

**MINUTES
OF THE
EMERGENCY MEETING
OF
LAKEWOOD CITY COUNCIL
HELD REMOTELY
DUE TO COVID-19
May 7, 2020
6:00 P.M.**

Emergency Meeting of the Lakewood City Council called to order at 6:05 PM by President O'Malley.

Present: Thomas R. Bullock III, Sarah Kepple, John Litten, Tess Neff, Daniel J. O'Malley, Tristan Rader, Jason Shachner

Also Present: Mayor George, Finance Director Rancatore, Development Officer Dan Wyman, Clerk Bach, Deputy Clerk Lascu, City Planner Katelyn Milius, Law Director Corrigan, Fire Chief Dunphy, Public Works Director Ducu, and members of the public

1. **RESOLUTION 2020-30** - A RESOLUTION to take effect immediately provided it receives the affirmative vote of at least two thirds of the members of Council, or otherwise to take effect and be in force after the earliest period allowed by law, authorizing and directing the Mayor to submit the Fiscal Year (FY) 2020 One-Year Action Plan of the FY 2020-2024 Five Year Consolidated Plan which includes dollar allocations and activities to be funded with federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG), and HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) resources, and any other entitlement funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), and all amendments thereto and all understandings and assurances contained therein, and incorporates the City's application to HUD for FY 2020 CDBG, ESG, and HOME funds and superseding Resolution No. 2019-13, adopted December 16, 2019. (*Deferred 5/4/20*)

President O'Malley kicked off the conversation, remarking on the two projects in the original HUD plan that were removed – Madison Park lighting and Clifton Prado Park redesign. Both projects were in Ward 4 and represented much hard work and anticipation. He noted that since this was first brought before Council on May 4th, he has had productive conversations with Planning and Public Works regarding the future of the projects. He expressed optimism that delaying redesign of Clifton Prado Park will ultimately allow for a more imaginative and enhanced final product. Planning Department made assurances that the extra time would be well spent engaging residents for feedback this fall and that the project could be completed by Spring

2021. Given this, he expressed agreement with putting these resources toward Kauffman Park this year.

Motion by President O'Malley, and seconded to adopt Resolution 2020-30.

Mayor George stated that was pleased with the outcome of these conversations.

Director Ducu explained to Council some of the difficulties of moving forward with the Clifton Prado project this year. He welcomed the opportunity for collaboration with resident, Council, and Planning in 2021 and apologized for not communicating these changes with Council earlier.

In response to questions by Council, Director Ducu also discussed the Madison Park lights projects. The lights are at the end of their 25-year life, however, they remain operational and safe. When the City sought an upgrade, the bid received was \$100,000 and the project budget was \$60,000. This project can be delayed until 2021.

President O'Malley expressed comfort with putting this project off until 2021.

Councilman Bullock stated that the additional time should allow for the City to double down on the Clifton Prado Park and create a high-quality public space. He spoke of the potential for the improvements to lift up the neighborhood.

President O'Malley expressed appreciation for the productive talks and stated that he is comfortable moving forward.

On the motion: A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Yeas: Bullock, Kepple, Litten, Neff, O'Malley, Rader, Shachner

Nays: none

Motion passed. Resolution 2020-30 adopted.

Motion by President O'Malley, seconded by Mr. Litten to adjourn.

All members voted in favor. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned: 6:20 PM

Approved: 5/18/2020

Maura M. Raab
CLERK

Daniel J. Litten
PRESIDENT