

CITY OF PULLMAN
COUNCIL CHAMBERS

COUNCIL MEETING
AGENDA

FEBRUARY 2, 2010
7:30 p.m.

City Motto: HIGH Tech, HIGHER Education, HIGHEST Quality of Life

City Mission Statement: The mission of the City of Pullman is to provide the highest quality of life through essential infrastructure, public safety, recreation, and welcoming growth within the constraints of fiscally responsible government.

The Pullman City Council welcomes you to tonight's meeting. The Council appreciates and encourages public participation. For regular agenda items, an opportunity for public comment is usually provided after the staff report. However, the formality of procedures varies with the purpose and subject of the agenda item; therefore, the Mayor may exercise discretion in deciding when to allow public comment during the course of the proceedings and limitations will be placed on the time allowed for comments. Citizens wishing to comment on business which is not on the agenda will be provided the opportunity to do so under NEW BUSINESS. If you plan to address the Council, you will find a list of "Tips for Addressing the Council" on the public information table in the City Council Chambers. Thank you for your interest in City government.

A. Roll Call: _____ Francis Benjamin _____ Barney Waldrop
 _____ Keith Bloom _____ Nathan Weller
 _____ Jeff Hawbaker _____ Pat Wright
 _____ Bill Paul

B. Announcements

C. Employee Recognition

D. Stormwater Report

E. Election of Mayor Pro Tempore and Alternate Mayor Pro Tempore

F. Consent Agenda

The items listed under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine in nature and will be enacted by a single motion of the Council without separate discussion. If separate discussion is desired, that item may be removed from the Consent Agenda and placed on the Regular Agenda by Council action.

Motions

1. A motion to approve Accounts Payable Checks, Payroll Checks, and Electronic Transfers for February, 2010.
2. A motion to approve a tourism grant submitted by the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee.

Resolutions

3. Resolution No. R-8-10 - A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF PULLMAN AND PULLMAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FOR THE PURPOSE OF TOURIST AND CONVENTION PROMOTION.
4. Two resolutions authorizing leases of city properties.
 - a. Resolution No. R-9-10 - A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH DARIN V. AND BETHANY D. JOHNSON FOR THE CITY-OWNED HOUSE AT 630 NW GUY STREET.
 - b. Resolution No. R-10-10 - A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH JASON A. AND SHANELL M. RADTKE FOR THE CITY-OWNED HOUSE AT 1080 NW GUY STREET.

G. Regular Agenda

Resolutions

5. Resolution No. R-11-10 - A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF PULLMAN AND DESIGN WEST ARCHITECTS, P.A. FOR THE PURPOSE OF COMPLETING THE ERD EXPANSION PROJECT.

Discussions

6. Whitman County Solid Waste Presentation by Mark Storey
7. 2010 Goal Setting

H. New Business

Members of the public may bring items of new business to the attention of the Council under this agenda item. However, we strongly encourage advising the Mayor or City Supervisor of your intention prior to the meeting to ensure the item is properly an item of new business and, if not, if the matter could be addressed in some other manner.

I. Tentative Council Agenda for February 9, 2010 - Canceled

Tentative Council Agenda for Special Meeting on February 10,
2010 Joint Meeting with ASWSU

Tentative Board of Adjustment Agenda for February 15, 2010
Canceled

Tentative Planning Commission Agenda for February 24, 2010
No Business at this time

THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS ARE ACCESSIBLE TO PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES. PERSONS REQUIRING SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS, SHOULD CONTACT THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT BEFORE 5:00 P.M. THE MONDAY PRECEDING THE COUNCIL MEETING. THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT IS LOCATED ON THE FIRST FLOOR OF CITY HALL, 325 SE PARADISE STREET, PULLMAN, WA 99163. TELEPHONE NUMBER 338-3209 or 338-3208, FAX NUMBER 334-2751, ADD NUMBER 7-1-1.



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
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MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM:  John Sherman, City Supervisor

RE: Employee Recognition

DATE: January 29, 2010

At Tuesday night's City Council meeting we will conduct our annual employee recognition. Employees will be recognized who, in 2009, completed the following years of service with the city of Pullman: five years, ten years, fifteen years, twenty years, twenty-five, thirty years, and forty years.



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MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: ^{AS} John Sherman, City Supervisor

RE: Report on Stormwater Phase II Designation

DATE: January 29, 2010

At the Association of Washington Cities (AWC) City Legislative Action Conference in Olympia we made several attempts to again seek relief from the expensive and onerous provisions of the Phase II Stormwater Permit requirements.

On Tuesday, January 26, 2010, we were able to testify in support of House Bill 2839. Attached is a copy of the written testimony we provided to the House Ecology and Parks Committee. We want to express our sincere appreciation to Representative Susan Fagan who sponsored the bill. We would also like to thank Representative Joe Schmick who signed on as a co-sponsor. Also signing on as co-sponsors were House Representatives Shelly Short and Bruce Chandler. HB 2839 proposes to exempt Pullman from the Phase II stormwater requirements until January 1, 2014. Speakers who testified at the hearing in support of the bill were Representative Susan Fagan, Mayor Glenn Johnson, City Councilmember Barney Waldrop, City Councilmember Pat Wright and City Supervisor John Sherman. Speaking in opposition to the bill was Don Seeberger of the Department of Ecology, a representative from the People for Puget Sound and a representative from the Washington Environmental Council.

On Wednesday, January 27, we provided the attached detailed listing of Pullman's stormwater history in response to a message from Ecology and Parks Committee Chair Dave Upthegrove to Representative Susan Fagan that the parties could provide additional information for the committee's consideration.

On Wednesday, January 27, in her speech at the AWC conference, Governor Christine Gregoire addressed the stormwater issue and stated she had heard loud and clear from AWC President Glenn Johnson about Pullman's concerns.

On Wednesday, January 27, representatives from Pullman were able to speak to both Chief of Staff Jay Manning, former director of the Department of Ecology, and Dave Upthegrove, chair of the House Ecology and Parks Committee.

On Friday, January 29, we received the attached e-mail from Dave Williams of AWC. In the e-mail, Dave Williams notes that Department of Ecology Director Ted Sturdevant sent the information that the Department of Ecology sent to the House Ecology and Parks Committee at the request of the committee. The recommendation from the Department of Ecology is that Pullman remain subject to the existing requirements of the Eastern Washington Phase II Municipal Stormwater General permit. Dave Williams of AWC stated, "Bottom Line – looks like you are stuck."

