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- **Ordinance No. 006-14:** Ordinance amending the official zoning map of the City of Laurel, Montana, to change the zoning of SE1/4 of Section 8, T2SR24E, PMM, also known as Mace Subdivision, from Residential Tracts to Residential 6000. (First reading – 11/21/2006)

Mark Richards stated that no written comments have been received. He received a phone call yesterday regarding a drainage issue. A meeting has been scheduled with Mark Mace and the engineer to resolve the issue.

Mac Fogelsong, from Engineering, Inc., represents Mark and Kirk Mace. He presented a summary of the zone change request. The site, which is located at the corner of West Fourth Street and Eighth Avenue, is currently zoned as Residential Tracts. The applicant has requested a zone change to R-6000, which was included in the Preliminary Plat application. The existing zoning surrounding the area is R-6000, so this would be contiguous and consistent with the adjacent zoning.

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CONSENT ITEMS:

- **Clerk/Treasurer Financial Statements for the month of November 2006.**
- **Approval of Payroll Register (including comp time payout) for PPE 12/03/2006 totaling \$161,178.00.**
- **Receiving the Committee Reports into the Record.**
 - Budget/Finance Committee minutes of December 5, 2006.
 - Emergency Services Committee Minutes of November 27, 2006.
 - Insurance Committee Minutes of December 6, 2006
 - Special Council Workshop minutes of December 5, 2006.
 - City-County Planning Board minutes of December 7, 2006.
 - Council Workshop minutes of December 12, 2006.
 - Laurel Airport Authority minutes of September 23, 2005.
 - Laurel Airport Authority minutes of October 25, 2005.
 - Laurel Airport Authority minutes of November 22, 2005.
 - Laurel Airport Authority minutes of January 24, 2006.
 - Laurel Airport Authority minutes of February 28, 2006.
 - Laurel Airport Authority minutes of March 23, 2006.

--Laurel Airport Authority minutes of May 23, 2006.

--Laurel Airport Authority minutes of June 29, 2006.

--Laurel Airport Authority minutes of July 25, 2006.

--Laurel Airport Authority minutes of August 22, 2006.

--Laurel Airport Authority minutes of September 26, 2006.

--Laurel Airport Authority minutes of October 24, 2006.

The mayor asked if there was any separation of consent items. There was none.

Motion by Alderman Mace to approve the consent items as presented, seconded by Alderman Dickerson. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All seven aldermen/women present voted aye. Motion carried 7-0.

CEREMONIAL CALENDAR: None.

REPORTS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS: None.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (THREE-MINUTE LIMIT): None.

SCHEDULED MATTERS:

- **Confirmation of Appointments.**

HOME Program Advisory Board:

Mayor Olson appointed Mark Richards to the HOME Program Advisory Board.

Motion by Alderman Easton to approve the appointment of Mark Richards to the HOME Program Advisory Board, seconded by Alderwoman Hart. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All seven aldermen/women present voted aye. Motion carried 7-0.

Yellowstone City-County Health Board:

Mayor Olson appointed Donna Wagner to a three-year term ending December 31, 2009, on the Yellowstone City-County Health Board.

Motion by Alderwoman Hart to approve the appointment of Donna Wagner to a three-year term ending December 31, 2009, on the Yellowstone City-County Health Board, seconded by Alderman Fritzler. A vote was taken on the motion. All seven aldermen/women present voted aye. Motion carried 7-0.

- **Ordinance No. 006-12:** Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 006-06. Second reading.

Motion by Alderman Poehls to adopt Ordinance No. 006-12, seconded by Alderman Dickerson. There was no public comment or council discussion. A roll call vote was taken on the motion. All seven aldermen/women present voted aye. Motion carried 7-0.

- **Ordinance No. 006-15:** An ordinance modifying Title 15, Chapter 15.40.130(I) of the Laurel Municipal Code in order to provide clarity and consistency of the rules regarding freestanding signs. First reading.

Motion by Alderman Dickerson to adopt Ordinance No. 006-15, seconded by Alderman Stamper. There was no public comment or council discussion. A roll call vote was taken on the motion. All seven aldermen/women present voted aye. Motion carried 7-0.

- **Resolution No. R06-130:** A resolution of intent to adopt an official Schedule of Fees and Charges for the City of Laurel, repealing all previous resolutions that set fees or charges that conflict with the Schedule attached hereto upon its effective date.

Motion by Alderman Stamper to approve Resolution No. R06-130, seconded by Alderman Dickerson. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All seven aldermen/women present voted aye. Motion carried 7-0.

The public hearing for the Schedule of Fees and Charges will be on the council agenda on January 2, 2007.

- **Resolution No. R06-131:** Collection of annual \$2.00 service fee for all water users, pursuant to the Public Water Supply Program.

