ROLL CALL:
Joining Councilmembers for this discussion in addition to City Manager Dave Ramsay were Director of Finance and Administration Tracey Dunlap, Financial Planning Manager Sandi Hines, and Senior Financial Analyst Sri Krishnan.
Also contributing to the conversation were Network and Operations Manager Donna Gaw, Director of Public Works Daryl Grigsby, City Attorney Robin Jenkinson, Director of Fire and Building Fire Chief Kevin Nalder, Chief of Police Eric Olsen, Director of Parks and Community Services Jennifer Schroder, Director of Human Resources Bill Kenny, Director of Planning and Community Development Eric Shields, and Intergovernmental Relations Manager Erin Leonhart.

3. SPECIAL STUDY SESSION
   a. Utility Tax/Budget Follow-up

JOINING COUNCILMEMBERS FOR THIS DISCUSSION IN ADDITION TO CITY MANAGER DAVE RAMSAY WERE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION TRACEY DUNLAP, FINANCIAL PLANNING MANAGER SANDI HINES, AND SENIOR FINANCIAL ANALYST SRI KRISHNAN.

4. EXECUTIVE SESSION
   a. To Discuss Labor Negotiations

5. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS
   a. Building Services Manager Tom Phillips Named Washington Association of Building Officials 2009 Building Official of the Year

   b. Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for the Biennium Beginning January 1, 2009

   c. Twenty Year Service Awards to Firefighters: Firefighter Tom Bach, Captain Pat Hund, Lieutenant Troy McKinney, Firefighter William Henderson,
Captain Dave Walker, Firefighter Cliff Oleszko, Firefighter Joe Ruljancich, Firefighter Pat McManus

Mayor Lauinger introduced his visiting granddaughter, Beth Nolte, from Springfield, Oregon.

6. REPORTS

a. City Council

(1) Regional Issues

Councilmembers shared information regarding the Market Neighborhood Association picnic; King Conservation District; Kirkland Criterium Bicycle event; Juanita Bay Park Rangers appreciation letters; and the I-405 Mayors Advisory Group meeting.

b. City Manager

(1) Shoreline Master Program Timeline

(2) Calendar Update

7. COMMUNICATIONS

a. Items from the Audience

Barbee Pigott
Doyne Alward
Robert Gershmel
Scott Brady
Srivani
Wendy Fawcett
Courtney Titus
Katherine Winder
Dan Winder
Kevin Harrang
Pascal Stolz
Alice Prince

b. Petitions

None.

8. CONSENT CALENDAR

a. Approval of Minutes: July 21, 2009
b. Audit of Accounts:
   Payroll $2,073,999.20
   Bills $ 828,620.82
   run #843 check #’s 510358 - 510459
   run #844 check #’s 510461 - 510615

c. General Correspondence

   (1) Barry N. Brinkman, Regarding Verizon’s Telephone and Video Services in Washington

   (2) Jason and Lindsay Paquette, Regarding Condition of NE 124th and Suggestion for NE 116th

d. Claims

   (1) Mersedeh Shahrazad-Schmidt

e. Award of Bids

f. Acceptance of Public Improvements and Establishing Lien Period

   (1) 2008 Water System Improvement Project - North

       The project was accepted as constructed by KarVel Construction Company and the lien period established.

g. Approval of Agreements

h. Other Items of Business

   (1) Peter Kirk Community Center HVAC Replacement Project

       Authorization was provided for the signing of funding approval forms allowing the State of Washington General Administration, Division of Facilities, Engineering and Architectural Services to provide Energy Conservation Project Management Services on behalf of the City of Kirkland for the Peter Kirk Community Center HVAC Replacement Project.

Motion to Approve the Consent Calendar.
Moved by Councilmember Mary-Alyce Burleigh, seconded by Councilmember Jessica Greenway
Vote: Motion carried 7-0
Yes: Mayor Jim Lauinger, Deputy Mayor Joan McBride, Councilmember Dave Asher, Councilmember Mary-Alyce Burleigh, Councilmember Jessica Greenway,
Councilmember Tom Hodgson, and Councilmember Bob Sternoff.

9. PUBLIC HEARINGS

a. Bridle View Annexation

Mayor Lauinger opened the public hearing. Senior Planner Joan Lieberman-Brill provided an overview of the key issues. Testimony was provided by:
Dan Winder
Katherine Winder
Rena Peterson
No further testimony was offered and the Mayor closed the hearing.

Motion to direct staff to return with an Ordinance for Council consideration of the Bridle View Annexation.
Moved by Councilmember Mary-Alyce Burleigh, seconded by Councilmember Jessica Greenway
Vote: Motion carried 7-0
Yes: Mayor Jim Lauinger, Deputy Mayor Joan McBride, Councilmember Dave Asher, Councilmember Mary-Alyce Burleigh, Councilmember Jessica Greenway, Councilmember Tom Hodgson, and Councilmember Bob Sternoff.

