ROLL CALL was answered by Councilmembers Bassett, Carlson, Collins, Lillquist, O’ Brien, Perrie and Mayor Barry.

Others present were City Manager Barkley; City Attorney Pidduck; City Clerk Reno; Senior Planner Smith; Finance Director Carpenter; Public Works Director Akers; Executive Assistant Gigstead; Energy Services Director Titus; and three members of the audience.

AGENDA APPROVAL

Approve agenda with addition of Item 6.C – Sub Basin Planning Presentation. Lillquist

Affirmed

CONSENT AGENDA

Items listed under the Consent Agenda were distributed to Councilmembers in advance for study and were enacted by one motion with separate discussion to the extent any items were removed from the Consent Agenda at the request of a Councilmember.

Approve the Consent Agenda as follows: Carlson

A. Approve Minutes – November 15, 2004, Regular Session

B. Acknowledge Minutes of Boards and Commissions

C. Approve Closure of Fourth Avenue from Pearl to Ruby Streets on June 18, 2005 from 5:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. for a Car Show with the Requirement that Proof of Insurance be Provided and Intersections within the Closure Area Remain Open to Through Traffic

D. Approve the Canterberry Estates Plat – Division II – Phases 1 & 2 as Final and Authorize the Mayor to Sign the Final Plat and the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law

E. Approve the Ridgeview Plat – Phase 1 as Final and Authorize the Mayor to Sign the Final Plat and the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law

F. Authorize City Manager to Execute Professional Services Agreement with Tetra Tech/KCM, Inc. for the Cascade Way Bridge Geotechnical Services/Scour Analysis

G. Ratify and Confirm the Mayor’s Execution of the Seattle Foundation Grant Agreement
H. Accept Bid Call 2004-30 – Tree Pruning Contract as Complete

I. Approve December 6, 2004 Claims Fund Voucher Numbers 69003 Through 69230 in the Total Amount of $1,223,546.61; Payroll Fund Check Numbers 58639 Through 58856 in the Total Amount of $269,019.97; and Direct Deposit in the Amount of $108,067.08. Affirmed

LETTER FROM ATTORNEY JEFF SLOTHOWER PROPOSING A LAND EXCHANGE

Attorney Jeff Slothower is requesting property owned by Mike and Debbie Brunner be exchanged with property owned by the City. The exchange would require Mr. and Mrs. Brunner to convey to the City 1,696 square feet of property. The City would then vacate and convey to Mr. and Mrs. Brunner, 2440 feet of property.

Direct staff to draw up the necessary paperwork to facilitate the request. Bassett

Affirmed

REQUEST FROM LANDMARKS AND DESIGN COMMISSION TO PRESENT THE COMMISSION’ S ROLE IN THE DOWNTOWN HISTORIC DISTRICT

The Landmarks and Design Commission requests time on the January 10, 2005 special meeting agenda to present the Commission’ s role in the Downtown Historic District.

Approve request of Landmarks and Design Commission to be put on January 10, 2005 agenda. Carlson

Affirmed

PRESENTATION ON SUB BASIN PLAN

Joel Frendenthal, Fish and Wildlife Biologist, Yakima County Public Works, gave a presentation of the Yakima Sub Basin Fish and Wildlife Planning Board.

PUBLIC HEARING – RESOLUTION NO. 2004-27 – DECLARE PROPERTY SURPLUS

Mayor Barry opened the public hearing to consider declaring materials and equipment as surplus to the City’ s needs as a result of the construction and furnishing of the new City Hall.

Public Works Director Akers summarized the agenda report and handed out a revised surplus list.

There being no public testimony, Mayor Barry closed the public hearing.

Adopt Resolution No. 2004-27. Carlson

Affirmed
ORDINANCE NO. 4397 – 2005 BUDGET

Ordinance No. 4397, a summary of the 2005 Preliminary Budget, was given first reading at the November 15, 2004 Council meeting.

Read for the second time, Ordinance No. 4397. Bassett

An ordinance adopting the Annual Budget for the City of Ellensburg, Washington, for the year 2005.

Amend ordinance to fund the Children’s Activity Museum and Arts Commission and all Perrie community support programs at the 2004 levels. Affirmed

City Manager Barkley stated that the previous motion did not include the Ellensburg Downtown Association since no funds have been requested by the Association in 2005.

Amend ordinance by adding the following items: Bassett

Property tax receipts - increase $16,496

Teamster medical premium - increase $20,080

Premera Blue Cross medical premium - increase $129,346

Retirement contribution – increase $128,067

Labor & Industries premium – decrease $26,581

Property and liability insurance premium - decrease $57,018

Non Represented Employee Salaries – decrease $11,281

Affirmed

Vote on main motion. Affirmed

Adopt Ordinance No. 4397. Carlson

Bassett (yes)

Carlson (yes)

Collins (yes)

Lillquist (yes)

O’ Brien (yes)
ORDINANCE NO. 4398 – ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF LOCAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS

The proposed ordinance establishes general Local Improvement District (LID) procedures in the manner anticipated by the several state statutes referenced in the ordinance. Ordinance No. 4398 was given first reading at the November 15, 2004 meeting.

Read for the second time, Ordinance No. 4398. O’ Brien

AN ORDINANCE of the City of Ellensburg, Washington, relating to local improvement districts, providing for the lawful administration of all actions and proceedings in such special assessment districts, designating a city official for purposes of RCW 35.43.120 and 35.43.130, establishing the penalty for delinquent assessments and installments, prescribing rules regarding the foreclosure of local improvement district assessment liens, prescribing rules and regulations for the maintenance and operation of the city’s local improvement guaranty fund, ratifying certain past actions, providing for an effective date, and amending Chapter 2.18 of the Ellensburg Municipal Code by adding sections 2.18.10 through 2.18.30. Affirmed

Adopt Ordinance No. 4398. Carlson

Bassett (yes)
Carlson (yes)
Collins (yes)
Lillquist (yes)
O’ Brien (yes)
Perrie (yes)
Barry (yes)

Motion approved.

