

**City of Langley
Council Meeting Minutes
October 4, 2010**

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 Robert Gilman. Present were City Council Members Robert Gilman, Russell Sparkman, Rene Neff, and Fran Abel. Bob Waterman was absent. Also present were Director of Planning, Larry Cort; Challis Stringer, Public Works Director; and Director of Finance Debbie Mahler.

MOTION: To excuse the absence of Councilman Waterman. Motion - Neff, 2nd - Gilman. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: To approve the consent agenda as amended. Motion – Sparkman, 2nd – Neff. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Council Meeting Minutes – September 20, 2010
- b. Claims Warrants Nos. 26980-26995 in the amount of \$16,606.19
- c. Approval of Agenda

MAYOR'S REPORT

Langley Clinic – Whidbey General Hospital is proposing to close the Langley Clinic and merge its services with the Freeland Clinic (South Whidbey Healthcare). Dr. Steve Shapiro who along with Dr. Doug Allderdice, owns the building and started their practice there thirty-four years ago, would like to see a medical practice remain there. He would welcome a city committee to look for new medical providers. He also suggested a community appeal to the WGH Board of Commissioners against the closing.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Fran Abel will be attending Association of Washington Cities training in roles and responsibilities of Council members tomorrow. Robert Gilman reported that the Langley Electeds website has been up and running for a week now. There are already 52 subscribers to the blog. Robert also reported to the Council on the research work done by himself and Fran Abel on Council Committees. He recommended several options to help the Council improve its efficiency, effectiveness and quality of work. One option the Council discussed was having a pool of citizen researchers that would have an initial training in using the resources of Municipal Research Services Center, who could be assigned to do research on certain topics and make recommendations to Council.

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DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Larry Cort reported that the Planning Advisory Board is going to be looking at the new draft Capital Improvement Plan and will hold a public hearing on it and then make recommendations to the City Council.

Challis Stringer thanked Fran Abel for her work on the landscaping plans for the CMA Park & Ride project.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Leanne Finley stated, in reply to Councilman Gilman's report on Council process that she thinks Council needs to use staff as researchers as they are the experts and that is what they are paid for, as opposed to research from untrained citizens. She thought there is an AG opinion regarding citizen committees that she will try to find.

NEW BUSINESS

MOTION: To authorize the Mayor to sign the Agreement between the City of Langley and the Sandy Point Owners Association for water service for five years commencing on November 2, 2010. This is a renewal of a long-standing agreement. Challis explained the few changes to the agreement. Motion - Neff, 2nd - Gilman. Motion was granted with all in favor.

MOTION: To authorize the Mayor to sign the contract between the City of Langley and the State Department of Ecology for \$50,000 in grant funding to update the City's Shoreline Master Program. Motion - Gilman, 2nd - Neff. Motion was unanimously approved.

MOTION: To waive the first reading and adopt Resolution No. 725 Amending the 2011-2016 Transportation Improvement Plan. Motion - Sparkman, 2nd - Neff. Motion carried without opposition.

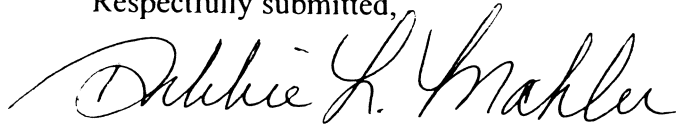
Discussion

CMA parking project – Challis reported most of the engineering and landscape plans are complete and will go to the Design Review Board for approval in October.

Once it is approved, the City goes out to bid on construction. The Council will award the bid and then construction will commence.

MOTION: To adjourn the meeting at 8:05 PM. Motion – Sparkman, 2nd – Abel. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Debbie L. Mahler".

Debbie L. Mahler, Director of Finance/City Clerk