



CITY OF EDGEWOOD

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING SUMMARY

May 14, 2019 – 7:00 p.m. ♦ City Hall – 2224 104th Avenue East ♦ Edgewood, WA

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Eidinger called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Scout Justin Yanak led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. SWEARING IN OF NEWLY ELECTED COUNCILMEMBERS

Mayor Eidinger administered the Oath of Office for Councilmember Wise.

Mayor Eidinger recessed the meeting for pictures at 7:02pm

Councilmember Wise took her seat at the dais.

Mayor Eidinger called the meeting back to order at 7:07pm

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Daryl Eidinger (Not voting), Councilmember John C. West, Councilmember Mark Creley, Councilmember Ryan Day, Deputy Mayor Tyron Christopherson, Councilmember Colleen Wise, Councilmember Roseanne Tomin, Councilmember Nate Lowry.

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

Additions/Deletions to the Agenda

An Executive Session was added to the Agenda.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Eidinger stated there was an executive session and noted pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) the City Council will now convene an executive session for the purpose of discussing potential litigation. The Executive Session will last approximately 5 minutes.

Mayor Eidinger recessed the meeting to Executive Session at 7:07pm for 5 minutes.

Mayor Eidinger called the meeting back to order at 7:12pm.

3. PUBLIC HEARING

AB19-016 – Emergency Ordinance No. 19-0547- Emergency Ordinance – Interim Zoning

Mayor Eidinger read the rules for the hearing.

Mayor Eidinger opened the public hearing at 7:15pm.

Community Development Director Darren Groth gave an update on emergency Ordinance No. 19-0547.

Mayor Eidinger asked for public comments.

Reuben Schutz –Spoke about Councils ability to use discretion and requested that they terminate or modify the Ordinance.

Donald Huber – MU property owner asked for clarification on the Ordinance.

Chris VanDyk – Urged the Council to adopt the amended Ordinance.

Alicia Grandborg – Spoke in favor of the interim Ordinance.

Sarah Wagner – Discussed her reasons for supporting the original interim Ordinance.

Linda Howard – Voiced support for the original Ordinance Council brought forward.

David Zehner – Expressed his concerns relating to building in Edgewood.

James Guerrero – Discussed his opinion on the Ordinance and how to move forward.

Justin Younker – Spoke to his support for the adoption amended Ordinance.

Jason Neil – Expressed his support for the prior amendment.

David Vincent – Architect spoke in favor of the amended Ordinance.

John Butler – Voiced his concern for too much growth.

Eric Hampton – Discussed what citizens want the culture of Edgewood future to be.

Shawna Able – Spoke in favor of the amended Ordinance.

Kim Adams – Spoke about property owners selling because they can't afford the sewer assessments.

Jim Schmidt – Spoke about the sewer assessments forcing property owners to sell.

Jason Ramirez – Voiced his desire to have more shopping and dining options in Edgewood.

Mayor Eidinger closed the public hearing at 7:53pm

4. AUDIENCE COMMENT

Cheryl Hurst – Thanked the Mayor for the City's participation with the March of Diapers collecting diapers and wipes.

Jason Ramirez – Requested the Council revisit the IT Director position.

5. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Eidinger spoke about the following:

- Last week Mayor Eidinger was able to take a tour of the new Northwood Elementary. He noted it is amazing to see all the new technology that is being incorporated. He was also able to see some of the safeguards that are in place to prevent unauthorized access. Students from the old school will be amazed at the size of the new facility. The school district plans to demo the old school in late June, to make way for a separate bus lane and loading area.
- Chief Lundborg, Office Assistant Sandi Phillips and Mayor Eidinger met with PC DEM to continue to work on a plan for Edgewood in case of a local or regional event. When major events happen, it is our responsibility to provide leadership and services to our citizens as quickly as possible.
- In the next weeks, the city will be adding staff positions – Associate Planner, Code Compliance Specialist, and Administrative Assistant. He noted the city is looking forward to having these new positions finally filled. He also noted the interviews for Maintenance Tech is happening this week.
- Mayor Eidinger met with Don Nelson of the Mt. View-Edgewood Water District and was introduced to the new general manager Bart Stepp. He noted the city is looking forward to continuing our good working relationship with this new addition to their staff.

