

SULTAN CITY COUNCIL

AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

ITEM #: Consent C 7

DATE: June 10, 2010

SUBJECT: Resignation – Councilmember Jim Flower

CONTACT PERSON: Laura J. Koenig, Clerk/Deputy Finance Director

ISSUE:

The issue before the Council is to accept the resignation of Councilmember Jim Flower.

SUMMARY:

Sultan councilmember Jim Flower announced his decision to resign at the Council meeting on May 27, 2010. Flower cited his decision was necessary in order to accept an offer for a full-time position which would conflict with his council duties and responsibilities.

During his announcement, Flower stated, “It has been a wonderful opportunity to serve the City of Sultan and the residents of this community. Unfortunately, the downturn in the economy has affected my family in ways I could not have anticipated. In the end, my first responsibility is to take care of my family. This was a very difficult decision to make.”

Flower was elected to Position 5 in 2004 and served a four year term. He ran unopposed and was reelected to a second four year term which will expire in 2011. During Flower’s service to the Sultan community he was instrumental in representing personal property rights, adopting a balanced city budget and supporting the business committee. He served on the board of the Public Health District and was elected to chair the Board of Health in 2009. He was reappointed to a second term as chair in 2010. Mayor Carolyn Eslick commented, “Jim Flower has been a very important part of the Sultan city council. He brought a sense of decorum and history of the community to the council that will be hard to replace.”

RECOMMENDATION:

Accept the resignation of Councilmember Jim Flower and direct staff to provide notice to the Snohomish County Elections department.