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COUNCILOR SIMPSON RECEIVES LEADERSHIP CERTIFICATE

Newcastle City Councilor Carol Simpson has just been awarded a Certificate of Municipal Leadership from the Association of Washington Cities (AWC). Councilor Simpson has completed over 30 hours of training credits to earn this distinction.

The Certified Municipal Leadership Program is designed to enhance the ability of elected officials by providing them with the knowledge and skills required for effective governance. Councilor Simpson attended a variety of workshops and courses on budgeting, land use planning, personnel, and leadership. In addition to broadening knowledge of municipal service, the program also improves relationships with City Council colleagues, City Staff, and residents.

“After serving on the Planning Commission and now the City Council, I feel honored to help shape Newcastle’s present and future,” said Councilor Simpson. “The program is a wonderful opportunity that allows me to improve my leadership skills and continue a path of effective public service in working closely with my community, the Council and City Staff.”

Councilor Simpson was elected to the Newcastle City Council in November 2007 for a 4 year term. She is a member of the Newcastle Chamber of Commerce, the Renton Technical College Foundation, the YWCA “Inspire” Luncheon Committee, Newcastle Trails, and a volunteer for the Hazelwood Elementary Reading Express program.

The AWC is a private, non-profit, non-partisan corporation that represents Washington’s cities and towns before the state legislature, the state executive branch, and regulatory agencies.