The House Ecology and Parks Committee will probably vote on the bill late Monday or on Tuesday. Regardless of the outcome, we are hopeful that a budget proviso can be considered later in the legislative session. Last year the House Ways & Means Committee unanimously passed a budget proviso that stated, "The department shall delay compliance requirements for the national pollution discharge elimination system (NPDES) phase 2 permit schedule for the city of Pullman until the next scheduled permit reissuance in 2012." The House budget in 2009 accepted the provision but the Senate budget did not. The Senate budget was ultimately adopted.

We recognize that we are facing an uphill battle. However, Oregon and Idaho did not include all of its bubble cities. As is explained in the information in the January 22, 2010 AWC Legislative Bulletin:

Of the 98 NPDES Phase II cities in Washington, Pullman is one of ten the Department of Ecology (DOE) decided in 2007 should be required to get a stormwater permit, even though they are not specifically required to do so under federal law. The federal Clean Water Act requires urban and urbanizing areas of certain sizes and residential densities to obtain a permit, and to manage stormwater according to permit conditions. States have discretion to add others that closely meet those size or density standards.

Pullman and nine other cities (Port Angeles, Aberdeen, Anacortes, Centralia, and Oak Harbor on the westside and Ellensburg, Moses Lake, Pullman, Sunnyside and Walla Walla on the eastside) are not specifically required to comply but were added by DOE following a long public involvement process.

We are still pressing for Pullman to gain a delay or exemption because the Department of Ecology went beyond federal requirements by including the bubble cities and because we should be granted special consideration due to our unique conditions.

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON ECOLOGY & PARKS
PUBLIC HEARING
JANUARY 26, 2010

TESTIMONY FROM THE CITY OF PULLMAN
RE: HB2839

HOUSE BILL 2839

State of Washington

61st Legislature

2010 Regular Session

By Representatives Fagan, Schmick, Short, and Chandler

Read first time 01/14/10. Referred to Committee on Ecology & Parks.

1 AN ACT Relating to extending the implementation of the national
2 pollutant discharge elimination system municipal separate storm sewer
3 systems permit; adding a new section to chapter 90.48 RCW; and
4 providing an expiration date.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

6 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 90.48 RCW
7 to read as follows:

8 (1) Cities with a population between twenty-four thousand five
9 hundred and twenty-five thousand, as reported in the 2000 census, and
10 located in a county with a population between forty thousand five
11 hundred and forty-one thousand five hundred, as reported in the 2000
12 census, east of the crest of the Cascade mountains, do not have to
13 implement the requirements of the national pollutant discharge
14 elimination system municipal separate storm sewer systems (MS4) permit,
15 as provided in RCW 90.48.260, until calendar year 2014.

16 (2) This section expires January 1, 2014.

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COMMENTS BY THE CITY OF PULLMAN ON HB 2839
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON ECOLOGY & PARKS HEARING
JANUARY 26, 2010

We want to express our sincere appreciation to the members of the House Committee on Ecology & Parks for allowing us this opportunity to testify on HB 2839. We strongly support the bill.

The city of Pullman recognizes the importance of addressing stormwater issues in a fair and reasonable manner. The city currently has design standards that require erosion and sediment control plans be submitted and approved with new development and require stormwater detention and biofiltration when certain thresholds have been met. The city already addresses high-risk land uses such as car washes, auto repair/maintenance shops, etc. with special requirements.

However, when the Phase II Stormwater Permit was proposed to include Pullman, we actively opposed our inclusion under the terms of the Phase II Permit. During the comment period that ended on May 19, 2006, the city of Pullman, Washington State University and Schweitzer Engineering Labs, Inc. officially requested that Pullman not be included in the Phase II Program.

Pullman and the surrounding area are characterized by rolling hills, steep slopes and highly erodable soils. The relative impermeability of the soil virtually eliminates the use of infiltration for stormwater treatment, which results in close to 100% runoff. Agriculture is the primary land use in the surrounding area, and results in highly turbid runoff far outweighing contributions from the city stormwater system. Benchmarks such as the 25 NTU threshold in the Construction Stormwater General Permit are essentially impossible to meet at times, and quite frankly wouldn't matter much because the contribution from agricultural land is so much higher, both in quantity and turbidity levels.

On September 26, 2006, a public meeting was held on the stormwater issue. David Duncan, from the Water Quality Program of the Washington State Department of Ecology, stated that "...Pullman has perhaps the most difficult situation in the whole state with regards to soils."

At the town hall meeting on December 6, 2006, the stormwater issue was discussed in depth with our 9th District state legislators. Representatives from the Washington State Department of Ecology were also present to address the stormwater issue. Later in December, our 9th District state legislators were able to meet with Director of the Department of Ecology Jay Manning and convinced him to delay the proposed December implementation of the Phase II Permit until January. However in January 2007, the Department of Ecology issued the new Phase II Permits that included Pullman.

At the City Council meeting on March 6, 2007, the City Council passed a resolution authorizing the city of Pullman to join a coalition of 33 cities and counties for the purpose of appealing provisions of the Municipal Stormwater Permit.

On December 11, 2007, the issue of stormwater was again raised with our 9th District state legislators. The first issue of interest to the city of Pullman in the town hall meeting was that the state should provide for reasonable and achievable stormwater standards. We requested that the legislature act to ensure that reasonable and achievable stormwater standards are applied that do not exceed federal requirements and that take into consideration the unique provisions of various geographic areas within the state.

On June 17, 2008, representatives of the city and the Chamber of Commerce met with Michele Vazquez, Regulatory Assistance Lead for the Eastern Region of the Governor's Office of Regulatory Assistance, and David Knight, Unit Supervisor of the Water Quality Program of the Department of Ecology Eastern Regional Office. We emphasized that stormwater regulations need to be reasonable and achievable. As it pertains to Pullman, the Phase II Requirements are neither.

On June 26, 2008, Mayor Glenn A. Johnson sent a strongly worded letter to Governor Chris Gregoire expressing concerns about the fiscal impact of the stormwater regulations on the business climate, SEL, WSU and others.

