1. CALL TO ORDER
Mayor Eidinger called the study session to order at 7:05pm and he led attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL
Present: Mayor Daryl Eidinger, Deputy Mayor Steve Cope, Councilmember Donna O'Ravez, Councilmember Luke Meyers, Councilmember Tyron Christopherson.
Excused: Councilmember Paul Crowley, Councilmember Stephanie Shook.
Staff Present: Acting City Manager Eric Phillips, Assistant City Manager Dave Gray, Acting City Clerk Jane Montgomery, Police Chief Ed Knutson.

2. COUNCIL BUSINESS

Acting City Manager Phillips briefed the Council on this agenda item. The Council had requested that the City’s service providers come and give them an update and have informal discussions. Mt. View Edgewood Water Company and new Manager Jackie Masters and her staff are first on the agenda. Acting City Manager Phillips turned the discussion over to Jackie Masters.

Mayor Eidinger started the discussion by asking Ms. Masters what the Water Company’s plan was to keep up with the increase in development in the City.

Jackie Masters addressed the Mayor and Council about the following topics:
- Mt. View Edgewood Water Company has a surplus of water and are running at about half capacity in spite of the long hot days that the area has been experiencing;
- Edgewood’s water comes from Aquaphors and not surface water, and that is why there is not a shortage of water;
- Water trends in the last 45 days;
- Storage systems;
- Distribution systems;
- Water main replacement on 122nd;
- Communication between the City and the Water Company;
- Chip Sealing program- praised the work the City crew did to mark the valves and keep them uncovered;
- Members- 2,997 current customers and 3,194 memberships available;
- The cost of a membership- $7,000;
- Quality of water after flooding on the west side of Lake Chalet and septic tank overflow- Not a problem the aquaphor naturally filters water;
- Creating a consistent schedule for the City to meet with the Water Company;
- Reciprocal water agreement between the City and Mt. View Edgewood Water Company;
- Fire Department rating of the City;
- ADU’s and water meters;
• Best Water Award and how to get that message out;
• Emergency Management Plan;
• Sample tests of water;
• Water Company agreements with other City’s;
• Long range planning.

The City will work to meet with the Water Company on a regular basis.

B. Discussion: Bud Backer, Fire Chief - East Pierce Fire & Rescue

Acting City Manager Phillips started the discussion on this agenda item and he stated that he appreciated Chief Backer coming to the meeting to introduce himself and share his plan with Council. He also stated that he appreciated the increased level of communication between the City and the Fire Department.

Chief Bud Backer introduced himself to the Council and indicated that he had been in the Fire Service for 30 years. He gave a brief biography which covered his career history, and career highlights. He shared from a power point document that had been distributed to the Council which highlighted the following topics:

Personnel Costs;
• Ways to reduce cost;
• Additional firefighters/Medics needed;
• Rapid growth in Edgewood, Milton, Sumner.

Vehicles and Facilities- need to catch up;
• Apparatus;
• Facility remodel, replace and possibly combine.

Deployment Model
• Can it be done more efficiently?

Funding
• Options for additional revenue;
  ✓ Lid Lifts
  ✓ EMS Levies
  ✓ Bonds
  ✓ M & O Levy
  ✓ Benefit Charge

Fireworks

Discussion followed between the Council and Chief Backer in regard to the topics of discussion.

Chief Knutsen thanked Chief Backer for support that his officers were given on a fire call at 32nd and 106th, performing traffic control.

Council expressed that the biggest concern has been a disconnect between the Fire Department and the Community. The Mayor hopes that will change and everyone will feel like they are part of the same Community. Chief Backer agreed, and is taking steps to fix the disconnect. He plans to have an open
house in the community, and be part of the Santa event at the City. There will be a drive to expand the Volunteer program at the Fire Department.

Acting City Manager Phillips asked Chief Backer if he would consider meeting with the City Council on a consistent basis once a month and gave him an open invitation to do that.

The potential to have a significant fire in the City was discussed and a recent fire on the south hill of Puyallup.

C. Project Updates/Discussion:
   Staffing update
   Grant Projects/Plans - Jovita
   Annual work program items – streets, stormwater, development, maintenance
   Dogwood Meadows DA extinguishment
   Other

Acting City Manager Phillips introduced this agenda item and briefly touched on the following:
- The Building Inspector Position has been advertised for a couple of months but a suitable candidate has not been found;
- The road crew will be out striping in the next couple of days;
- Drainage project paving being completed this week;
- 25th Street Road closure;
- Development Agreement.

COUNCIL COMMENTS
Deputy Mayor Cope made a recommendation that due to the increase in development that Dean Mundy be increased from part time to full time. Deputy Mayor Cope also praised Dean Mundy’s work ethic and his excellent relationship with the citizens of the Community.

Acting City Manager Phillips stated that he has made an offer this week for the full time Building Official position, with an effective date of August 4th, 2015 and a start date of September 8th.

3. ADJOURN

Mayor Eidinger adjourned the meeting at 9:07pm.

Jane Montgomery, Acting City Clerk, CMC          Daryl Eidinger, Mayor