Council recessed for a short break at 9:02 p.m.

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a. Resolution R-4771, Providing for the Submission to the Qualified Voters of the City of Kirkland at the November 3, 2009, General Election of a Proposition to Increase the Utility Tax Imposed Upon Electrical Energy, Natural Gas, and Telephone Services from 6 Percent to 7.5 Percent in Order to Create a More Sustainable Budget for the Purpose of Maintaining Existing City Services, Including Public Safety and Parks

Council discussed and provided direction to staff on the Utility Tax Ballot Measure Explanatory Statement.

Motion to approve Resolution R-4771, entitled "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KIRKLAND PROVIDING FOR THE SUBMISSION TO THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF THE CITY OF KIRKLAND AT THE NOVEMBER 3, 2009, GENERAL ELECTION OF A PROPOSITION TO INCREASE THE UTILITY TAX IMPOSED UPON ELECTRICAL ENERGY, NATURAL GAS, AND TELEPHONE SERVICES FROM 6 PERCENT TO 7.5 PERCENT IN ORDER TO
CREATE A MORE SUSTAINABLE BUDGET FOR THE PURPOSE OF MAINTAINING EXISTING CITY SERVICES, INCLUDING PUBLIC SAFETY AND PARKS."
Moved by Councilmember Dave Asher, seconded by Councilmember Mary-Alyce Burleigh
Vote: Motion carried 6-1
Yes: Mayor Jim Lauinger, Deputy Mayor Joan McBride, Councilmember Dave Asher, Councilmember Mary-Alyce Burleigh, Councilmember Tom Hodgson, and Councilmember Bob Sternoff.
No: Councilmember Jessica Greenway.

Motion to Approve language for the Private Utility Tax Ballot Measure Explanatory Statement
Moved by Councilmember Dave Asher, seconded by Deputy Mayor Joan McBride
Vote: Motion carried 7-0
Yes: Mayor Jim Lauinger, Deputy Mayor Joan McBride, Councilmember Dave Asher, Councilmember Mary-Alyce Burleigh, Councilmember Jessica Greenway, Councilmember Tom Hodgson, and Councilmember Bob Sternoff.

b. City Council Goals

Intergovernmental Relations Manager Erin Leonhart facilitated Council discussion of goals and performance measures.

c. Flexpass Update and Approving Additional Funds

Public Works Director Daryl Grigsby provided an overview of proposed revisions to the Flexpass program as requested by Council for their consideration.

Motion to approve the staff recommendation.
Moved by Councilmember Dave Asher, seconded by Deputy Mayor Joan McBride
Vote: Motion carried 7-0
Yes: Councilmember Bob Sternoff, Mayor Jim Lauinger, Councilmember Jessica Greenway, Deputy Mayor Joan McBride, Councilmember Mary-Alyce Burleigh, Councilmember Dave Asher, and Councilmember Tom Hodgson.

d. Annexation Ballot Measure Explanatory Statement

Council discussed and provided direction to staff on the Annexation Ballot Measure Explanatory Statement.
Motion to Approve language for the Annexation Ballot Measure Explanatory Statement with a two word change: "to assess."
Moved by Councilmember Mary-Alyce Burleigh, seconded by Deputy Mayor Joan McBride
Vote: Motion carried 7-0
Yes: Mayor Jim Lauinger, Deputy Mayor Joan McBride, Councilmember Dave Asher, Councilmember Mary-Alyce Burleigh, Councilmember Jessica Greenway, Councilmember Tom Hodgson, and Councilmember Bob Sternoff.

Motion to express the City Council's intent to assume the indebtedness of the King County Fire District 41 upon annexation of the currently proposed annexation area.
Moved by Deputy Mayor Joan McBride, seconded by Councilmember Mary-Alyce Burleigh
Vote: Motion carried 7-0
Yes: Mayor Jim Lauinger, Deputy Mayor Joan McBride, Councilmember Dave Asher, Councilmember Mary-Alyce Burleigh, Councilmember Jessica Greenway, Councilmember Tom Hodgson, and Councilmember Bob Sternoff.

11. NEW BUSINESS

a. Annual Review and Appointment of Lodging Tax Advisory Committee Membership

Motion to Reappoint Tom Hodgson as Chair of the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee and to re-examine the selection process for other committee members.
Moved by Councilmember Dave Asher, seconded by Councilmember Jessica Greenway
Vote: Motion carried 4-3
Yes: Mayor Jim Lauinger, Councilmember Dave Asher, Councilmember Jessica Greenway, and Councilmember Tom Hodgson.
No: Deputy Mayor Joan McBride, Councilmember Mary-Alyce Burleigh, and Councilmember Bob Sternoff.

12. ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

13. ADJOURNMENT

The Kirkland City Council special study session and regular meeting of August 4,
2009 was adjourned at 10:39 p.m.

City Clerk

Mayor