At the City Council meeting on October 21, 2008, the City Council discussed stormwater issues. City Councilmember Keith Bloom reflected the sentiments of many City Councilmembers when he stated at the meeting:

If I believed for a moment that his would clean up one drop of stormwater, given our geology and our geography, I'd be all over this, all right? I do not believe that by writing a bunch of words on paper and creating a bureaucracy, that we are really going to clean up the stormwater in Pullman significantly enough that what flows in from out of town and winds up flowing out the South Fork still doesn't look like chocolate milk come springtime rolling down Palouse Falls.

At the City Council meeting on January 6, 2009, the City Council voted to defer consideration of the stormwater ordinance until Tuesday, February 3. The City Council passed Resolution No. R-2-09 relating to stormwater and petitioning the Governor for relief.

On February 11, 2009, Department of Ecology representatives met with Representative Joe Schmick in response to the bill that he co-sponsored with Representative Don Cox to exempt Pullman and WSU from the requirements of the Phase II stormwater permit.

On February 18, 2009, a meeting was held in Olympia to discuss the inclusion of the city of Pullman and WSU under the Phase II stormwater requirements. Representatives from the State of Washington who were in attendance at the meeting were Senator Mark Schoesler; Representative Joe Schmick; Keith Phillips, the Executive Policy Director to the Governor on Environmental Issues; and four representatives from the Department of Ecology: Harriet Beale, Municipal Stormwater Technology Specialist; Melodie Selby, P.E. Water Quality Program; Ted Sturdevant, Director Governmental Relations; and Kelly Susewind, Program Manager, Water Quality Program. This very productive meeting allowed representatives of the city of Pullman to articulate a variety of issues relative to the inclusion of Pullman and WSU under the requirements of the Phase II stormwater permit. At the conclusion of the meeting, it was agreed that a representative from the Department of Ecology would come to Pullman to meet with city of Pullman and WSU officials in an attempt to reduce the financial impact of the permit requirements. This could include a delay in certain timelines under the permit due to the severe economic conditions.

On March 12, 2009, the agreed upon meeting was held in Pullman with representatives of the Department of Ecology, the city of Pullman, and WSU. Both the city and WSU requested financial relief from the costly requirements of the Phase II stormwater permit. City representatives stated they would be willing to recommend that the City Council suspend charges under the stormwater utility for two years in order to lessen the financial impact on businesses and WSU if Ecology would roll back the permit cycle for Pullman from the current status of year three to year one. WSU requested that future requirements of the permit be suspended until the TMDL study is completed in approximately two years.

On April 7, 2009, the House Ways & Means Committee unanimously passed a budget proviso that stated, "The department shall delay compliance requirements for the national pollution discharge elimination system (NPDES) phase 2 permit schedule for the city of Pullman until the next scheduled permit reissuance in 2012". The budget proviso was sponsored by 9th District State Representative Joe Schmick and 17th Legislative District State Representative Deb Wallace.

Because of an amendment in the House Ways and Means Committee that WSU supported, the House and Senate operating budget bills differed on how each treated a storm water permit issue in the WSU maintenance-level budget. The House provided no funding and delayed implementation for two years. The Senate provided \$427,000. The agreement between WSU President Elson S. Floyd and Department of Ecology Director Jay Manning was to recommend for the Senate funding level without a delay in the permitting process.

On April 22, 2009, a delegation from Pullman attended a Department of Ecology Phase II Stormwater modification workshop and public hearing in Moses Lake. Representatives from the city of Pullman who attended the meeting and testified at the public hearing were Mayor Glenn A. Johnson, City Councilmember (Mayor Pro Tem) Keith Bloom, City Councilmember Pat Wright, City Supervisor John Sherman, and Stormwater Services Program Manager Rob Buchert. Also attending the meeting in Moses Lake were Pullman Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Tammy Lewis, Pullman Chamber of Commerce President Tom Handy, and Susan Fagan. Both Tammy Lewis and Susan Fagan provided testimony at the public hearing. All of the Pullman representatives spoke in favor of a two-year deferral of the requirements of the Phase II stormwater permit. Representatives of Washington State University were also present at the public hearing and requested a delay in the May 1, 2009, comment period deadline.

On June 27, 2009, the Washington State Department of Ecology official issued its modified stormwater permit. Pullman's request for a two-year deferral of the requirements of the Phase II stormwater permit was denied. However, Ecology did authorize Eastern Washington Phase II communities an extension of another year, until February 2011 to upgrade their maintenance and operations plan. This is a very welcome deadline extension of the maintenance and operations element of the permit.

In summary, the city of Pullman has taken timely actions to express its valid opposition to being included under the Phase II stormwater permit. These actions have included numerous contacts with the Department of Ecology, the Legislature, and the Governor. A formal legal appeal was also filed.

It is ludicrous to argue that the same conditions exist in Pullman that exist in salmon spawning areas. No migratory fish exist in Pullman. The South Fork of the Palouse is the river that flows through Pullman. It is not a "recreational use" river for water skiing, scuba diving, or other criteria used by the EPA and the Department of Ecology to make determinations for the types of water bodies that are suitable for stormwater regulation. The Department of Ecology's own preliminary Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) study showed that the main concern, fecal coliform, was substantially reduced just a few short miles downstream from Pullman. Palouse Falls is 200 feet high and is over eighty road miles from Pullman. The Palouse River flows into the Snake River below Palouse Falls.

With the state's current financial situation and the state of the economy, it is very prudent to revisit the application of the stormwater Phase II permits on Pullman. It is totally unreasonable to impose these costs on WSU as well at a time when higher education is poised to take another round of deep cuts. We urge you to pass House Bill 2839.

HB 2839 – Legislative Hearing Support Information

Prepared by Rob Buchert, Stormwater Services Program Manager

City of Pullman

January 21, 2010

Stormwater utility rates are currently \$3/month/ERU.

Rates are scheduled to increase to \$5/Month/ERU in March 2010 and \$7/month/ERU in March 2011.

WSU will have to pay \$158,688* in 2010 and \$222,163* in 2011. This is in addition to what WSU must spend to comply with its own permit requirements. WSU estimates these costs to be \$608,577 in 2010; and \$828,715 in 2011.

The stormwater utility charge for the Pullman School District will be \$19,344* in 2010, and \$27,082* in 2011. At a time when the state needs to make deep budget cuts in higher education and K-12, these new charges on going to take a major toll.

(* The figures above for WSU and PSD all include a 20% credit that they are currently receiving.)

A table is attached with additional estimated rates on some of Pullman's largest stormwater utility customers. The figures in the table do not include 20% credit which most of them will receive. Of the businesses in the table, the car dealerships and Dissmores are currently not eligible for credit.

