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PRESS RELEASE

City of Sumner Receives Clean Audit Report for 2008

Sumner, WA—On September 28, 2009, the Washington State Auditor’s Office released the results of the City of Sumner’s annual audit for 2008 with no findings. This audit focused on three areas:

1. the City’s accountability including internal controls and the City’s compliance with state laws and regulations and its own policies and procedures,
2. financial statements, and
3. Federal compliance.

The auditor reported no findings in any of these areas.

In the accountability section, the auditor reported that the City complied with state laws and regulations and its own policies and procedures in the areas examined. They also noted that internal controls were adequate to safeguard the public assets. In keeping with general auditing practices, the audit did not examine every transaction, activity or area. Instead, the areas examined were those representing the highest risk of noncompliance, misappropriation or misuse. The auditor examined the following areas during this audit:

- Accounting/financial reporting
- Inter-fund transactions/balances
- Restricted funds
- Open public meetings/records laws
- Municipal Court
- Payroll/personnel
- LID billings/receivables
- Compliance with grant requirements

The auditor issued an unqualified opinion on the City’s financial statements of its major proprietary funds, the aggregate remaining proprietary fund information, and individual funds. For Federal compliance, the auditor reviewed a major program during the period under audit and found that the City qualified as a low-risk auditee under OMB Circular A-133 and issued an unqualified opinion on the City’s compliance with requirements applicable to its major federal program.

“This audit is an important resource that tells our citizens that we are using their money well and wisely,” said Mayor Dave Enslow. “For a city, a clean audit is one of the best compliments we could receive.”

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