- Mayor Eidinger reminded folks that Connect over Coffee is this Saturday at Starbucks

Public Works Director Metzler briefed on the following:

- Puget Sound Energy just completed a conversion of all lights along Meridian to LED
- WSDOT started installing a rumble strip beginning at the bottom of Meridian coming up

Community Development Director Groth briefed on the following:

- Planning Commission the previous evening didn't have a quorum, which will delay some things for Councils review
- Discussed openings on both Planning Commission and the Economic Development Board
- Annual membership for the American Planning Association is coming due asked if council was interested in joining to please let him know so he could get them added

Assistant City Administrator Gray briefed on the following:

- Discussed vacancy on the Salary Commission explaining they won't be meeting in May due to lack of a quorum

Chief Lundborg briefed on the following:

- Pierce County Sheriffs Crime Analysis Unit released their crime stats for the first 1/3 of the year
- Staffing and training updates
- Introduced Patrick Burke who applied for the Sergeants position
- Neighborhood Community Crime Watch program will be discussed in the upcoming magazine.
- Working on Emergency Preparedness will be meeting with Department of Emergency Management next week
- May 15 is National Peace Officers Memorial Day and the calendar week for when May 15 falls is National Police week. So far in 2019 there have been 42 line of duty deaths, 163 in 2018, 877 in the last five years, 1663 in the last ten years, for a total of 23,721 since 1776 all who have died in the line of duty. In Washington state 292 have died, two of those in 2019 alone, and seven of those have been in Pierce County. The scrutiny officer's face, because of the bad apples that are sometimes among them can overshadow the true American Heroes who wear the uniforms and put their lives on the line every day to keep us safe. If you see an officer out there, thank them for what they do, and remember there are more good ones, than the bad you may see on TV.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

The consent agenda includes items that are routine in nature and are adopted by one motion. Should Council wish to discuss a consent agenda item, the item would be removed from the consent agenda and discussed under Council Business.

The following items are presented for Council approval:

- A. Regular City Council Meeting Minutes of April 23, 2019,
- B. Study Session Meeting Minutes of April 30, 2019 2019,
- C. Study Session Meeting Minutes of May 7, 2019.
- D. Review of Commission, Committee and Board meeting minutes of April 2019.
- E. **AB19-017**, a motion approving May 2019 Budgeted Expenditures as follows: Deferred Compensations Program; Payroll Direct Deposit; Dept. of Retirement Systems; AWC

Employee Benefit Trust; and IRS 941 ACHs in the amount of \$124,774.01; and Vendor Check Numbers 23797 through 23822 with EFT and Direct Pay Payments in the amount of \$573,860.51. Adjustment for void check #23783 in the amount of <\$2300.21>. Total distributions submitted for review & authorization in the amount of \$696,334.31.

Motion: As Read, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Deputy Mayor Tyron Christopherson, **Seconded by** Councilmember Roseanne Tomin. **Motion passed unanimously (7-0).**

7. COUNCIL BUSINESS

A. AB19-0547, a motion to adopt a modification to Ordinance No. 19-0547 relating to land use and zoning, adopting an emergency interim zoning ordinance on the acceptance of applications for new residential/multi-family development in the town center, commercial, mixed use residential, and business park zones, for a period of six months, all as allowed by RCW 35A.63.220 and RCW 36.70A.390, establishing a date for the public hearing on the interim zoning ordinance, providing for severability and declaring an emergency necessitating immediate adoption of the interim zoning ordinance.

Community Development Director Groth briefed on the agenda item. Discussion ensued between Council and staff.

Motion: Leave original ordinance as is, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Councilmember Ryan Day, **Seconded by** Deputy Mayor Tyron Christopherson. **Motion passed (6-1, Lowry)**

8. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mayor Eidinger discussed West Valley Highway property. Asked if Councilmembers had a chance to review Councilmember West's article for the magazine.

Councilmember Lowry looking forward to a constructive discussion on the Ordinance next week.

Councilmember Wise thanked those who spoke during the Public Hearing.

Reminded those in attendance about the Friends of the Park rummage sale at the end of the month.

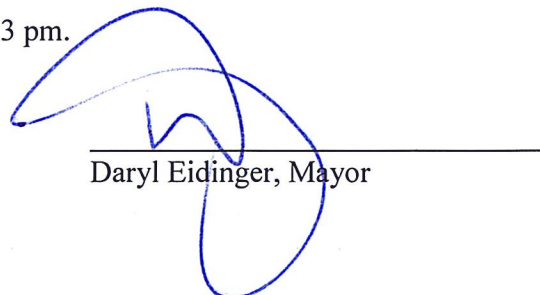
Councilmember West encouraged citizens to volunteer for open positions on boards and commissions.

Councilmember Tomin reminded attendees of Connect over Coffee at Starbucks on Saturday at 8:30.

9. ADJOURN

Mayor Eidinger adjourned the meeting at 8:43 pm.


Jill S. Herrera, Deputy City Clerk/
Communications Coordinator


Daryl Eidinger, Mayor