

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE
LAKWOOD ADVISORY COMMISSION**

**May 5, 2021
@ 6:00 p.m.
VIRTUAL MEETING**

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AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER – Vice Chair Casey Hensley
2. ROLL CALL – Secretary Jamie Cornell
3. PUBLIC COMMENT
4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
 - April 7, 2021 Executive Committee Minutes
5. OLD BUSINESS - None
6. NEW BUSINESS
 - Sustainability Committee Proposals
 - Research solar energy implementation
 - Notifying and educating residents about pesticide reduction and xeriscaping
 - Feasibility of creating small-scale native plant garden designs

7. TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION – Peggy Ralph

- Document sharing discussion
- Looking at Lakewood articles about LAC
- Veteran's Memorial
- Ways to engage renters
- Speaker's Bureau
- Should ZOOM meetings have Closed Captioning?
- Citizen's Task Force
- Proposed Ad Hoc Committee on Retail Marijuana Sales in Lakewood
- Ad Hoc Municipal Broadband Committee

8. CITY CLERK'S REPORT – Bruce Roome

- Attendance Policy Resolution
- Committee Meeting Times
- Process for communication with Staff
- New Member Orientation

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Agenda Attachments:

- [April 7, 2021 Executive Committee Minutes](#)
- [Sustainability Proposals](#)
- [Proposed Ad Hoc Committee on Retail Marijuana Sales](#)
- [Attendance Policy Resolution](#)



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Advisory Commission

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LAKEWOOD ADVISORY COMMISSION
APRIL 7, 2021 @ 6:00 PM
MINUTES**

Item 1 - Call to Order

Chair Peggy Ralph called the virtual meeting to order at 6:06 p.m.

Item 2 - Roll Call

Commissioners Present: Ralph, Hensley, Cornell, Malandri, McBride

Absent: Andrea Gelfuso Goetz, Sustainability Chair

Staff Present: Bruce Roome, City Clerk

A total of 5 commissioners were present. A quorum was present.

Item 3 - Public Comment

Comments received via telephone:

None

Comments received via Lakewood Speaks:

None

Item 4 - Approval of Minutes

Voting

Commissioner McBride moved to approve the March 3, 2021 minutes. It was seconded

AYE: Commissioners McBride, Malandri, Cornell, Hensley, Chair Ralph

EXCUSED: Commissioner Gelfuso Goetz

Result

Approved 5 -0, the motion passed.

Item 5 - Old Business

Item 5A - April 21, 2021 Retreat Planning

The committee finalized the plans for the April 21, 2021 LAC Virtual Retreat.

Comments received via telephone:

None

Comments received via Lakewood Speaks:

None

Item 6 - New Business

Item 6A - Committee Updates

No reports were given

Item 8 - Adjourn

There being no further business to come before the Executive Committee, Chair Peggy Ralph adjourned the meeting at 7:19 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jamie Cornell, Secretary

Sustainability Proposals for May 5, 2021

- Proposal #1 - Research solar energy implementation options for City-owned facilities and residential, commercial and industrial properties based on solar programs in use in Lakewood and other Colorado cities. Recommend best practices, including grants and tax incentives, that build on and enhance the City's existing solar implementation efforts.
- Proposal #2 – Research ways the City of Lakewood could more actively inform residents about its current activities and success stories in pesticide reduction and xeriscaping. Research education and outreach methods including on-site signage, QR codes, neighborhood publications, flyers, etc., in addition to the signage, the City has already planned for Spring and Summer.
- Proposal #3 - Research the feasibility of creating small-scale native plant garden designs available for free to Lakewood residents, as well as a way to source the plants affordably within the community, possibly through collaboration with community gardens, senior living facilities, schools, volunteers, and other Lakewood organizations. The purpose of the Lakewood Native Garden proposal would be to educate Lakewood residents on the importance of providing pollinator and bird habitat, while offering actionable steps they can take within their own yards by planting a “Lakewood Garden.”

