

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, JANUARY 19, 2010
CITY HALL
22710 E. COUNTRY VISTA DRIVE
7:00 P.M.**

INVOCATION

Given by Council Member Langford

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Mayor Van Orman, City Council and Staff

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Van Orman called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Pro Tem Crump
Council Member Langford
Council Members Schuler
Council Member Beckett
Council Member Owens
Council Member Romney

City Attorney, Sean Boutz
Ann Swenson, City Clerk
Doug Smith, Community Development Director
Brian Asmus, Chief of Police
Andrew Staples, City Engineer

AGENDA APPROVAL

Council Member Schuler moved to approve the Agenda, seconded by Council Member Langford. Motion carried unanimously.

MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

Council Member Owens provided a Public Safety Committee report. A grant proposal is being worked on that may allow the City to get the fencing that is needed at the back of the police facility.

At 7:08 p.m. Mayor Pro Tem Crump arrived to the meeting.

Council Member Langford provided a Finance Committee report. The committee discussed phasing out the 2009 methodology of the voucher system and phasing in the 2010 check system. These changes will streamline paperwork. Streamlining of the voucher review process was also discussed.

Council Member Owens reported AWC's City Legislative Action Conference meeting will be held in Olympia on January 27th. She is willing to attend since she will be in Olympia during that time, however, does not want to pay for registration. Clerk Swenson will look into whether that is possible.

Mayor Van Orman reported she met with Governor Gregoire during last Friday's Northeast Mayors Association meeting. Mayor Van Orman said Governor Gregoire spoke about three different bills that will be introduced to the legislature that will provide the City more flexibility. Mayor Van Orman said an increased fee for 9-1-1 service is being proposed, which will change from 50¢ to 70¢. There are also changes to the current Transportation Benefit District legislation, and street utility funding is being introduced during the short session.

ACTION ITEMS

Consent Agenda: Council Member Langford moved to approve the Consent Agenda, which consisted of the January 5, 2010 City Council Minutes, as well as vouchers in the amount of \$109,438.11, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Crump. Motion passed unanimously. Voucher check sequences were: 12108 through 12144 and 12300 through 12330.

Acceptance of Rocky Hill Park Phase 2 Bid: City Engineer, Andrew Staples, reported 10 responsive bids were received for construction of phase 2 of Rocky Hill Park. He said the bid award includes everything on the site, with the exception of restrooms and play equipment. Those amenities will be bid through a co-operative contract the city has with the state. Council Member Owens moved to accept the lowest responsive bid, which was from Bacon Concrete, Inc. in the amount of \$375,852.19, seconded by Council Member Schuler. Motion passed unanimously.

Appointment of Liberty Lake Municipal Library Board Member: Mayor Van Orman reported two applications were received for the vacant position on the Liberty Lake Municipal Library Board. She chose to appoint Jon Seubert to fill the vacancy, and requested Council confirmation of her appointment. Council Member Langford moved to confirm Mayor Van Orman's appointment of Mr. Seubert to the Liberty Lake Municipal Library Board, seconded by Council Member Owens. Motion carried unanimously. The other applicant will be asked to volunteer with Friends of the Library.

Appointment of Salary Commission: Mayor Van Orman reminded Council Members that Ordinance No. 176, which was adopted last year, established a Salary Commission. The Commission will be comprised of Liberty Lake residents who are responsible for setting the salary for the Mayor and City Council members. She reported three applications for the Salary Commission were received, and she chose to appoint those applicants to form the Salary Commission. She requested Council confirmation of her appointments. Council Member Owens moved to confirm the appointment of Donald Millikan and Peggy Self to each serve a four-year term, from 2010-2014, and Wadie Elaimy to serve a two-year from 2010-2012. Council Member Langford seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

The Liberty Lake Splash Advertising Contract: After discussions regarding the City never having had an advertising contract with the *Splash*, the intent of the contract, and the discount that would be provided by the contract, Mayor Pro Tem Crump moved to approve The Liberty Lake Splash Advertising Contract, seconded by Council Member Schuler. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION

Ann Swenson, City Clerk, read Resolution No. 10-137 into the record, adopting the Spokane County Regional 10-year plan to end homelessness (The Road Home) and regional homelessness program.

Mayor Pro Tem Crump moved to adopt Resolution No. 10-137, seconded by Council Member Langford. After a brief discussion about the options to join Spokane County in homelessness prevention or to move forward locally with establishing the City's own prevention program, as well as costs affiliated with the program, Mayor Van Orman called for the vote. Motion carried unanimously.

WORKSHOP DISCUSSIONS

Mayor Van Orman reminded Council Members that the Spokane Regional Council of Governments will be holding its meeting February 26, 2010 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the Spokane County Fair & Expo Center.

UNFINISHED / NEW BUSINESS

Interview of City Council Applicants: Mayor Van Orman reviewed the interview process for the City Council applicants. She introduced the City Council applicants and then drew names to establish the sequence of the interviews. At 7:51 p.m., she called for a brief recess and reconvened the meeting at 7:57 p.m. Interviews were then conducted in the following order:

- Roxanne Grimm
- Cristella Kaminskas
- Kenneth Thompson
- Larry Laux

At the conclusion of candidate interviews, with all Council Members present, at 9:40 p.m., Mayor Van Orman called adjournment into Executive Session as per RCW 42.30.110(h) to discuss candidate qualifications. Mayor Van Orman called the meeting back to order at 10:00 p.m. At that time, Mayor Pro Tem Crump moved to extend the meeting for up to 10 minutes after 10:00 p.m. to enable the votes, the discussion, and public comment. Council Member Langford seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Mayor Van Orman then opened the floor to receive nominations. Council Member Owens nominated Cristella Kaminskas, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Crump. Council Member Schuler nominated Larry Laux, seconded by Council Member Langford. Mayor Van Orman called for the vote. Council Members Romney, Beckett, Owens, and

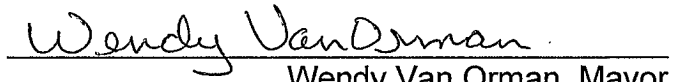
Langford voted for Cristella Kaminskas; Mayor Pro Tem Crump and Council Member Schuler voted for Larry Laux.

Mayor Van Orman congratulated Cristella Kaminskas and, in closing, she and the Council Members expressed their thanks and appreciation to each of the candidates for their applications.

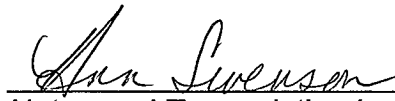
ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:06 p.m.

These minutes are approved February 2, 2010.



Wendy Van Orman, Mayor
City of Liberty Lake



Notes and Transcription by Ann Swenson, City Clerk. This Council meeting was also audio taped until disconnected as indicated above. Anyone desiring to listen to the recording may contact the City Clerk.