



CITY OF EDGEWOOD STUDY SESSION MEETING AGENDA SUMMARY

Tuesday, January 30, 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. Levy Lid Lift

Mayor Olson opened the meeting by reading a statement into the record. He explained a Levy Lid Lift is a frequently used option chosen by city councils to increase city revenue in an effort to sustain and or increase necessary government services for their citizens. He went on to explain that in 2023 the council passed a Resolution to send a Levy Lid Lift out to their citizens for approval in the November 7 general election. That proposal failed by a vote of 41/59, but it would be unreasonable to think the council would not reconsider another Resolution in the future. He stated he was in no way advocating that the council proceed with a Resolution but was in fact wishing to start a conversation pertaining to all things Levy Lid Lift.

Finance Director Hardeep Goraya then gave a presentation explaining definitions, levy rates distributions and comparisons, and the impact of a Levy Lid Lift over time.

3 OTHER COUNCIL ITEMS

Deputy Mayor Tomin spoke.

4 ADJOURN

Mayor Olson adjourned the meeting at 8:15pm.

Dave Olson
Mayor

Jill Schwerzler-Herrera
Communications Coordinator/Deputy City Clerk