



September 24, 2015

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NOTICE

LAKWOOD CITY COUNCIL RETREAT

Notice is hereby given that the Lakewood City Council will be holding a Retreat on Saturday, October 3, 2015, at 8:30 a.m., at Lakewood City Hall, Conference Room 3A, 6000 Main Street SW, Lakewood, Washington.

The purpose of the Retreat is to review the Community Visioning Plan, State Legislative Agenda, Legislative Policy Manual and Federal priorities.

Alice M. Bush, MMC
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City of Lakewood

Conference Room 3A

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Call to Order

Review of Community Visioning Plan

(3) State Legislative Agenda, Legislative Policy Manual and Federal Priorities

Adjournment

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City Hall will be closed 15 minutes after adjournment of the meeting.



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Transportation Funding: I-5 JBLM Corridor Improvements

Lakewood requests that the state adopt a transportation revenue package that includes full funding for improvements to the Joint Base Lewis McChord I-5 Corridor (I-5/Mounts Rd Interchange on the south to the I-5/Bridgeport Interchange on the north) to relieve congestion and allow for the future economic development of the City of Lakewood and the surrounding communities. The City also requests that a transportation revenue package include a direct distribution of funding to cities for local street maintenance and operations.

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Capital Funding Request: Springbrook Park Phase III, Neighborhood Connection

Springbrook is one of the most economically disadvantaged areas in Lakewood. It is located in the southeast corner of Lakewood just outside the Joint Base Lewis McChord Field gate and is isolated from the remainder of Lakewood by I-5 and Clover Creek. Aside from this project, there are no open spaces, or community centers in this area. Lakewood requests \$300,000 for Springbrook Park Phase III. This phase will include a small open space coupled with a 175-foot pedestrian bridge over Clover Creek near Springbrook Park to allow this geographically isolated area to easily access Springbrook Park.

Point Defiance Bypass Rail Safety

The Point Defiance Bypass Project will re-route passenger trains through south Tacoma, Lakewood, and DuPont at the cost of \$89 million. Once completed, the project will bring a total of seven daily round trip passenger trains through Lakewood intersections, with an average crossing time of 7 seconds per intersection, 45 seconds total with guard rails, and a maximum speed of 79 mph. This routing bifurcates the community and negatively affects residents and businesses by generating additional traffic congestion, increasing noise and vibrations, and impacting economic development. Lakewood requests \$4.6 million be appropriated to WSDOT-Rail to fund rail safety improvements in Lakewood.

Maintain Funding for the Western State Hospital Community Policing Program

The 2013-15 State Operating Budget contains \$462,000 for a highly effective neighborhood policing team to respond to hundreds of calls for police service at Western State Hospital. The City of Lakewood requests that this funding remain included in the budget, and that it be re-appropriated in the 2015-17 Operating Budget. The City also requests that the funding amount appropriated to the community policing program be re-assessed if Western State Hospital expands.



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PUBLIC SAFETY

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Traffic Enforcement Cameras

The Legislature has authorized local government to use traffic enforcement cameras in limited situations, including red light enforcement at certain intersections and speed control in school zones. Traffic enforcement cameras have proven to be a success in reducing instances of speeding and violation of traffic signals. The City supports the use of traffic enforcement cameras. The City also supports legislation allowing images from traffic enforcement cameras to be used by law enforcement in criminal cases if there is probable cause.

Police Body Cameras

Advancements in technology now enable law enforcement agencies to equip their police officers with body-worn cameras. However, current state laws around public disclosure impede the use of this technology. The city supports legislation that removes barriers to the use of police body cameras.

Permanent Funding for the Western State Hospital Community Policing Program

Since 2007 the City has operated a highly effective neighborhood policing team to respond to hundreds of calls for police service at Western State Hospital. The City of Lakewood requests permanent funding for this program at a level that covers the full cost of the program. The City also requests that the funding amount appropriated to the community policing program be re-assessed if Western State Hospital expands.

Jail and Court Costs

The City supports legislative proposals that reduce jail and court costs, and maintain the City's flexibility in providing jail and court services. The City supports additional funding for local grants through the Office of Public Defense, and clarifying local authority to set standards for public defenders. The City also supports maintaining the flexibility to select the most appropriate manner in which to provide jail services.