Due to the complexity and extent of the stormwater permit requirements, we anticipate that we will not meet a major compliance deadline coming up in February (Construction/Post-Construction ordinance). We have been told by Ecology staff and other jurisdictions that Pullman is not alone. We have been working tirelessly to address this shortcoming and are committed to accomplishing this task. But we are reluctant to recklessly rush toward an outcome that we know will cause additional negative economic impact on our community, especially when our businesses are facing the worst economic times since WWII! This delay has put our whole program behind schedule so that our ability to meet additional looming deadlines remains in question.

Pullman wants to have a successful stormwater program and we want to meet our permit deadlines, but these are uncertain times for many of our citizens and businesses. In order to cover the cost of permit compliance, we were compelled to create a stormwater utility and charge a new fee. The fee is currently scheduled to more than double by March 2011. The increase in rates will undoubtedly place a significant burden on some local businesses and organizations, especially those with large amounts of impervious surface such as car dealerships and churches.

City of Pullman - Examples of Top Stormwater Utility Customers
ERUs & Estimated Rates
Last Updated: 01/21/09

Customer	Total ERU	Year 1 - \$3	Year 2 - \$5	Year 3 - \$7
WSU	3306	\$119,016	\$198,360	\$277,704
PSD #267	403	\$14,508	\$24,180	\$33,852
SEL	326	\$11,736	\$19,560	\$27,384
City of Pullman	254	\$9,144	\$15,240	\$21,336
Airport	220	\$7,920	\$13,200	\$18,480
Pullman Regional Hospital	92	\$3,312	\$5,520	\$7,728
Living Faith Fellowship	83	\$2,988	\$4,980	\$6,972
Shopko	75	\$2,700	\$4,500	\$6,300
Ridge Pointe H.O.A.	55	\$1,980	\$3,300	\$4,620
Safeway	54	\$1,944	\$3,240	\$4,536
Chipman & Taylor	54	\$1,944	\$3,240	\$4,536
Calvary Christian Center	45	\$1,620	\$2,700	\$3,780
Ace Hardware	38	\$1,368	\$2,280	\$3,192
Dissmores	35	\$1,260	\$2,100	\$2,940
Jess Ford	25	\$900	\$1,500	\$2,100
Wysup Motors	25	\$900	\$1,500	\$2,100
Port of Whitman	21	\$756	\$1,260	\$1,764

* The above figures are rounded and do not reflect actual billing amounts.

** The above figures do not include any credits applied. It is assumed that most of these accounts will be eligible for a 20% discount under the current proposed utility ordinance.



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MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: John Sherman, City Supervisor

RE: City of Pullman Stormwater History

DATE: January 22, 2010

The following is an updated history of what the city of Pullman has done with respect to the stormwater issue. The intent is to detail the variety of actions that have taken place with respect to addressing stormwater issues both before and since the time Pullman was placed under the requirements of the Phase II Stormwater Permit.

The city of Pullman recognizes the importance of addressing stormwater issues in a fair and reasonable manner. The city currently has design standards that require erosion and sediment control plans be submitted and approved with new development and require stormwater detention and biofiltration when certain thresholds have been met. The city already addresses high-risk land uses such as car washes, auto repair/maintenance shops, etc. with special requirements. The city also requires enhanced detention in one particularly sensitive sub-basin within the city (Hatley Canyon). With new construction, the city dye tests the sewer connections to verify the sanitary sewer lines are not inadvertently connected to the storm drain system. Thus, far from ignoring stormwater concerns, we have many procedures already in place.

However, when the Phase II Stormwater Permit was proposed to include Pullman, we actively opposed our inclusion under the terms of the Phase II Permit. During the comment period that ended on May 19, 2006, the city of Pullman, Washington State University and Schweitzer Engineering Labs, Inc. officially requested that Pullman not be included in the Phase II Program. The following statement was made within our city of Pullman letter in support of our request for not being included under the Phase II Stormwater Permit:

Pullman and the surrounding area are characterized by rolling hills, steep slopes and highly erodable soils. The relative impermeability of the soil virtually eliminates the use of infiltration for stormwater treatment, which results in close to 100% runoff. Agriculture is the primary land use in the surrounding area, and results in highly turbid runoff far outweighing contributions from the city stormwater system. Benchmarks such as the 25 NTU threshold in the Construction Stormwater General Permit are essentially impossible to meet at times, and quite frankly wouldn't matter much because the contribution from agricultural land is so much higher, both in quantity and turbidity levels.

The stormwater issue has been addressed in depth at numerous previous City Council meetings. On September 26, 2006, a public meeting was held on the stormwater issue. David Duncan, from the Water Quality Program of the Washington State Department of Ecology, stated that "...Pullman has perhaps the most difficult situation in the whole state with regards to soils." Representatives from WSU and SEL spoke at the City Council meeting and raised concerns about the proposed Phase II Regulations. At the conclusion of the stormwater discussion, the City Council voted to table motions authorizing a stormwater consultant agreement and the acceptance of a Department of Ecology stormwater grant.

At the town hall meeting on December 6, 2006, the stormwater issue was discussed in depth with our 9th District state legislators. Representatives from the Washington State Department of Ecology were also present to address the stormwater issue. Later in December, our 9th District state legislators were able to meet with Director of the Department of Ecology Jay Manning and convinced him to delay the proposed December implementation of the Phase II Permit until January. However in January 2007, the Department of Ecology issued the new Phase II Permits that included Pullman.

On January 23, 2007, the City Council discussed the decision of the Department of Ecology to include Pullman in the implementation of the Phase II Stormwater Permit. The City Council discussed the option of joining an appeal of the Department of Ecology decision.

On February 6, 2007, the City Council voted to join the appeal of the Phase II Regulations. Because the Department of Ecology opted to include Pullman under the requirements of the Phase II Regulations, the City Council also voted to approve the stormwater consultant agreement and accept the Department of Ecology stormwater grant.

On February 16, 2007, the NPDES Phase II Permit became effective. The minimum measures required under this Phase II Stormwater Permit are:

- Public education and outreach
- Public involvement and participation
- Illicit discharge detection and elimination
- Controlling runoff from development
- Pollution prevention for municipal operations.

