# REDMOND CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - PUBLIC SAFETY MEETING SUMMARY

Council Conference Room 15670 NE 85<sup>th</sup> Street, Redmond, Washington

Tuesday, October 15, 2019

#### Council

Steve Fields, Presiding Officer
Jeralee Anderson (not in attendance.)
Angela Birney
David Carson
Hank Margeson
Hank Myers (not in attendance.)
Tanika Padhye

#### Staff

Darrell Lowe, Police Chief Don Horton, Deputy Fire Chief Scott Turner, Assistant Fire Marshal Cheryl Xanthos, MMC, City Clerk

Convened: 4:30 p.m.

Adjourned 5:15 p.m.

Presiding Officer Steve Fields called the meeting to order, reviewed attendance, and overviewed the agenda.

## **Community Conversation with Chief Lowe**

Mr. Darrell Lowe, Police Chief, introduced himself; previously worked in Santa Monica; and started with the City on October 7, 2019. Chief Lowe responded to Councilmember inquiries regarding:

- light rail issues;
- traffic safety includes increasing lighting;
- community engagement through respect and officer contact;
- Budgeting by Priorities;
- School Resource Officers impact on youth in the community;
- engagement with the school district;
- social media outreach; and
- communicating early and often.

### Fire Prevention Performance Measure Review - Q3 2019

Mr. Don Horton, Deputy Fire Chief, and Mr. Scott Turner, Fire Marshal, provided a report on the Fire Prevention Inspection Program:

- development inspection performance;
- reflective of how active the development community is;
- on time review 90 percent of the time;
- Fire Life Safety inspections in commercial buildings; and
- Operations inspections.

General discussion ensued regarding causes of being late – needing additional information; application review checklist to avoid missing information during review period; how long inspections take; performance measurement challenges; improvement processes undertaken; Fire Prevention Week; high risk multi-family buildings; and providing smoke detectors and changing batteries.