Release of Offenders to County of Origin

The City supported legislation that expanded Department of Correction's "county of origin" policy that sends offenders back to their county of origin upon release, to also include offenders released from the Special Commitment Center operating by the Department of Social



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GENERAL GOVERNMENT

McCleary Decision

The City encourages the state to satisfy the McCleary Supreme Court decision, and develop a plan on how to fully fund education by 2018. In doing so, the City requests that the Legislature recognize quality schools also need to be located in quality communities. As such, fully funding education should not be done at the expense of funding allocated to local governments.

Public Records & Open Meetings

The City respects the right of the public to have access to legitimate public records and documents. The City believes its ability to recover the costs of searching for, gathering and reviewing requested documents is also in the public's interest. The City supports reasonable reforms to the public records act. The City opposes requiring the recording of executive sessions or other restrictions on legitimate uses of executive sessions.

Regulating Enhanced Service Facilities

In 2013, legislation passed allowing adult family homes to transition to enhanced service facilities (ESFs). Because of the City's proximity to Western State Hospital, it has a significant number of adult family homes that under this new law could be transitioned into ESFs. For example, the neighborhood of Oakbrook, directly north of Western State Hospital, has 26 adult family homes. ESFs are intended to serve those that have greater needs than those in an adult family home. The City is concerned that ESFs should not be located in residential areas in the same manner as adult family homes. This last interim, DSHS completed rulemaking on the regulations that Enhanced Service Facilities must follow. The City supports legislative changes that impose greater regulation on ESFs than is included in the adopted rules.



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~~SR 167/SR 509 Puget Sound Gateway Project~~

~~The City of Lakewood supports completing State Route 167 by adding the remaining six miles between Puyallup (SR 161) and Tacoma (SR 509) originally envisioned in the highway's design 30 years ago.~~

~~Capital Funding Request: Towne Green~~

~~During the 2014 legislative session, the City requested \$500,000 for the Lakewood Towne Green, which was proposed to be included as part of a development project at the Towne Center. The 2014 House Proposed Capital Budget proposal included \$250,000 for the Towne Green, but a final capital budget was not adopted. It's now uncertain whether the project is ripe for receiving funding because progress with the developer is moving slower than anticipated. The City expects to pursue this funding request once an agreement is reached with our developer partner.~~

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The City supports cities' ability to appoint a municipal court judge and to maintain courts and supports further technical and financial assistance for the administration of municipal courts.

Traffic Enforcement Cameras

The Legislature has authorized local government to use traffic enforcement cameras in limited situations, including red light enforcement at certain intersections and speed control in school zones. Traffic enforcement cameras have proven to be a success in reducing instances of speeding and violation of traffic signals. The City supports the use of traffic enforcement cameras. The City also supports legislation allowing images from traffic enforcement cameras to be used by law enforcement in criminal cases if there is probable cause.

[Police Body Cameras](#)



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Advancements in technology now enable law enforcement agencies to equip their police officers with body-worn cameras. However, current state laws around public disclosure impede the use of this technology. The city supports legislation that removes barriers to the use of police body cameras.

Permanent Funding for the Western State Hospital Community Policing Program

Since 2007 the City has operated a highly effective neighborhood policing team to respond to hundreds of calls for police service at Western State Hospital. The City of Lakewood requests permanent funding for this program at a level that covers the full cost of the program. The City also requests that the funding amount appropriated to the community policing program be re-assessed if Western State Hospital expands.

Jail and Court Costs

The City supports legislative proposals that reduce jail and court costs, and maintain the City's flexibility in providing jail and court services. The City supports additional funding for local grants through the Office of Public Defense, and clarifying local authority to set standards for public defenders. The City also supports maintaining the flexibility to select the most appropriate manner in which to provide jail services.

Expansion of "Fair Share" to Special Commitment Center Offenders

The City supports legislation expanding the current "fair share" law, which requires Department of Corrections to send prisoners/offenders back to their county of origin when they are released from the Special Commitment Center run by the Department of Social and Health Services. Currently, a disproportionate number of those being released from the Special Commitment Center are residing in Pierce County. Since the beginning of 2012, 41 detainees have been released, and 15 of them are in Pierce County.

