

**City of Langley  
Council Meeting – Study Session Minutes  
November 16, 2009**

ORIGINAL

City Hall Meeting Room 6:30 PM  
Council Workshop 4:00 PM

Mayor Paul Samuelson called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. The flag salute was lead by Councilmember Bob Waterman. Present were City Council Members Robert Gilman, Russell Sparkman, Rene Neff, Bob Waterman and Jim Recupero. Also present were Director of Planning, Larry Cort; Director of Public Works, Challis Stringer; Building Official, Bob Snyder and Director of Finance/City Clerk Debbie Mahler.

**MOTION:** To approve the consent agenda. Motion – Waterman , 2<sup>nd</sup> – Recupero. Motion carried.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

- a. Council Meeting Minutes – November 2, 2009
- b. Claims Warrants Nos. 25775-25814 in the amount of \$38,742.02
- c. Payroll Warrants # 25642-25669 (10/15/09) in the amount of \$53,792.95 and # 25745-25769 (10/31/09) in the amount of \$52,214.91
- d. Approval of Agenda

**MAYOR'S REPORT**

- a. Mayor Samuelson read a proclamation declaring November 27, 2009 as Dr. Victor B. Scheffer Day. That is Dr. Scheffer's 103<sup>rd</sup> birthday. He is an internationally recognized mammalogist, environmentalist and conservationist and resides n Langley.
- b. Vicky Welfare, Langley Librarian reported that Sno-Isle's library levy has passed, so existing service levels will stay in place, although some cuts in expenditures have been made. DVD shelves are being changed to genres to make them easier to find. The Sno-Isle website has good information and many links to pertinent information.
- c. Sherry Mays, Executive Director of the Langley Chamber reported that the "Home for the Holidays" extravaganza begins with the Christmas lighting on Nov 28<sup>th</sup> and then a holiday parade on December 5<sup>th</sup>. Councilman Bob Waterman is the Grand Marshall. Sunday is the South Whidbey Lodging Tour. Other activities are planned for the month. Wednesday the 18<sup>th</sup> of November, Chamber members can get a free chair massage at the Chamber office.

## CITIZEN COMMENTS

There were no comments at this time

## PUBLIC HEARING – 2010 General Fund Revenues / 2010 Budget

Mayor Samuelson opened the public hearing at 6:51 PM. Finance Director Debbie Mahler explained the main revenues of the general fund and then gave a power-point presentation on the budget for the coming year. Mayor Samuelson and Debbie Mahler answered questions from the Council and audience. The hearing was closed at 7:48 PM.

**MOTION:** To continue the public hearing at the December 7<sup>th</sup> meeting. Motion – Gilman, 2<sup>nd</sup> – Recupero. Motion passed with full approval.

**MOTION:** To waive the first reading and adopt Ordinance No. 927 Fixing the amount of Ad Valorem Taxes to be levied by the City of Langley for collection in 2010. Motion - Waterman, 2<sup>nd</sup> - Gilman. Motion carried unanimously.

## ACTION ITEMS

**MOTION:** To confirm the Mayor's appointment of Janet Ploof as an alternate member of the Design Review Board. Motion - Sparkman, 2<sup>nd</sup> - Neff. Motion passed with all in favor.

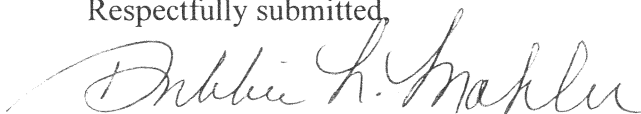
**MOTION:** To authorize the Mayor to sign the City Attorney Retainer Agreement for 2010. Motion - Waterman, 2<sup>nd</sup> - Recupero. Motion was unanimously approved.

## STUDY SESSION ITEMS

a. *Land division moratorium – further action discussion.* A public hearing and action will be taken on December 7<sup>th</sup> to let the moratorium expire, continue it in its current form or continue in a revised form. Code changes are almost complete and a public information and outreach process will start in December to explain the changes. The Planning Department recommends extending for a maximum of four months. All code changes should be complete and the public outreach program done in that timeline.

**MOTION:** To adjourn the meeting at 8:17 PM. Motion - Waterman, 2<sup>nd</sup> - Recupero . Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Debbie L. Mahler, Director of Finance/City Clerk