Motion by Alderman Fritzler to approve Resolution No. R06-131, seconded by Alderwoman Hart. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All seven aldermen/women present voted aye. Motion carried 7-0.

- **Resolution No. R06-132:** A resolution approving Task Order No. 12 directing Morrison-Maierle, Inc., to complete an update to the rate study of the city's wastewater utility and to complete a rate study of the city's water utility.

Motion by Alderman Poehls to approve Resolution No. R06-132, seconded by Alderman Dickerson. There was no public comment.

Alderman Poehls mentioned that a possible request for proposals for engineering services was discussed at the Budget/Finance Committee meeting today. He questioned if approval of this task order should be delayed.

Mayor Olson would like to see this go forward, but he wants to make sure the request for proposals comes before the council as quickly as possible.

Alderman Mace commented that the RFP process would take too long and would affect this particular issue.

A vote was taken on the motion. All seven aldermen/women present voted aye. Motion carried 7-0.

- **Resolution No. R06-133:** A resolution approving Change Order No. 7 with JTL Group, Inc., to approve an adjustment to the previously approved contract price for the East First Street Improvements Project and authorizing the Mayor to execute the attached Change Order No. 7 on the City's behalf.

Motion by Alderman Mace to approve Resolution No. R06-133, seconded by Alderman Poehls. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All seven aldermen/women present voted aye. Motion carried 7-0.

- **Resolution No. R06-134:** A resolution approving Change Order No. 2 with Gray Construction, Inc., for additional materials and services on the Main Street Waterline Replacement Project and authorizing the Mayor to execute the attached Change Order No. 2 on the City's behalf.

Motion by Alderman Dickerson to approve Resolution No. R06-134, seconded by Alderman Stamper. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All seven aldermen/women present voted aye. Motion carried 7-0.

- **Resolution No. R06-135:** A resolution approving Change Order No. 1 with COP Construction LLC, for additional materials and services on the 2006 Laurel Wastewater Improvement Project and authorizing the Mayor to execute the attached Change Order No. 1 on the City's behalf.

Motion by Alderman Stamper to approve Resolution No. R06-135, seconded by Alderman Dickerson. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All seven aldermen/women present voted aye. Motion carried 7-0.

- **Resolution No. R06-136:** Resolution to authorize the Mayor to sign the attached Extension Amendment No. 1, extending the deadline for the expenditure of the previously awarded Department of Natural Resources and Conservation Grant, No. RRG-06-1261 on behalf of the City of Laurel.

Motion by Alderwoman Hart to approve Resolution No. R06-136, seconded by Alderman Fritzler. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All seven aldermen/women present voted aye. Motion carried 7-0.

- **Resolution No. R06-137:** Supporting the construction of the Montana State Firefighters Memorial in Laurel, Montana.

Motion by Alderman Easton to approve Resolution No. R06-137, seconded by Alderwoman Hart. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All seven aldermen/women present voted aye. Motion carried 7-0.

- **Resolution No. R06-138:** A resolution to authorize the Mayor to sign an Extension Agreement with Laurel Public Schools, District 7 and 7-70, continuing the School Resource Officer (SRO) Program for the Laurel Middle School for one fiscal year.

Motion by Alderwoman Hart to approve Resolution No. R06-138, seconded by Alderman Fritzler. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All seven aldermen/women present voted aye. Motion carried 7-0.

- **Resolution No. R06-139:** A resolution to authorize the Mayor to sign an Extension Agreement with Laurel Public Schools, District 7 and 7-70, continuing the School Resource Officer (SRO) Program for the Laurel High School for one fiscal year.

Motion by Alderman Fritzler to approve Resolution No. R06-139, seconded by Alderman Dickerson. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All seven aldermen/women present voted aye. Motion carried 7-0.

- **Resolution No. R06-140:** Resolution of the City Council accepting, by quitclaim Deed, a parcel of property conveyed to the City of Laurel by Leonard C. McLelland and Buena M. McLelland, and to authorize the Mayor to execute the transfer on the City's behalf.

At this time, Mayor Olson removed Resolution No. R06-140 from the council agenda as it was not ready for the council's consideration. As soon as it is ready, the council will be informed.

ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA: None.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS (ONE-MINUTE LIMIT): None.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION:

Mayor Olson and the council members wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Alderman Dickerson requested that a web page update be included on the council workshop agenda on December 26th.

UNSCHEDULED MATTERS:

Mayor Olson recognized Alderman Fritzler for his service on the Laurel City Council and the Cemetery Commission and presented a certificate of appreciation to him.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Alderman Mace to adjourn the council meeting.

There being no further business to come before the council at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

Cindy Allen, Secretary

Approved by the Mayor and passed by the City Council of the City of Laurel, Montana, this 2nd day of January, 2006.

Kenneth E. Olson, Jr., Mayor

Attest:

Mary K. Embleton, Clerk-Treasurer