Release of Offenders to County of Origin

The City supported legislation that expanded Department of Correction's "county of origin" policy that sends offenders back to their county of origin upon release, to also include offenders released from the Special Commitment Center operating by the Department of Social and Human Services. The City will continue to monitor the effectiveness of the expansion of this policy.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

McCleary Decision

The City encourages the state to satisfy the McCleary Supreme Court decision, and develop a plan on how to fully fund education by 2018. In doing so, the City requests that the Legislature recognize quality schools also need to be located in quality communities. As such, fully funding education should not be done at the expense of funding allocated to local governments.



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Public Records & Open Meetings

The City respects the right of the public to have access to legitimate public records and documents. The City believes its ability to recover the costs of searching for, gathering and reviewing requested documents is also in the public's interest. The City supports reasonable reforms to the public records act. The City opposes requiring the recording of executive sessions or other restrictions on legitimate uses of executive sessions.

Regulating Enhanced Service Facilities

In 2013, legislation passed allowing adult family homes to transition to enhanced service facilities (ESFs). Because of the City's proximity to Western State Hospital, it has a significant number of adult family homes that under this new law could be transitioned into ESFs. For example, the neighborhood of Oakbrook, directly north of Western State Hospital, has 26 adult family homes. ESFs are intended to serve those that have greater needs than those in an adult family home. The City is concerned that ESFs should not be located in residential areas in the same manner as adult family homes. This last interim, DSHS completed rulemaking on the regulations that Enhanced Service Facilities must follow. The City supports legislative changes that impose greater regulation on ESFs than is included in the adopted rules.

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Federal Priorities



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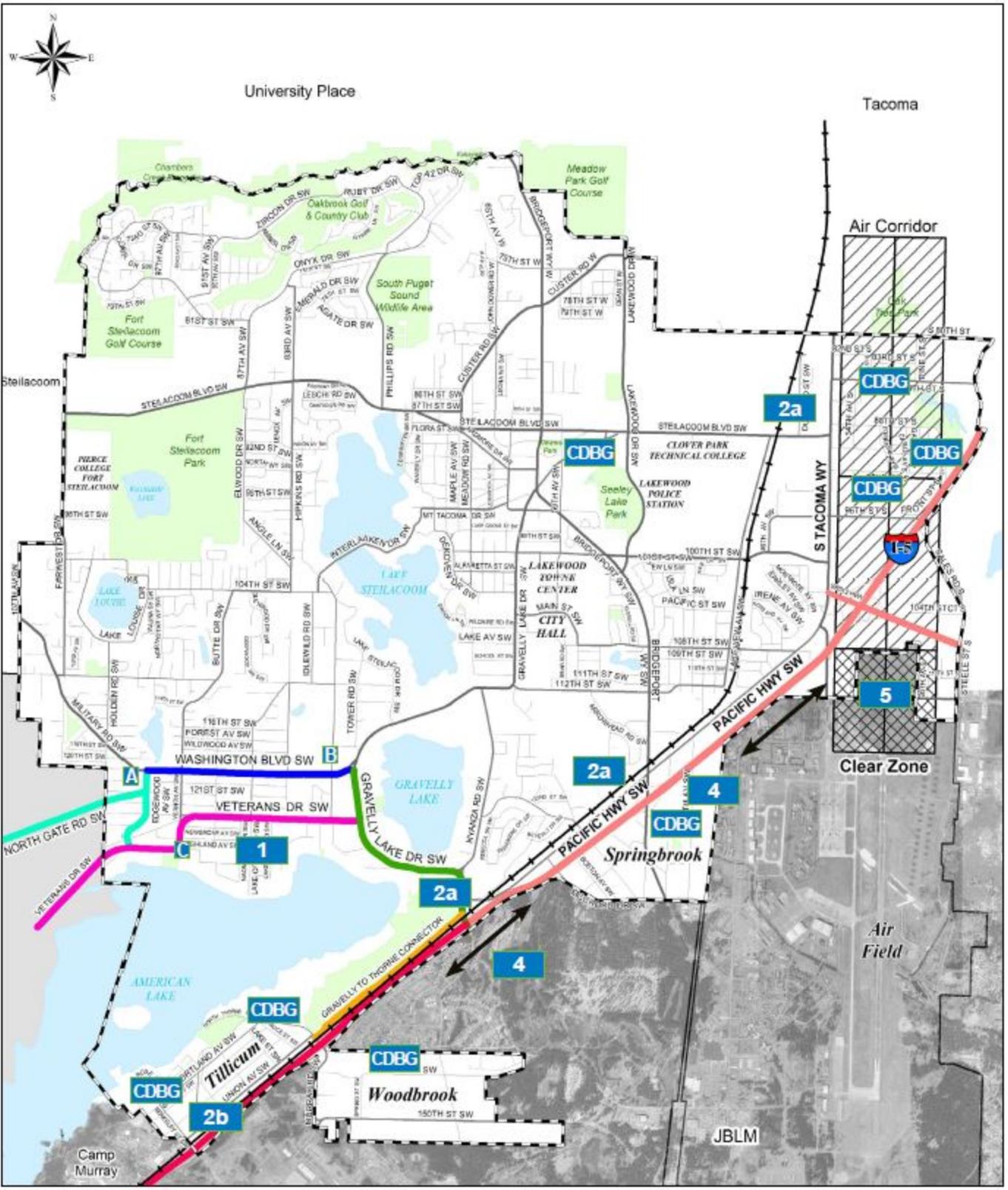
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City of Lakewood Federal Priorities

