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March 10, 2008

Board of Trustees American Society of Landscape Architects 636 Eye Street NW Washington, DC 2001-3736

Dear Trustees:

It is with honor and enthusiasm that I nominate Len Zickler, FASLA, for the ASLA Community Service Award for 2008. For approximately ten years, Len served the citizens of Spokane as Neighborhood Design Planner with the City of Spokane's Department of Community Development and Planning Department. His dedication, enthusiasm and service to our neighborhood planning process provided citizens with the policies and tools to improve their neighborhoods in a participatory and meaningful way. His service to citizens and the community went beyond his professional commitment as an employee. He strived to provide a service of excellence and practical solutions to the community's needs and desires.

Len went the extra mile to serve the Spokane community and was always available to work with the citizens to achieve their goals. Len was an excellent staff resource and was an employer's dream when it came to collaboration. He was a great team leader and motivator and an excellent team participant. He lead by example and served by supporting the team's mission.

Len shared his skills and talents through various volunteer activities during his tenure with the City of Spokane.

I am pleased to be a part of the nomination process. Len is very deserving of the ALSA Community Service Award. He is what one would hope for in a nominee. Len is professional, he is dedicated to his profession, he has unselfishly shared his talents through numerous volunteer efforts through the state and he is a person of honor and integrity.

Sincerely,





## Office of Administration



Mayor Ron Lucas

March 7, 2008

Board of Trustees American Society of Landscape Architects C/O Honors and Awards Coordinator 636 Eye St. NW Washington, DC 20001-3736

RE: Nomination of Len Zickler, FASLA for the ASLA Community Service Award

## Dear Trustees:

It is my pleasure to write this letter of recommendation on behalf of Mr. Len Zickler's nomination for the ASLA Community Service Award for 2008. I have had the pleasure of knowing Mr. Zickler for over 12 years in my capacity as a Public Works Director and Land Use Administrator in three different jurisdictions in western Washington.

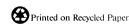
Throughout my nine-year tenure with the City of Milton, Mr. Zickler and his associates at AHBL provided various consulting services and professional assistance to the City. Mr. Zickler was responsible for the completion and adoption of the City's first Growth Management compliant Comprehensive Plan. This Plan included the City's first comprehensive quality land-use standards, first consistent landscape standards, comprehensive trails and open space plan (including a plan to convert abandoned rail and utility right of ways to open space/trails), a parks plan (including plans for a skate park for community youth) and development guidelines. Many times, Mr. Zickler either provided his services at reduced rates or volunteered his services at no cost to the City. He also volunteered his time to write grant proposals and secure funding to assist the City meet the goals and objectives of the Plan. The City of Milton is a better community thanks to the efforts of Mr. Zickler.

Mr. Zickler's contributions to community service should not be underestimated. His passionate pursuit of excellence in community development, low impact development alternatives and "quality of life" attributes in communities throughout the Puget Sound region provides an outstanding example for other professionals to follow. I know of no one more deserving of the honor of the ASLA Community Service Award than Mr. Len Zickler.

Sincerely,

Mark Burlingame

Public Works Director





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March 6, 2008

Board of Trustees American Society of Landscape Architects C/O Honors and Awards Coordinator 636 Eye Street NW Washington, DC 20001-3736

## Dear Trustees:

It is with great enthusiasm that I support and encourage you to recognize Len Zickler, FASLA as an ASLA Community Service Award recipient for 2008.

As a matter of introduction, my name is Debby Hyde. I work directly for the elected Executive of Pierce County Washington as the special project coordinator dealing with environmental issues. It has been in this position that I have had the opportunity to work with and observe the efforts of Len Zickler. These efforts go far beyond the "normal" work hours and compensation.

As we have worked to coordinate the concepts of livable communities, effective and efficient surface transportation, a healthy economy and an environmental stewardship into our County operations, I have found Len a willing and knowledgeable resource. He has given of his time to provide guidance. He has willingly made presentations to community groups to help convey the County's goal. He has made introductions of key practitioners to County staff and has helped coordinate their work to result in a better product for the community. Virtually none of this has been done with compensation. Len truly believes in the concepts he advocates and uses his knowledge to better the community.

If I were going to hand pick a small group of people to work on a project that would holistically address the issue of livable communities, Len Zickler would be included in that group. It would be very satisfying if your professional organization would recognize Len with this award. We would be delighted to join you in recognizing Len for his strong commitment to public service and making our communities better places to live.

Yours truly,

Debora A. Hyde (

Special Project Coordinator