ORDINANCE NO. 4399 - HELENA AVENUE LOCAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT – AIRPORT ROAD TO 1400 FEET EAST OF ALDER STREET

The 2004 Arterial Street Budget contains a budget item to construct the Helena Avenue Local
Improvement District (LID). Ordinance No. 4399 was given first reading at the November 15, 2004 meeting.

**Read for the second time, Ordinance No. 4399. O’ Brien**

AN ORDINANCE of the City of Ellensburg, Washington, ordering the installation of street improvements on Helena Avenue, together with related utility improvements, all in accordance with Resolution No. 2004-20 of the City Council; establishing Local Improvement District No. 2004-1, and ordering the carrying out of the proposed improvement; providing that payment for the improvement be made in part by special assessments upon the property in the District, payable by the mode of "payment by bonds"; and providing for the issuance and sale of local improvement district warrants redeemable in cash or other short-term financing and local improvement district bonds. Affirmed

Affirmed

Adopt Ordinance No. 4399. Carlson

Bassett (yes)

Carlson (yes)

Collins (yes)

Lillquist (yes)

O’ Brien (yes)

Perrie (abstain)

Barry (yes) Motion approved.

**ORDINANCE NO. 4400 – SANDERS ROAD CITY LIMIT LINE REVISION**

Phase 3 of the Sanders Mill Plat will include street improvements along a portion of Sanders Road, which has not been annexed into the city limits. RCW 35.21.790 permits cities and counties to adjust boundaries through the City Council adopting an ordinance and the County Commissioners passing a concurring resolution. Ordinance No. 4400 was given first reading at the November 15, 2004 meeting.

**Read for the second time, Ordinance No. 4400. O’ Brien**

An ordinance relating to the corporate boundary of the City of Ellensburg; and revising the boundary along Sanders Road as described in Section 1 of this ordinance; and providing that the revision will be effective upon concurrence by the Kittitas County Board of Commissioners as evidenced by the adoption of a resolution. Affirmed
Adopt Ordinance No. 4400. Carlson
Bassett (yes)
Carlson (yes)
Collins (yes)
Lillquist (yes)
O’ Brien (yes)
Perrie (yes)
Barry (yes)

Motion approved.

ORDINANCE NO. 4401 – 2004 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENTS

The proposed ordinance includes 2004 Comprehensive Plan amendments. Ordinance No. 4401 was given first reading at the November 15, 2004 meeting.

Read for the second time, Ordinance No. 4401. O’ Brien

AN ORDINANCE of the City Council of the City of Ellensburg, Washington amending the Ellensburg Municipal Code relating to planning and amending the comprehensive plan adopted by Ordinance No. 3997 as last amended by Ordinance No. 4373 and set out in Chapter 3.32 of the Ellensburg City Code.

Affirmed

Adopt Ordinance No. 4401. Carlson
Bassett (yes)
Carlson (yes)
Collins (yes)
Lillquist (yes)
O’ Brien (yes)
Perrie (yes)
Barry (yes)
Motion approved.

ORDINANCE NO. 4402 – ESTABLISHMENT OF ADULT ACTIVITY CENTER CHANGE FUND

The proposed ordinance establishes a change fund at the Adult Activity Center in the amount of $100.00.

Read for the first time, Ordinance No. 4402. O’ Brien

AN ORDINANCE of the City Council of the City of Ellensburg, Washington amending the Ellensburg Municipal Code relating to change funds, and adding a new section to the Ellensburg City Code entitled 2.16.463 – “Adult Activity Center of Ellensburg Change Fund” to establish a change fund for the Adult Activity Center of Ellensburg. Affirmed

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-28 – OPPOSITION TO GRID WEST

The formation of a Regional Transmission Organization (RTO) will almost certainly result in increased costs and complexity to City Light. Regional public power associations have determined that now is the time to actively voice the City’s opposition to the creation of an RTO in the northwest and have suggested adoption of the proposed resolution.


Affirmed

Direct staff to remain in the lawsuit pertaining to this issue. Lilquist

The motion was withdrawn.

Council consented to not taking any action which will keep the City in the lawsuit.

THIRD INTERCHANGE PROJECT ADMINISTRATION DECISION

The City has received federal funding to begin project development of the Third Interchange project. Staff is requesting direction on two options available for project administration of this funding which include contracting with the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) and passing the project funding through the City to the WSDOT, or assigning the project funding directly to the WSDOT.

Council consensus was to direct staff to develop an agreement for assignment of the project funds to the WSDOT.

MANAGER’S REPORT

City/County Breakfast
Council set the City/County Breakfast for December 17, 2004

COUNCILMEMBERS’ REPORTS

Councilmember Bassett attended a Campus and Community Coalition meeting and a Lodging Tax Advisory Committee meeting.

Councilmember Carlson attended a Law and Justice Council meeting and the City/County Breakfast.

Councilmember Lillquist attended the Chamber Legislative Day.

Councilmember O’ Brien attended a Campus and Community Coalition meeting and the City/County Breakfast.

Mayor Barry attended the Chamber Legislative Day, a Conference of Governments meeting, the Energy Advisory Committee meeting, the City/County Breakfast, and the Campus and Community Coalition meeting.

ADJOURN Adjourn at 8:59 p.m. Carlson

Affirmed

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Mayor

ATTEST: _________________________ City Clerk