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Federal Transportation and Economic Development Priorities

- The City supports permanent authorization of the TIGER program
- The City supports a long-term reauthorization of the Transportation bill and urges Congress to forgo continued short-term extensions of MAP-21
- The City supports the COMMUTE Act by Rep. Denny Heck that would provide the Office of Economic Adjustment (OEA) at the Department of Defense the authority to grant awards for transportation infrastructure that serve military facilities. Additionally, the City supports inclusion of this bill in the Defense Authorization bill. Example projects:
 - A** North Gate Road and Edgewood Avenue
 - B** Washington Boulevard Southwest
 - C** Veterans Drive at American Lake Park
- The City supports creating new programs that would provide competitive funding opportunities to local governments. Specifically, the City supports:
 - The addition of Transportation Oriented Development projects within the Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (TIFIA) loan program. Additionally, the City supports loan authority in the TIFIA program equal to what was authorized in the MAP-21 program
 - The City supports the Innovation in Surface Transportation Act (ISTA) proposal in the House and the Booker/Wecker proposal in the Senate to help local communities access federal transportation funding.
 - The City supports the TIGER-CUBS bill by Rep. Rick Larsen and urges it be expanded to qualify cities of up to 100,000 in population size.
- The City supports an expansion of OEA's authority to provide sustainable funding in communities with a significant military presence.

AMTRAK Rail Safety and Lakewood AMTRAK Station

Basic Safety Enhancements

2a

- Current Status: Washington State Legislature provided \$2 million for public safety improvements, including safety fencing, security cameras and detection equipment

2b

Lakewood AMTRAK Station

- The City supports the creation of a Lakewood AMTRAK station adjacent to the JBLM gates that would serve more than 200,000 people.
- JBLM has written a letter of support
- Creating a station requires a Station Assessment Study to be done by AMTRAK
- There is currently a Sound Transit rail station operating in Lakewood that will share a track with the planned AMTRAK route. This station may be of near-sufficient standards to serve AMTRAK without major costs or investments

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Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME

- CDBG funding has dropped from \$943,000 in 2001 to \$467,748 in 2015
- HOME funding has dropped from a high of \$513,009 in 2001 to \$197,270 in 2015
- Lakewood has helped families fix up nearly 150 homes at a cost of nearly \$6 million since 2000 coupled with basic physical infrastructure improvements in needy neighborhoods

