

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
December 22, 2009

A. Call to Order – Pledge of Allegiance Mayor Gainer called the Regular City Council meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

B. Roll Call – Excused Absences Councilmembers present included Councilmember Nixon, Councilmember Overhauser, Councilmember Huff, Councilmember Stockton, Councilmember Trulove, and Councilmember McKeehan. Staff members present included Ms. Fisher, Ms. Niemeier, Mr. Smith, Mr. Jennings, Ms. MacDonald, Mr. Ableman, Mr. Noland, Mr. Winters, and Mr. Schuller. Mayor Gainer stated that Councilmember Mather requested to be excused due to personal business. Councilmember Huff moved to approve the request. Councilmember Stockton seconded. Carried unanimously.

C. Minutes of the Regular City Council meeting of December 8, 2009 were approved as distributed.

D. Claims and Vouchers nos. 101677 through 101813 in the amount of \$855,478.07 were approved as read.

E. Claims for Damages None

F. Small Contracts None

G. Information Items Councilmember Trulove presented Councilmember Huff with a plaque for 16 years of service. He presented Mayor Gainer with a plaque for his work as mayor.

H. Appointments None

I. Citizen Comments Bob Evans, Vice President of Sunshine Disposal, stated that they have been negotiating contracts for 43 years and this is the most unique and unusual negotiation he has been a part of. He stated that you generally lose contracts for poor service or cost, but that did not happen. The City Administrator and staff negotiated a fair contract and Sunshine met every one of the demands. A good contract was rejected. They have been badmouthed in the City of Spokane. They will do what they have to do to get the city through the transition.

J. Action Items None

K. Council Reports Councilmember Overhauser thanked everyone. Councilmember Huff stated that he enjoyed his 16 years. He tried to represent the citizens. Councilmember Stockton thanked Councilmember Huff and Mayor Gainer. He wished everyone happy holidays. Councilmember Trulove wished everyone a great year. Councilmember McKeehan stated that he had a great 12 years working with Councilmember Huff and four years with Mayor Gainer. He will miss them both.

L. Staff Reports Ms. Fisher thanked Councilmember Huff for working with her the past two years. He will be missed. She thanked Mayor Gainer for the opportunity and wished everyone happy holidays.

M. Mayor's Report Mayor Gainer thanked everyone for the last four years. He stated that the city is in good hands. He wished Councilmember Trulove the best. He thanked the Council and wished everyone happy holidays.

N. Executive Session None

O. Adjournment Councilmember Huff moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember McKeehan seconded. Carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 6:12 p.m.

City Clerk

Mayor