Lakewood City Council Ad Hoc committee:
Unintended consequences of retail cannabis sales

Background: The conversion of as many as ten medical marijuana dispensaries to retail marijuana stores in the city will increase revenue to the city through the differences in taxation and the expanded size of the proposed stores and resulting increase in sales. Changing demographics may also influence increased sales. Future city councils may allow additional stores.

The mayor and city council have responsibility for the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Lakewood. They also promote business development and expansion in the city. Each of these are impacted by marijuana use.

The following questions pose issues that could be looked at. It is not exhaustive. For some of these issues, data will likely only be available for the state as a whole, but data for the cities, like Denver, that have a several year history of recreational sales must be looked at.

Health –

What is the current status of the use and health consequences of marijuana in Lakewood? How are youth under 18 gaining access to marijuana and what are the health consequences to them? How is the dramatic increase in the THC potency of marijuana products affecting health? How would limits on THC potency lessen the negative consequences of marijuana use?

Safety

How is traffic safety being impacted and will be impacted by increased marijuana use in Lakewood? What is the level of criminal activity at and near marijuana stores? Do cases of domestic violence, violent assaults, murder, child abuse and neglect increase where chronic, heavy use of cannabis by residents occurs?

Welfare

How many families have chronic mental health problems due to cannabis use among members of the family? How many families have excessive health costs based on marijuana usage of a family member? How will innovations like home delivery of marijuana products affect availability to adolescents?

Businesses

How have small businesses been impacted by marijuana use when they employ teens and young adults to work as clerks, food servers, car washers, warehouse workers, and other jobs? How many adults are not hired by businesses because they have failed a drug test based on THC? How many adults work impaired and cause on-the-job accidents?

Two important information and data sources:

<https://marijuanahealthinfo.colorado.gov/> Colorado Department of Public Health and the Environment webpage

<https://www.thenmi.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/RMHIDTA-Marijuana-Report-2020-2.pdf> Title: The legalization of marijuana in Colorado: the impact, Volume 7, September 2020

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**A RESOLUTION
ADOPTING A POLICY REGARDING ACIC ATTENDANCE**

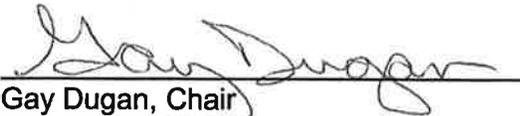
Whereas, the Advisory Commission for Inclusive Community (ACIC) is concerned about absenteeism and attendance of its members at Committee Meetings and Full Commission Meetings; and

Whereas, an ad hoc committee was created to draft proposal recommendations on how to address attendance issues of ACIC members; and

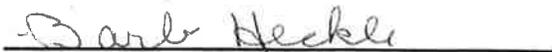
Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the ACIC will operate under the following guidelines:

1. That the ACIC Committees must keep accurate attendance records as an integral part of the monthly minutes.
2. It is the responsibility of the Committee Chairs to follow up on attendance records and attendance reporting should it become necessary.
3. Missing three consecutive meetings without notice is considered an attendance concern.
4. Any member who anticipates missing a meeting should contact the Committee Chair. This includes sub-committees, ad hoc committees and team meetings.
5. Attendance concerns by the Committee Chair should be in writing or email to ACIC staff after appropriate attempts at communication have been made with the member in question.
6. Any communication by the member, with the Committee Chair should be shared with the staff and ACIC Chair.
7. All ACIC members who can no longer fulfill their attendance, communication and participation obligations may resign. They may reapply for membership, if eligible, when their circumstances change.
8. If no communication with the Committee Chair is received, the ACIC staff will then attempt contact, in writing and by email, with the member.
9. The member is expected to respond to the staff letter in a period of two weeks' time.
10. If no response is received, the Committee Chair, after discussion with that committee, will recommend to the Executive Committee that the member be replaced based on non-attendance and non-participation.

INTRODUCED, READ AND ADOPTED by a vote of the majority at a regular meeting of the Advisory Commission for an Inclusive Community on October 15, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. at Lakewood City Hall, 480 South Allison Parkway, Lakewood, Colorado.


Gay Dugan, Chair

SECRETARY:


Barb Heckle