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I-5 JBLM Corridor Project

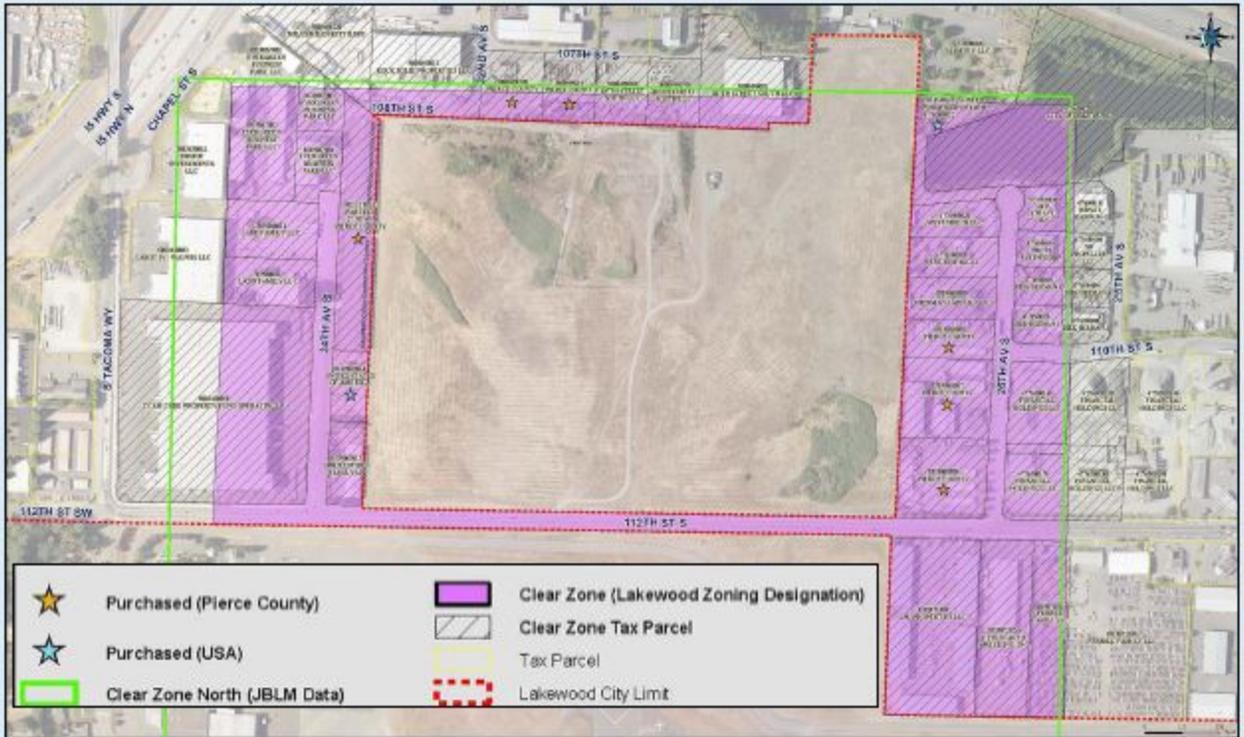
- Current Status: The I-5/JBLM corridor is fully funded in the transportation revenue package adopted by the Washington State Legislature. The City will work with WSDOT to ensure timely progress of the project. The City will continue to advocate for any appropriations or policy changes needed to advance the project in the best interests of our community and region.

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JBLM Clear Zone

- The Army owns and operates Joint Base Lewis-McChord (JBLM), including the facilities associated with the former McChord Air Force Base now under joint base structure.
- The Air Force has a mandate to acquire property within landing strip clear zones (3,000 feet by 3,000 feet), which includes manufacturing and light industrial properties in the City.
- Both the Army and Air Force acknowledge the need to acquire this land but lack the funding to do so. The estimated cost is \$50 million.
- The City is a willing partner to fulfill the mandate and urges the congressional delegation to support future 020 requests from the Department of Defense to facilitate this land acquisition.

JBLM Clear Zone



Status of Clear Zone Properties

	Acreage	Parcels
Total	65	66
Purchased by Pierce County	6.6	32
Purchased by U.S. Government	5.4	2
Subtotal	12	34
Remaining	53	32
Estimated Value for Acquisition and Business Relocation	\$43 million to \$50 million	

Lakewood Demographics

- Population 58,360
- Median Age 37.2 years
- Median Household Income \$43,362
- Average Household Income \$60,497
- Average Family Income \$77,749
- Average Income-Married Couples \$94,398
- Total Housing Units 27,023

JBLM in the Community

- Service Members 40,976
- Family Members 47,303
- Civilian Employees 17,521
- Military Retirees 32,064