At the City Council meeting on March 6, 2007, the City Council passed a resolution authorizing the city of Pullman to join a coalition of 33 cities and counties for the purpose of appealing provisions of the Municipal Stormwater Permit. In his staff report to the City Council, Public Works Director Mark Workman wrote:

The Department of Ecology (DOE) has issued the Phase II National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit under the provisions of the Federal Clean Water Act. The permit applies to several cities in Washington, including the city of Pullman. It is the opinion of many of the affected cities that DOE has exceeded the requirements of the Clean Water Act to the extent that significant and unwarranted financial burdens will be placed on these municipalities and the citizens residing therein, and subject the municipalities to costly legal challenges. Several Washington cities, including Pullman, committed to combine resources to appeal the permit to the Pollution Control Hearings Board and to Superior Court in Snohomish County.

On May 15, 2007, the appellants filed the proposed list of legal issues before the Pollution Control Hearings Board.

At the annual Association of Washington Cities (AWC) conference on June 14, 2007, a workshop was held on stormwater issues. The major point of the workshop discussion was that, regardless of the legal challenges to the Phase II Stormwater Permit, it is still in effect and we have a requirement to comply. The June 2007 AWC Stormwater fact sheet that was distributed at the conference stated:

The permit's requirements must be addressed in increments over the next five years and will be costly to implement for both public and private interests. Cities that have extensive stormwater programs and stormwater utilities in place may be meeting some of the requirements of the permit. Cities that have not developed stormwater programs or developed a stormwater utility will face a much greater challenge.

On June 26, 2007, the City Council requested that the options of retaining a consultant to aid in compliance and to retain a full-time stormwater program employee be brought back for consideration at a later date.

At the City Council meeting on August 17, 2007, the City Council authorized the creation of the city of Pullman stormwater manager position. The following are excerpts from the minutes of the City Council meeting:

Councilmember Bloom stated he concurred with the staffing needs for stormwater compliance, stated that the stormwater issue was an unfunded mandate and the citizens would have to find a way to pay for it, and that compliance would involve high volumes of work.

Councilmember Heath stated she agreed with Councilmember Bloom's comments that this was a complex issue and that the City should stay within the minimum standards and not go beyond that.

At the City Council meeting on October 23, 2007, a discussion took place concerning the stormwater issue. John Knutson of Otak, Inc., the city's stormwater consultant, gave a detailed presentation on stormwater regulations, the city's options, and new annual stormwater funding needs. He recommended the establishment of a stormwater utility. Public Works Director Mark Workman stated that the city was behind in the stormwater compliance process and that we needed to establish and collect fees by mid-year 2008.

On December 11, 2007, the issue of stormwater was again raised with our 9th District state legislators. The first issue of interest to the city of Pullman in the town hall meeting was that the state should provide for reasonable and achievable stormwater standards. We requested that the legislature act to ensure that reasonable and achievable stormwater standards are applied that do not exceed federal requirements and that take into consideration the unique provisions of various geographic areas within the state.

At the City Council meeting on January 22, 2008, the stormwater issue was again addressed in depth. Four resolutions were passed by the City Council addressing various stormwater issues. The first resolution adopted a public participation policy for the development and implementation of an enhanced city stormwater management program. The second resolution provided more funding of the cost of litigating the stormwater appeal. The third resolution provided an addendum to the Otak, Inc. agreement for the purpose of performing the stormwater planning and funding project. The final resolution accepted a local stormwater grant from the Washington State Department of Ecology. Rob Buchert was formally introduced at the meeting as the city of Pullman's Stormwater Services Program Manager.

On April 17, 2008, city of Pullman representatives attended an AWC forum on stormwater that was held in the Spokane City Council Chambers.

On April 28, 2008, the city of Pullman, the Pullman Chamber of Commerce and the Pullman League of Women Voters co-sponsored a public forum on the stormwater issue. This was a very informative and well attended forum. Panelists included representatives from the city of Pullman, Otak, Inc., WSU, and the Washington State Department of Ecology.

Numerous meetings have been held to explain to various heavily impacted local businesses and organizations the impacts that the proposed stormwater utility would have upon them.

On May 22, 2008, representatives of the city met with representatives of the Washington State Department of Community, Trade and Economic Development

(CTED). We emphasized that it is hard to promote economic development and affordable housing because of onerous expensive regulations under the Phase II Stormwater Requirements.

On May 2, 2008, Tammy Lewis, who was with the Palouse Economic Development Council (PEDC) and is now Executive Director of the Pullman Chamber of Commerce, sent a letter to Governor Gregoire. In the letter she stated that new stormwater fees will hit businesses particularly hard and that SEL has stated that it will reconsider any expansion plans in the area due to the fees.

At the City Council meeting on June 3, 2008, another discussion was held on the stormwater issue, the first draft of the stormwater utility ordinance was presented, and the public comment period was opened. Representatives of the city of Pullman, Otak, Inc., and the Washington State Department of Ecology participated in the discussion. It was noted that the State of Oregon did not include any of its bubble cities within the Phase II Stormwater Program. Since Washington included all of its bubble cities, this demonstrates that Washington is exceeding federal requirements.

On June 10, 2008, representatives of the city and the Chamber of Commerce met with gubernatorial candidate Dino Rossi to discuss local issues of concern. Concerns about the cost and difficulty of compliance with the Phase II Stormwater Regulations were a major topic of discussion.

On June 17, 2008, representatives of the city and the Chamber of Commerce met with Michele Vazquez, Regulatory Assistance Lead for the Eastern Region of the Governor's Office of Regulatory Assistance, and David Knight, Unit Supervisor of the Water Quality Program of the Department of Ecology Eastern Regional Office. We emphasized that stormwater regulations need to be reasonable and achievable. As it pertains to Pullman, the Phase II Requirements are neither.

On June 19, 2008, city and Chamber of Commerce representatives met with our 9th District Legislators and again emphasized our concerns about the impact of the Phase II Stormwater Regulations on Pullman.

On June 26, 2008, Mayor Glenn A. Johnson sent a strongly worded letter to Governor Chris Gregoire expressing concerns about the fiscal impact of the stormwater regulations on the business climate, SEL, WSU and others.

On July 25, 2008, the Department of Ecology responded to Mayor Johnson's letter on behalf of Governor Christine Gregoire. The letter acknowledged that "The Department of Ecology (Ecology) is aware of the challenges that some cities, such as the City of Pullman (City), are facing in the implementation of the Phase II Municipal Stormwater General Permits." After detailing the reasons for the inclusion of Pullman under the Phase II requirements, the letter stated the following with respect to business climate concerns:

A major factor in bringing new business to Washington State is our healthy environment. The Municipal Stormwater Permits are part of the effort to keep the environment healthy, and to create a climate that is sustainable and good for business.

