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

Others present were City Manager Barkley; City Attorney Pidduck; City Clerk Reno; Fire Chief Elliott; Finance Director Carpenter; Library Director Kline; Executive Assistant Gigstead; Energy Services Director Titus; and one member of the audience.

AGENDA APPROVAL

Approve agenda with addition of Item 11.C – Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) Perrie

Settlement Agreement and removal of Item 5.P – Accept Bid Call 2003-05 as Complete. 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 – December 6, 2004, Regular Session

B. Acknowledge Minutes of Boards and Commissions

(1) Cable Television Commission – October 20 2004

(2) Library Board – November 9, 2004

(3) Energy Advisory Committee – November 18, 2004

(4) Arts Commission – November 30, 2004

(5) Lodging Tax Advisory Committee – December 1, 2004

C. Approve Request from Alan Walker, Chamber of Commerce, for use of Rotary Pavilion on January 22, 2005 from 12:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

D. Approve the Addition of Wording on the Lodging Tax Event Seed Money Funding Request Form
E. Authorize Mayor to Sign letter to Washington State Department of Transportation Regarding Assignment of Project Funding for Third I-90 Interchange

F. Award Bid Call 2004-32 – Switch Cabinets to Cooper Power Systems for Schedule A and to General Pacific for Schedule B

G. Award Bid Call 2004-40 – Polyethylene Gas Pipe to U.S. Poly Co. for Schedule A

H. Award Bid Call 2004-41 – Polyethylene Gas Fittings to U.S. Poly Co. for Schedule B

I. Award Bid Call 2004-42 – Small Residential Gas Meters to Tri-Pacific Supply Inc. for Schedule A

J. Award Bid Call 2004-43 – Polyethylene Gas Valves to Tri-Pacific Supply Inc. for Schedule D

K. Reject all Bids for Bid Call 2004-44 – Schedule C - Polyethylene Gas Electrofusion Fittings

L. Reaffirm Sole Source Resolution No. 2003-33 Establishing Mueller as the Sole Source Supplier of Steel Pipe Fittings and Roots/Dresser as the Sole Source Supplier of Large Rotary Gas Meters

M. Authorize Mayor to Sign the Street Use Permit for Scott Rollins to Allow Placement of a Business Sign on Mountain View Avenue Right-of-Way

N. Accept Bid Call 2004-07 – Sidewalk Repair Program as Complete

O. Accept Bid Call 2004-28 – Fiber Optic Cable Installation Project as Complete

P. Award Bid Call 2004-50 - City Hall Audiovisual Systems to Avidex with Both Alternates for $92,007.03 and Authorize Staff to Negotiate a Contract

Q. Approve December 20, 2004 Claims Fund Voucher Numbers 69231 Through 69436 in the Total Amount of $1,333,391.34; Payroll Fund Check Numbers 58857 Through 59080 in the Total Amount of $268,909.56; and Direct Deposit in the Amount of $110,956.89. Affirmed

**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. Ordinance No. 4402 was given first reading at the December 6, 2004 meeting.

**Read for the second time and adopt Ordinance No. 4402.** Perrie

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. Bassett (yes)

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

Motion approved.

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-29 – FISCAL YEAR 2004 BAD DEBT WRITE-OFFS
The proposed resolution would authorize the write-off of uncollectible utility accounts, ambulance accounts, parking citations, and miscellaneous invoices for fiscal year 2004.
Adopt Resolution No. 2004-29. O’ Brien
Affirmed

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-30 – PAY PLAN
The proposed resolution would establish a pay plan for non-union employees for fiscal year 2005.
Affirmed

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-31 – RESERVE FIRE FIGHTER PAY
The proposed resolution would adjust the pay for reserve fire fighters to reflect a cost of living increase.
Adopt Resolution No. 2004-31. Carlson
Affirmed

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-32 – DONATION TO LIBRARY TRUST FUND
The proposed resolution would accept a donation made to the Library Trust Fund of $1,000 from Ruth Brunner from the Estate of Pearl E. Matcham.
Adopt Resolution No. 2004-32. Carlson
Affirmed
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS AGREEMENT FOR 2005

City Manager Barkley stated he received the agreement with Premera Blue Cross tonight. The agreement includes a 21 percent rate increase and changes the dental carrier from Premera Blue Cross to Jefferson Pilot, but provides the same coverage.

Authorize City Manager to sign the documents necessary for employee benefits for 2005. Carlson Affirmed

REQUEST FROM TRI-COUNTY WATER RESOURCES AGENCY FOR AN EXTENSION OF THE FOURTH AMENDED INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT

Councilmember Lillquist discussed the request from the Tri-County Water Resources Agency for an extension of the Fourth Amended Intergovernmental Agreement and implementing a membership fee schedule.

The City of Ellensburg will not participate in the memorandum of understanding regarding the Carlson extension of the Fourth Amended Intergovernmental Agreement for the Tri-County Water Resources Agency and implementation of a membership fee schedule. Affirmed

CONSIDERATION OF BPA SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

A settlement has been reached between BPA and its customers on new two year transmission rates. By agreeing to the settlement, all sides avoid the time and expense of a rate case proceeding. The Network Transmission rates contained in the Settlement Agreement would result in an 8.9% increase or approximately $60,000 per year, assuming average consumption.

Approve the BPA Settlement Agreement. Collins Affirmed

MANAGER’ S REPORT

City Hall

Council set the open house for new City Hall for Saturday, January 15, 2005.

Council Retreat

Set the Council Retreat for February 18, 2005, with the location to be announced. Carlson Affirmed

January 3, 2005 Meeting
Cancel the January 3, 2005 regular Council Meeting. Carlson

Affirmed

COUNCILMEMBERS’ REPORTS

Councilmember Bassett attended a Comprehensive Plan Consultant Committee meeting.

Council clarified that the Mayor is a member of the County Law Enforcement Officers and Firefighters Disability Board.

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

Councilmember Collins attended an Energy Advisory Committee meeting.

Councilmember Lillquist attended a Comprehensive Plan Consultant Committee meeting and reported on a Yakima Sub-basin Planning meeting.

Councilmember O’Brien attended a KITTCOM Board meeting and the City/County Breakfast.

Councilmember Perrie attended a Chamber of Commerce meeting.

Mayor Barry attended a Regional Transportation Planning Organization meeting, a Conference of Governments meeting, the Energy Advisory Committee meeting, and the City/County Breakfast.

ADJOURN Adjourn at 8:30 p.m. Carlson Affirmed

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Mayor

ATTEST: __________________________________ City Clerk