



City of La Center, Washington Announces “Clean” Audit

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La Center, WA, December 30, 2011 – The City of La Center, Washington is pleased to announce that it received a “clean” audit, free of findings or management letters from the Washington State Auditor’s office for the fiscal years 2009 and 2010. The auditors evaluated internal controls and performed audit procedures on the activities of the City. The audit encompassed utility billings/receivables/cash receipting; open public meetings/records laws; disbursements/expenditures; police department and payroll. The Accountability Audit Report was issued on December 19, 2011.

The audit summary states “the City’s internal controls were adequate to safeguard public assets. The City also complied with state laws and regulations and its own policies and procedures in the areas examined”.

City of La Center’s Mayor Jim Irish stated, “The City of La Center continuously strives to maintain full compliance with Federal and State statutes. We were pleased to work with the audit team to openly promote accountability, integrity and our transparency in our City government. The recent audit results demonstrate our effective management of city funds and compliance of existing laws. I would like to recognize the Finance Department and in particular Paul Vernon, Janice Fowler and Naomi Hansen who deserve a great deal of credit in the outcome of this audit. “