On August 12, 2008, a conference call took place with Keith Phillips, the Executive Policy Director to the Governor on Environmental Issues. The call was set up in response to the Mayor's letter. The phone conversation allowed Mayor Glenn Johnson, City Supervisor John Sherman, and Stormwater Services Program Manager Rob Buchert the opportunity to discuss stormwater issues in depth with a representative from the Governor's Office.

On August 25, 2008, Mayor Glenn Johnson sent a second letter to Governor Gregoire.

At the City Council meeting on August 26, 2008, the City Council passed Resolution No. R-79-08 authorizing the execution of the second amendment between the city of Pullman and a coalition of Washington cities who are challenging the stormwater regulations. The coalition is appealing the Phase II National Pollutant Discharge Elimination Permit.

At the City Council meeting on October 21, 2008, the City Council discussed stormwater issues. The revised draft stormwater utility ordinance was presented. The City Council again expressed its strong concerns about the stormwater regulations before suggesting final revisions in the draft ordinance. For example, City Councilmember Keith Bloom reflected the sentiments of many City Councilmembers when he stated at the meeting:

If I believed for a moment that this would clean up one drop of stormwater, given our geology and our geography, I'd be all over this, all right? I do not believe that by writing a bunch of words on paper and creating a bureaucracy, that we are really going to clean up the stormwater in Pullman significantly enough that what flows in from out of town and winds up flowing out the South Fork still doesn't look like chocolate milk come springtime rolling down Palouse Falls.

At the conclusion of the City Council discussion, the majority of the City Council concurred with the staff recommendation that the stormwater utility rate structure should be based upon impervious area.

On November 12, 2008, a second stormwater public forum was held in the City Council Chambers. City staff and representatives from Otak, Inc. gave a panel presentation before the forum was opened up for public input.

On December 2, 2008, city staff met with WSU staff for the ninth time to discuss WSU concerns about the proposed stormwater utility rate structure.

A notice of the proposed adoption of the stormwater utility ordinance at the December 9 was published in the December issue of the *Pullman Community UPDATE*.

At the City Council meeting on December 9, 2008, the City Council split on the vote to implement the stormwater utility. It was agreed that the issue would be back with a revised ordinance for the City Council meeting on January 6, 2009.

A notice of the proposed adoption of the stormwater utility ordinance at the January 6, 2009, City Council meeting was published in the January issue of the *Pullman Community UPDATE*.

At the City Council meeting on January 6, 2009, the City Council voted to defer consideration of the stormwater ordinance until Tuesday, February 3. At the City Council meeting on January 6, the City Council also discussed stormwater concerns during the town hall meeting with our 9th District state legislators. The City Council also passed Resolution No. R-2-09 relating to stormwater and petitioning the Governor for relief. A copy of the cover letter to the governor, the stormwater resolution, and an editorial on stormwater are attached. The resolution was also sent to our 9th District state legislators.

At the City Council meeting on February 3, 2009, the City Council reluctantly on a 4-3 voted to create a Stormwater Utility in order to keep up with the ever escalating costs of stormwater Phase II permit compliance. For a single-family house the rate is \$3 per month effective March 1, 2009; \$5 per month effective March 1, 2010; \$7 per month effective March 1, 2011. Attached is a breakdown of city of stormwater utility charges to major customers. WSU would pay \$119,360 in year one; \$198,360 in year two, and \$277,704 in year three. This is in addition to what WSU must spend to comply with its own permit requirements. For WSU, it estimates it must spend \$137,319 in 2007; \$119,940 in 2008; \$244,617 in 2009; \$608,577 in 2010; and \$828,715 in 2011. The stormwater utility charge for the Pullman School District is \$14,508 in year one; \$24,180 in year two, and \$33,852 in year three. At a time when the state needs to make deep budget cuts in higher education and K-12, these new charges on going to take a major toll.

On February 11, 2009, Department of Ecology representatives met with Representative Joe Schmick in response to the bill that he co-sponsored with Representative Don Cox to exempt Pullman and WSU from the requirements of the Phase II stormwater permit. Representative Schmick invited City Councilmember Francis Benjamin, Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Tammy Lewis, and Chamber of Commerce President Tom Handy to join him for the meeting with the Ecology officials. Many issues relating to the inclusion of Pullman within the Phase II permit were discussed. At the conclusion of the meeting, Councilmember Benjamin suggested that a follow-up meeting be held during the City Legislative Action Conference when others from the city of Pullman would be present to address some of the questions Ecology officials had raised.

On February 18, 2009, a meeting was held in Olympia to discuss the inclusion of the city of Pullman and WSU under the Phase II stormwater requirements. Representatives from the State of Washington who were in attendance at the meeting were Senator Mark Schoesler; Representative Joe Schmick; Keith Phillips, the Executive Policy Director to the Governor on Environmental Issues; and four representatives from the Department of Ecology: Harriet Beale, Municipal Stormwater Technology Specialist; Melodie Selby, P.E. Water Quality Program; Ted Sturdevant, Director Governmental Relations; and Kelly Susewind, Program Manager, Water Quality Program. This very productive meeting allowed representatives of the city of Pullman to articulate a variety of issues relative to the inclusion of Pullman and WSU under the requirements of the Phase II stormwater permit. At the conclusion of the meeting, it was agreed that a representative from the Department of Ecology would come to Pullman to meet with city of Pullman and WSU officials in an attempt to reduce the financial impact of the permit requirements. This could include a delay in certain timelines under the permit due to the severe economic conditions.

At the City Council meeting on February 24, 2009, a stormwater report was presented. The report detailed the results of the two meetings in Olympia with Department of Ecology officials and discussed the possibility of “extending certain deadlines within the permit in view of the economic situation”.

