

**EDGEWATER CITY COUNCIL
BUSINESS MEETING & WORK SESSION
MINUTES
March 5, 2024**

ITEM 1. BUSINESS MEETING CALL TO ORDER

ITEM 2. Roll Call

Present: Mayor, Steve Conklin, Council Member Joie Iten (arrived at 6:33pm), Council Member, John Thomsen, Council Member, Lilly Stierer, Council Member, Kali Janda, Council Member, Hannah Gay Keao, and Council Member, Mercedes Valdez.

Absent: Council Member Bill Berg

Also Present: City Manager, Dan Maples, Deputy City Manager/Community Development Director, Jocelyn Mills, Finance Director, Ariany Young, Community Services Director, Kit Lammers, Police Chief, Eric Sonstegard, and City Attorney, Carmen Beery.

ITEM 3. Pledge of Allegiance

ITEM 4. Consent Agenda

1. Approval of Agenda
2. Minutes of February 20, 2023
3. City Council Rules of Procedure

Council Member Gay Keao made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, as presented. Seconded by Council Member Steirer and passed unanimously.

With the approval of the City Council Rules of Procedure, Mayor Conklin amended the Agenda by moving Public Comment up on the Agenda to appear after Item 4 – Consent Agenda.

ITEM 5. Public Comment (Non-Agenda Items)

Larry Welshon, Edgewater Citizen mentioned there are a number of items coming up at the State House that he thinks are detrimental to Home Rule Cities. Edgewater is a very small town and a lot of what is coming from the State will have deleterious effects on this small community. He encourages Council Members to keep an eye on those issues and to speak up and represent Edgewater.

ITEM 6. Communications from the City Manager, and Staff

City Manager, Dan Maples mentioned staff is working improving the layout of monthly reports included in Council's meeting packets.

ITEM 7. Communication from Boards, Commissions and Membership Organizations

Mayor Conklin reported DRCOG will be holding virtual Special Business meeting to discuss legislative issues happening at the State House. He participated in the CC4CA legislative call. Found that to be very helpful, hearing from communities around the State in terms of issues coming forward. The Metro Mayor's Group met as well and did a press conference at the Capitol for the introduction piece of legislation on construction defect. Continued working on the Jeffco Steering Committee on middle housing. He and City Manager Maples will be attending the Jeffco Commissioner's Breakfast on Thursday. Anyone on the Council is welcome to attend.

ITEM 8. Presentations and Awards

None

ITEM 9. Resolution 2024-04

Council Member Janda made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-04, A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND THE JEFFERSON COUNTY R-1 SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR THE SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER PROGRAM, as presented. Seconded by Council Member Valdez and passed unanimously.

ITEM 10. General Business

1. Volunteer Fire Fighter's Pension Board - Rules of Procedure

Council Member Steirer made a motion to approve the Volunteer Fire Fighter's Pension Board Rules of Procedure, as presented. Seconded by Council Member Thomsen and passed unanimously.

ITEM 11. Public Comment

None

ITEM 12. Mayor and Council Comments

Council Member Valdez – this was a great meeting tonight. Happy to be here.

Council Member Gay Keao – complemented the public comment timer. I looked awesome. Asked citizen Larry Welshon for specifics on the legislative issues, she would be happy to testify at the State House on behalf of the community. Expressed her appreciation to the City Clerk and the County Clerk for managing the election today. Is always impressed with how efficient that all goes in Colorado and in this County.

Council Member Janda gave a quick shoutout to staff for being amazing communicators and lovely people. She hears from the community glowing feedback about Edgewater and how issues are resolved quickly. So proud to be on Council and a community member. Mentioned the basketball season just ended over the weekend and wanted to give a special thanks to Lindsay and Nick for coordinating the kids to go down and play tic tac toe during the Regis basketball game halftime. Thanked everyone involved for the special activities for kids and for people of all ages.

Council Member Steirer had the privilege of meeting Shaima, the new Sustainability Coordinator. Thanked Jocelyn for the effortless transition from Paige to Shaima. Attended the Tree seminar with the Jefferson County Master Gardeners. Mentioned the indoor seedling planting seminar this week.

Council Member Thomsen attended his first HARP meeting and expressed his appreciation for them welcoming him to that meeting and wanted to highlight they work they are doing around the Orum House, making sure it stays clean and dusted and trying to catalog and organize a lot of the items there. Also, their continued work on the Edgewater History Book and their talks on a Spanish translation and an ebook.

Council Member Iten thanked staff for their hard work and encourages everyone to meet Erica with PD, she is amazing.

Mayor Conklin attended the memorial for Kent Johnson this weekend there in the Council Chambers along with City Manager Maples. The room was packed with attendees from West Metro Fire, past Edgewater Firefighters, family, and acquaintances. The family appreciated the staff's willingness and work they put into having the memorial service here in Edgewater. He would like to get West Metro Fire in front of Council soon, to give an update. Thanked City staff for coordinating the County Clerk, Amanda Gonzales' attendance at Coffee and Conversation to answer voter questions. Talked briefly about the Home Rule question. Today was the construction of defect law, tomorrow is the transportation-oriented communities bill that will get its first reading. The ADU Bill the Parking Bill were heard last week. He did testify, as a resident, on the ADU Bill, explaining what

the Edgewater Community is like and unique from other communities. Various organizations are calling attention to trying to make smart decisions at the State level that help with the various issues being faced. They are encouraging the State to view local communities as partners and not the enemy. There are several communities that are very anxious to be a partner.

ITEM 13. Discussion of Upcoming Agendas 7:02 pm

ITEM 14. BUSINESS MEETING ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Conklin adjourned the Business Meeting at 7:06 pm

The principal purpose of a Workshop is to consider and discuss, but not take formal action concerning, matters that may come before the Council for formal action thereafter.

ITEM 15. WORK SESSION CALL TO ORDER 7:16 pm

ITEM 16. Public Comment

ITEM 17. General Business 7:16 pm

1. Briefing on Proposition 122 – Natural Medicine Health Act
2. Rental Policies
 - a. Short Term Rental
 - b. Rental Registration
 - c. Tenant Complaints

ITEM 18. Mayor and Council Comments 8:06 pm

ITEM 19. WORK SESSION ADJOURNMENT 8:07 pm