



**CITY OF EDGEWOOD
COUNCIL STUDY SESSION SUMMARY**

October 2, 2018 – 7:00 PM ♦ City Hall – 2224 104th Avenue East ♦ Edgewood, WA

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Daryl Eidinger, Councilmember John C. West, Councilmember Mark Creley, Deputy Mayor Tyron Christopherson, Councilmember Ryan Day, Councilmember Stephanie Hunter, Councilmember Roseanne Tomin, Councilmember Nate Lowry.

Staff Present: Assistant City Administrator Dave Gray, City Clerk Rachel Pitzel, Community Development Director Darren Groth, Jeremy Metzler Public Works Director, Police Chief Micah Lundborg.

2. COUNCIL BUSINESS

A. Interviews – Economic Development Board Interviews

Community Development Director Darren Groth briefed Council on this agenda item. He noted, in 2012, City Council adopted Ordinance Number 12-0381, which established an Economic Development Advisory Board (EDAB). The EDAB was created to assist and advise City Council in connection with issues and programs involving economic policy, commercial business, land development policy, and business retention. The board is an advisory body with power to recommend policy to City Council.

In an effort to reestablish the EDAB, the City has accepted applications for membership for approximately the past six months. While 10 total applications were received by the City Clerk, two of the applications were from duplicative applicants; as a result, only eight individuals expressed interest in EDAB membership. Of the eight applicants, three withdrew as candidates. The five remaining candidates are here this evening to be interviewed. He introduced the candidates and Council asked the following questions:

1. CM West question – “The Economic Development title- what does it mean to you & what your view for Edgewood is”
2. CM Creley question – “Please give an example of what type of business Edgewood should have, or what is needed here”
3. CM Day question – “What do we as a community need that we don’t already have that prevents businesses from locating here so far”
4. DM Christopherson question – “How would you reach out to business to encourage them to come to Edgewood and be relevant to the changes of today”
5. CM Hunter question – “Council has discussed previously missed use residential business on top with retail below, what is your vision for our cities town center”
6. CM Tomin question – “How would you describe our city to a stranger on a plane”
7. CM Lowry question – “Currently online sales continue to soar including even groceries now, while brick and mortar business continues to decline with some even closing their doors. Given Edgewood residents desire to see more retail offerings how would you propose to bridge this gap”

B. Review/Discussion - Ordinance - Capital Improvement Plan Update

Public Works Director Jeremy Metzler noted the DRAFT CIP represent staffs initial recommendation on project priorities, funding sources, and timelines for implementation. Discussion took place regarding:

- 20% increase that was adopted last week and what that looks like for the CIP
- Grant form State/Federal that provided cities to purchase wetlands
- Land acquisition

C. Review/Discussion - Resolution - SWMP Update Contract Amendment

Public Works Director Jeremy Metzler informed council that this First Amendment allows Herrera and FCS Group to perform additional services related to the SWMP Update for a cost of \$6,031.00. The Surface Water Management Plan (SWMP) Update is fully paid for with Surface Water Utility Funds.

D. Review/Discussion - Resolution – Hall Street Vacation

Public Works Director Jeremy Metzler discussed the City receiving a petition from adjacent landowners to vacate public right-of-way, as dedicated to the public in the Plat of Jovita in 1909. He noted the petitioners are required to pay all costs relating to the street vacation, including: the provision of public notice; cost of an appraisal to determine the value of the area proposed to be vacated; and compensation to the City for the vacation, as noted in EMC Section 12.14.030 and 12.14.070.

Council consensus to set the public hearing to the date listed on the resolution and to place the item on the consent agenda at the next regular meeting for action.

E. Review/Discussion - ATS Contract

Asst. City Administrator Dave Gray noted this has been back and forth between our City Attorney and ATS several times, and ATS noted this was one of the best contracts they have with a city. Discussion took place regarding:

- Price of cameras
- Location of cameras
- Termination fees

Council noted they would like the contract to be looked at again regarding the termination fees, and noted this item should be placed under regular Council Business for further discussion before action at the next regular meeting.

F. Review/Discussion - Community Development Project and Permit Statuses

Community Development Director Darren Groth updated Council regarding ongoing land disturbing projects; review of the permitting and activity project map, and permit activity recap report within the city, and Buxton progress. Buxton progress- and what the next steps will be.

G. Review/Discussion - City Hall Basement Improvement

Public Works Director Jeremy Metzler discussed the lowest qualified bidder for the project as, All Phase Interiors LLC of Shoreline. He noted Gray & Osborne has conducted the background reference investigation that includes checks with the State for outstanding L & I liens, debarment and other governmental work performed and has submitted a letter recommending Council accept the bid. Council consensus was to place the contract on the consent agenda at the next regular council meeting for action.

Council consensus to approve to extend the meeting past 9:00pm.

H. Review/Discussion - City Attorney Employment Agreement

Asst. City Administrator Dave Gray noted the city has the option of hiring outside counsel or a full or part-time city attorney. He noted, if the City would like to change this arrangement and hire Carol Morris as the full-time Edgewood City Attorney, she is willing to do so under the attached Model Employment Agreement for in-house Counsel (IMLA). He mentioned, that Ms. Morris and Mayor Eidinger negotiated a "parachute clause" down from the IMLA model of 12 month' to 6 months salary and benefits.

Discussion took place regarding the "parachute clause", compensation and benefits, as well as work hours. Council consensus was to place this item on the next regular council meeting under regular business for further discussion and action.

I. Discussion (Material provided at meeting) - 2019 Budget Labor Model

Asst. City Administrator Dave Gray presented council with the 2019 Budget Labor Model. Discussion took place regarding added positions, building department funds and position being driven by those numbers, one-time funds; salaries and benefits.

Council consensus was to bring back the labor model in two weeks at a study session that only discussed budget and to leave off any other regular business items.

Chief Lundborg asked if he could bring up the ATS contract quickly that addressed the section regarding a termination fee – Section 16. 1(iii) – For Convenience.

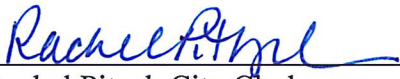
After reading the section, Council agreed that answered their questions about terminations, and there was consensus to keep the contract under the regular council business at the next meeting for action.

3. OTHER COUNCIL ITEMS

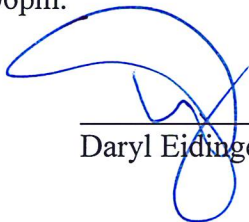
Councilmember Tomynt noted she would like the audio for the meetings up as soon as possible, and perhaps would like a police/procedure set on when it should be uploaded to the website.

4. ADJOURN

Mayor Eidinger adjourned the meeting at 10:06pm.



Rachel Pitzel, City Clerk



Daryl Eidinger, Mayor