



CITY OF EDGEWOOD

STUDY SESSION MEETING AGENDA SUMMARY

Tuesday, January 16, 2024 – 7:00 PM ♦ City Hall – 2224 104th Avenue East ♦ Edgewood, WA

1 CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Olson called the meeting to order at 7:00pm and led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Mayor Olson, Deputy Mayor Tomin, Councilmember Pazaruski, Councilmember Ramirez, Councilmember Keith, Councilmember West, Councilmember Buckley, Councilmember Southard **Staff Present:** Assistant City Administrator Dave Gray, City Clerk/HR Director Rachel Pitzel, Finance Director Hardeep Goraya, IT Director Matthew Ray, Community and Economic Development Director Lauren Balisky, Public Works Director Jeremy Metzler, Police Chief Jason Youngman, City Attorney Ann Marie Soto

2 COUNCIL BUSINESS

A. Interviews - Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Interviews

Mayor Olson invited each applicant to come to the mic to introduce themselves and answer the Council's questions as to why they decided to volunteer.

B. Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (Trainings, Planning, etc.)

Deputy Mayor Tomin shared the talking points of the subcommittee which had met earlier in the day. They're looking at April 30, 2024, to hold an open house inviting organizations within the community that need volunteers to participate.

C. Development Review

Code Enforcement Manager John Fairbanks reviewed this housekeeping item with the Council.

D. Surplus Items

IT Director Matthew Ray discussed the details and process for surplussing the various items.

E. Park & City Hall Security Upgrades

IT Director Matthew Ray discussed the proposed upgrades in detail and a discussion then ensued between the Council and staff as to what the upgrades would cover and accomplish.

F. Comcast Franchise Agreement and Ordinance

Assistant City Administrator Dave Gray gave an overview of the franchise agreements details, and answered the Council's questions.

G. Interagency Agreement with the WA. State Dept. of Commerce for 2024 Comprehensive Plan Periodic Update

Senior Planner Evan Hietpas reviewed the agreement and a brief discussion then ensued, ending with the decision to move this forward on an upcoming consent agenda for final approval.

H. Meridian Landscape Maintenance Contract Amendment #2

Public Works Director Jeremy Metzler gave a brief explanation for the amendment to this contract, asking that it be placed on the upcoming consent agenda.

I. 5th Tuesday (January 30th) Meeting Topic Ideas

Mayor Olson brought this agenda item forward for discussion, suggesting they use the January 30th date as an opportunity to continue the levy lid lift discussion. Councilmember Keith agreed that educating the public about the reduction in revenue, and how, if not managed appropriately, would eventually result in a reduction of services. Deputy Mayor Tomin suggested reviewing the outreach materials the city previously sent to the citizens to see what could be done differently to reach more of the community on this topic going forward. Councilmember West suggested bringing in someone from the Tacoma Pierce County Health Department to do training on opioid awareness.

J. Strategic Planning - Council Retreat

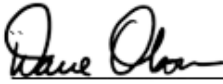
Mayor Olson discussed the details of this annual event with the Council, asking for their opinions on the timing and format as well as topics for discussion. The consensus was a Saturday would be best sometime at the end of February or beginning of March. The suggested topics of discussion were the comprehensive plan, sewer updates, a brainstorming session related to risks within the city, the vision for economic growth, citizen outreach, and the budget,

3 OTHER COUNCIL ITEMS

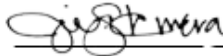
Councilmember Keith, and Deputy Mayor Tomin spoke.

4 ADJOURN

Mayor Olson adjourned the meeting at 8:21pm.



Dave Olson
Mayor



Jill Schwerzler-Herrera
Communications Coordinator/Deputy City Clerk