On March 12, 2009, the agreed upon meeting was held in Pullman with representatives of the Department of Ecology, the city of Pullman, and WSU. The two representatives from the Department of Ecology were Harriet Beale, Municipal Stormwater Permit Lead, from Ecology Headquarters in Lacey and Dave Knight, Watershed TMDL Unit Supervisor from Spokane. Representatives from the city of Pullman were Mayor Pro Tem Keith Bloom, City Supervisor John Sherman, Public Works Director Mark Workman, Deputy Public Works Director Kevin Gardes, and Stormwater Services Program Manager Rob Buchert. WSU representatives were Senior Associate Vice President of Business and Finance Rich Heath, Environmental Health and Safety Director Dwight Hagihara, and Capital Planning and Development Project Manager Mike Leonas. A great deal of information was presented by city and WSU representatives relative to issues pertaining to the stormwater Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) study that Ecology has conducted. Both the city and WSU requested financial relief from the costly requirements of the Phase II stormwater permit. City representatives stated they would be willing to recommend that the City Council suspend charges under the stormwater utility for two years in order to lessen the financial impact on businesses and WSU if Ecology would roll back the permit cycle for Pullman from the current status of year three to year one. WSU requested that future requirements of the permit be suspended until the TMDL study is completed in approximately two years.

On March 12, 2009, Mayor Glenn A. Johnson met with Governor Chris O. Gregoire as part of an Association of Washington Cities (AWC) delegation meeting with the Governor. Mayor Johnson was able to discuss the stormwater issue during the

meeting with the Governor. In a letter he delivered to the Governor's representative Marty Brown, Mayor Johnson stated the following:

Given the current economic downturn and the pending further negative impact on Pullman businesses and citizens through the assessment of stormwater utility fees to fund compliance with the Municipal Stormwater Permit, we suggest the request to the Department of Ecology for meaningful relief be that the permit cycle for Pullman be rolled back from the current status of year three to year one. Then we would not yet need to hire a Stormwater Field Technician or hire additional personnel to ramp up the maintenance of the stormwater system to municipal Permit levels. This relief would keep the stormwater utility costs minimal and allow us to fund these costs from the Street Fund. Stormwater utility fees could be deferred for two years, hopefully sufficient time for stimulus efforts to have a positive effect on the general economy.

On March 31, 2009, an update was provided to the City Council on the current status of stormwater issues. A report was also provided on the stormwater billing implementation. The city budget was then amended to reflect the stormwater utility.

On April 7, 2009, the House Ways & Means Committee unanimously passed a budget proviso that stated, "The department shall delay compliance requirements for the national pollution discharge elimination system (NPDES) phase 2 permit schedule for the city of Pullman until the next scheduled permit reissuance in 2012". The budget proviso was sponsored by 9th District State Representative Joe Schmick and 17th Legislative District State Representative Deb Wallace.

On April 8, 2009, a conference call took place between representatives of the Washington State Department of Ecology, WSU, and the city of Pullman. Ecology Director Jay Manning and several of his staff participated in the call. Local participants in the conference call were WSU President Elson S. Floyd, Vice-President Greg Royer, Senior Associate Vice-President Rich Heath, and City Supervisor John Sherman. Extensive discussions took place regarding the appropriateness of the inclusion of Pullman as a bubble city under the Phase II permit. Jay Manning stated that Ecology would not remove Pullman from the permit and that the Federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) had never granted a permit removal request. Rather than seeking legislative redress, Ecology urged Pullman and WSU to participate in the April 22, 2009, Department of Ecology workshop and public hearing in Moses Lake. Department of Ecology representatives stated they will be looking for ways to help WSU lower its costs and to secure financial support through a state appropriation. WSU and the city of Pullman continued to urge Ecology to grant a two-year delay in the permit due to the current dire financial situation.

On April 17, 2009, Washington State University announced that President Elson S. Floyd and Washington State Department of Ecology Jay Manning agreed that WSU

would support a \$427,000 appropriation because of the following five points of agreement:

1. Ecology agrees to give the university credit for current and past efforts that have enhanced storm water quality.
2. Ecology agrees to review permits and reconsider costs of compliance for WSU and the city of Pullman.
3. WSU will continue to absorb some storm water costs by paying for some measures out of new construction budgets.
4. Ecology will provide a \$50,000 grant to cover part of the costs that are expected to exceed \$427,000.
5. WSU will agree to match the \$50,000 grant with existing funds.

Because of an amendment in the House Ways and Means Committee that WSU supported, the House and Senate operating budget bills differed on how each treated a storm water permit issue in the WSU maintenance-level budget. The House provided no funding and delayed implementation for two years. The Senate provided \$427,000. The agreement between WSU President Elson S. Floyd and Department of Ecology Director Jay Manning was to recommend for the Senate funding level without a delay in the permitting process.

On April 22, 2009, a delegation from Pullman attended a Department of Ecology Phase II Stormwater modification workshop and public hearing in Moses Lake. Representatives from the city of Pullman who attended the meeting and testified at the public hearing were Mayor Glenn A. Johnson, City Councilmember (Mayor Pro Tem) Keith Bloom, City Councilmember Pat Wright, City Supervisor John Sherman, and Stormwater Services Program Manager Rob Buchert. Also attending the meeting in Moses Lake were Pullman Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Tammy Lewis, Pullman Chamber of Commerce President Tom Handy, and Susan Fagan. Both Tammy Lewis and Susan Fagan provided testimony at the public hearing. All of the Pullman representatives spoke in favor of a two-year deferral of the requirements of the Phase II stormwater permit. Representatives of Washington State University were also present at the public hearing and requested a delay in the May 1, 2009, comment period deadline.

On June 27, 2009, the Washington State Department of Ecology official issued its modified stormwater permit. Pullman's request for a two-year deferral of the requirements of the Phase II stormwater permit was denied. However, Ecology did authorize Eastern Washington Phase II communities an extension of another year, until February 2011 to upgrade their maintenance and operations plan.

Sherman, John

From: Dave Williams [davew@awcnet.org]
Sent: Friday, January 29, 2010 5:46 AM
To: GlennJohnson
Cc: Sherman, John
Subject: DOE Response to Legality of Amending Pullman's Stormwater Timeline

Yesterday, DOE Director Ted Sturdevant sent me the following which was distributed to the House Ecology and Parks Committee. It is their response to questions about the Legislature's authority to amend the timelines on your Phase II permit.

I know Ted wanted to speak with you Glenn - I assume it was about this.

Bottom Line - looks like you are stuck.

