1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Eidinger called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Deputy Mayor Christopherson led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

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

Staff Present: Assistant City Administrator Dave Gray, Deputy City Clerk Jill Schwerzler-Herrera, Community Development Director Darren Groth, Public Works Director Jeremy Metzler, Police Chief Micah Lundborg.

Additions/Deletions to the Agenda
There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

2. AUDIENCE COMMENT

There were no audience comments.

3. MAYOR’S REPORT

Mayor Eidinger spoke about the following:

- He expressed that he hoped everyone had a great time off during the holidays and noted with the New Year and we have a lot of business and projects on our plates for 2019.
- He recapped the last few weeks, a couple major weather incidents that have affected trees and power in our city:
  - He noted a large area of the city with power outages: Chrisella Road closed at 48th and, 106th closed at 32nd - both are awaiting utility repairs.
  - Nelson Nature Park closed as we had trees down that were a danger to walkers, we just had a couple more cottonwoods fall so more work is necessary and the park is closed.
- Jeremy Metzler and Mayor Eidinger met with Don Nelson to talk about the future move of the Edgewood Windmill, in preparation for construction of the new park. He noted although it is not an element of Phase 1 construction, it could be in our best interest to be prepared if we can work out the logistics.
- Darren Groth and Mayor Eidinger met with representatives of Pierce County Libraries and contractors who will be working on the project across 24th from City Hall, to look at the option of moving the local library to that site. He noted it is still in the very preliminary stages and understand that many factors will determine who will use the commercial space that will be located there.
• City staff also met with a Verizon contractor to look at the possibility of locating at tree shaped cell tower on the west side of the Nelson Farm property to improve cell communications in our region.
• He reminded folks of movie night this Friday, “Peter Rabbit”.

Public Works Director Metzler briefed on the following:
• City-wide road closure updates.
• Information discussed at the Institute of Transportation Engineers conference he attended.

Community Development Director Groth briefed on the following:
• Economic Development Advisory Board meeting agenda and content.

Chief Lundborg briefed on the following:
• Crime incidents;
• Pierce County Sheriff’s Department unveiled a memorial and the renaming of their Firearms Training Center; The Deputy Daniel McCartney Firearms Training Center after Deputy Daniel McCartney who lost his life in the line of duty last year.
• The Citizen Radar program has been successful. Some who have checked out radars have been pleasantly surprised to find cars weren’t going as fast as they had original thought they were.

4. 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 December 11, 2018,
B. Study Session Meeting Minutes of December 8, 2018.
C. AB19-001, a motion Approving December 2018 and January 2019 Budgeted Expenditures as follows: Deferred Compensations Program; Payroll Direct Deposit; Dept. of Retirement Systems; Dept. of Labor and Industry; IRS 941 ACHs; and AWC Employee Benefit Trust in the amount of $182,337.85; and Vendor Check Numbers 23609 through 23647 with EFT Payments in the amount of $1,603,475.74. Total distributions submitted for review & authorization in the amount of $1,785,813.59.
D. AB19-0440, a motion to adopt Resolution No. 19-440, authorizing the Mayor to sign a Sanitary Sewer Easement for the Edgewood Heights Apartment project located at the northeast corner of the intersection of Meridian Avenue East (SR 161) and 20th Street East in Edgewood
E. AB19-0441, a motion to adopt Resolution No. 19-0441, relating to the proposed sidewalk project along 24th and Meridian, authorizing the Mayor to execute the Transportation Improvement Board (TIB) Grant Agreement for related design and construction services
F. AB19-0442, a motion to adopt Resolution No. 19-0442, authorizing the execution of a contract with Thomson Reuters for the provision of Computerized Legal Research Services (Westlaw) for use by the City Attorney for a period of thirty-six months at a rate of $250.00 per month.

Motion: As Read, Action: Approve, Moved by Councilmember Hunter, Seconded by Deputy Mayor Christopherson
Motion passed unanimously (6-0).

5. COUNCIL BUSINESS

A. AB19-002, a motion approving the Office Manager job description.

Motion: As Read, Action: Approve, Moved by Deputy Mayor Christopherson, Seconded by Councilmember Tomyn
Motion passed unanimously (6-0).

6. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Assistant City Administrator Gray briefed the council on the new Family Medical Leave requirements. Council’s direction was to absorb the cost of the 2019 plan and then reevaluate after the first year.

Councilmember Creley asked since the proceeds from sales tax were higher than budgeted could those additional funds be used towards the storm water management plan instead of raising the storm water rates another 20% to make up difference. He inquired as to when video recordings of council meetings would be available.

Deputy Mayor Christopherson proposed if meetings are to be televised council should entertain the idea of setting a dress code in order to better represent the community.

Councilmember Lowry inquired about the legal hours for fireworks on New Year’s Eve.

Councilmember Tomyn volunteered to write the Council Highlights article for the spring edition of the Edgewood Magazine.

7. EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was no executive session.

8. ADJOURN

Mayor Eidinger adjourned the meeting at 7:32 pm.

Jill S. Herrera, Deputy City Clerk

Daryl Eidinger, Mayor