

## Langley City Council Workshop Minutes

September 18, 2015

Mayor McCarthy opened the budget workshop at 1 PM. Present were: Council Members Thomas Gill, Jim Sundberg, Robin Black-Callison, Bruce Allen and Rene Neff. Also present were City Department heads Michael Davolio, Stan Berryman, Chief Marks and Debbie Mahler.

Debbie Mahler, Finance Director went over two different versions of fiscal policies and mission statements for the budget. Her recommendation was to use the simpler version for the 2016 budget. Council agreed. Debbie went over current financial reports and then gave an accounting of the Capital Reserve Fund and the Utility Reserve funds, their purposes and projected year end balances. She then went through the current capital improvement plan (CIP) and the proposed capital improvements and their possible funding. Debbie explained that any new capital improvement or infrastructure projects must have a source of funding either from reserves or by grants or loans and must be included in the CIP. Possible projects were discussed briefly.

Mayor McCarthy discussed his list of strategic priorities. He listed major issues with numbered priorities, other priority projects in process, remaining Mayor's term priorities and emerging needs/priorities. After discussion, some of these priorities were moved and some crossed off as completed. The Mayor then went through his list of 2016 budget assumptions and his interests for the coming year.

Council Members will be putting their budget items together before the next budget workshop which was scheduled for September 15<sup>th</sup> at 1 PM. The meeting was adjourned at 3 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie L. Mahler, Director of Finance/City Clerk