Council Meeting Date: December 27, 2005 Agenda Item: 8(d)

## **CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM**

CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON

AGENDA TITLE: Election of Interim Mayor DEPARTMENT: City Manager's Office PRESENTED BY: lan Sievers, City Attorney

## **PROBLEM/ISSUE STATEMENT:**

Section 2.2C in the Council Rules and Procedure provides as follows:

In the event the Mayor is unable to serve the remainder of the term, a new Mayor shall be elected at the next meeting. In the event the Deputy Mayor is unable to serve the remainder of the term, a new Deputy Mayor shall be elected at the next meeting.

Since Ron Hansen resigned as Mayor on December 12, 2005, under the terms of this rule, a new Mayor should be elected at the next meeting. Normally this would not have been a problem since the next meeting was not until January 3, 2006 at which time the Council is scheduled to elect a new Mayor for a full two year term. However, the new Mayor elected at the meeting of December 27 will only serve on an interim basis until new elections on January 3, 2006. Alternatively, if this is not a significant issue for the few remaining days before January 3<sup>rd</sup> the Council may consider suspending this rule under Section 10 of your Rules of Procedure.

## RECOMMENDATION

This is policy and organizational issue for the City Council and staff has no recommendation on the item.

Approved By: City Manager City Attorney \_\_\_

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