Happy to chat - sorry

Dave

From: Seeberger, Don (ECY)
Sent: Wednesday, January 27, 2010 9:41 AM
To: upthegrove.dave@leg.wa.gov; chase.maralyn@leg.wa.gov; dickerson.marylou@leg.wa.gov; dunshee.hans@leg.wa.gov; finn.fred@leg.wa.gov; hudson.zack@leg.wa.gov; kretz.joel@leg.wa.gov; kristiansen.dan@leg.wa.gov; morris.jeff@leg.wa.gov; orcutt.ed@leg.wa.gov; rolfes.christine@leg.wa.gov; shea.matt@leg.wa.gov; short.shelly@leg.wa.gov; eddy.deborah@leg.wa.gov; taylor.david@leg.wa.gov; ford.jaclyn@leg.wa.gov
Cc: Terwilliger, Karen (ECY); Susewind, Kelly (ECY); Sturdevant, Ted (ECY); Moore, Bill (ECY)
Subject: HB 2839 - Ecology's Clarification of Questions from Committee Members

Dear Committee Members:

I would like to thank you for the opportunity to appear before you yesterday and present the Department of Ecology's perspectives regarding HB 2839 titled: Concerning the implementation of the national pollutant discharge elimination system municipal separate storm sewer systems permit.

At the hearing there was interest in confirming the legal procedures for extending the permit deadlines for the city of Pullman until January 2014. As requested, we have consulted with the Attorney General's office in evaluating the options for extending the permit deadlines for the city of Pullman.

As you are aware, this bill would exempt the city of Pullman from compliance with the Eastern Washington municipal stormwater permit until January 2014. Under the federal clean water act, Ecology was required to evaluate whether Pullman (and several other cities across the state) needed to be covered under the municipal stormwater permit. This evaluation was required by the EPA phase II regulations that went into effect in early 2000. Ecology did the preliminary evaluation in late 2005 and the decision was final when we issued the Eastern Washington municipal stormwater permit in January 2007. At that time the city of Pullman could have challenged our decision to require permit coverage but did not do so, and as a result the city of Pullman remains subject to the 2007 permit requirements.

The municipal stormwater permit that the city of Pullman is subject to, is a federal Clean Water Act permit. Ecology has been delegated by the EPA, the authority to issue clean water act permits in the state of Washington. This delegation is contingent upon Ecology complying with EPA regulations and procedures regarding the issuance and administration of these permits. Any decision to exempt or excuse a permittee from established permit requirements requires a formal permit modification. A permit modification must comply with EPA's regulations which include requirements for public review and comment and provisions for appeal. Under this bill if Ecology does not formally modify the permit, the city of Pullman would be excused from compliance with the permit under state law, but would not be excused from

compliance the under federal law. This means that the city of Pullman would be subject to third party citizen suits and/or EPA enforcement for failure to comply with their federal clean water act permit without modifying the permit.

Alternatively, Ecology could propose to modify the current permit to either exempt the city of Pullman from the permit all together, or establish a January 1, 2014 implementation deadline in the permit that is unique for the city of Pullman. Any proposed permit modification that would extend the deadlines for the city of Pullman would be subject to public review and comment and under our delegation agreement with the EPA would have to be submitted for review by the EPA. Any decision to either un-permit the city of Pullman or extend the permit deadlines for the city of Pullman would likely be challenged as being illegal under EPA's regulations. Our ability to successfully defend a permit modification to extend implementation deadlines for Pullman is highly questionable.

Another question that came up at today's hearing was whether the Eastern Washington Municipal stormwater permit goes beyond the EPA minimum requirements – in short the permit does not go beyond EPA minimum requirements. In developing the eastern Washington permit we worked extensively with affected jurisdictions throughout Eastern Washington over a period of more than six years to develop a permit that is tailored to the needs and capacities of the communities in Eastern Washington.

Ecology's process to designate the City of Pullman for permit coverage goes back to 2001 and is consistent with requirements under the Clean Water Act rule. The federal rule requires that Ecology evaluate all cities with a population of 10,000 or more for permit coverage, including Pullman. Ecology involved Pullman and another seven potential permittees as it developed criteria for the decision. Pullman met Ecology's criteria for coverage, including the criterion that jurisdictions in which stormwater discharges are identified as a substantial contributor to violations of water quality standards must be covered by the permit. The federal rule does not provide for a process to exempt jurisdictions from the permit once they have been designated for coverage.

Ecology has worked with Pullman to help implement the permits. Two Ecology grants of \$75,000 and \$50,000 in 2006 and 2007 provided Pullman with funds to support permit implementation. Ecology recently provided an additional grant of \$50,000 for FY 2010-2011 to support the stormwater program. Other FY 2010-2011 grants totaling more than \$400,000 to Eastern Washington Phase II cities and counties will provide regional support for staff training and public education materials. Since 2007, Ecology staff and officials met with Pullman staff and officials on a number of occasions, including meetings in Olympia and Pullman.

To summarize Ecology finds the language in HB 2839 to be inconsistent with our obligations to meet federal regulations as required by our delegated authority for the NPDES permit program. This is why Ecology recommends that Pullman remain subject to the existing requirements of the Eastern Washington Phase II Municipal Stormwater General permit.

Thank you for your consideration. If you have questions or would like to discuss this further please feel free to contact me at 407-6489.

Sincerely
Don Seeberger



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MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: ^{DS} John Sherman, City Supervisor

RE: Appointment of Mayor Pro Tempore and Alternate Mayor Pro Tempore

DATE: January 29, 2010

At the first City Council meeting in February of each year the City Council appoints the Mayor Pro Tempore and the Alternate Mayor Pro Tempore. The current Mayor Pro Tempore is Keith Bloom and the Alternate Mayor Pro Tempore is Pat Wright.

REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

For Meeting of: February 2, 2010

ACTION REQUESTED

Motion approving disbursements represented by accounts payable checks numbered _____ through _____ totaling \$ _____ inclusive, payroll checks numbered _____ through _____ totaling \$ _____ inclusive, and electronic transfers totaling \$ _____ and direct that they be paid upon approval of the Auditing Officer and Audit Committee.

BACKGROUND

Motion will approve payment of claims, wages, and transfers for February, 2010.

RECOMMENDATION

Passage of the motion.

FISCAL IMPACT

\$ _____ Budgeted Expenditures

BARS Code Number

SUBMITTED BY

ATTACHMENTS FOR COUNCIL REVIEW/ACTION

William F. Mulholland
Name

1. None

Finance Director
Title

Finance
Department

REVIEWED BY

Initial

Date

Department Head

City Supervisor

City Attorney
(As To Form)

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