

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

Remote Meeting

Tuesday, February 16, 2021

Council

Varisha Khan, Presiding Officer (*not in attendance*)
Tanika Padhye
Jeralee Anderson (*4:37 p.m.*)
David Carson
Steve Fields
Jessica Forsythe
Vanessa Kritzer

Staff

Tim Gately, Police Captain
Rich Gieseke, Acting Fire Marshal
Darrell Lowe, Police Chief
Jim Whitney, Battalion Chief
Todd Short, Fire Marshal

Cheryl Xanthos, MMC, City Clerk

Convened: 4:30 p.m.

Adjourned 5:33 p.m.

Council President Tanika Padhye called the meeting to order and reviewed attendance.

Approve Interlocal Agreement to Provide Law Enforcement Mutual Aid for an Independent Force Investigation Team -King County (IFIT-KC)

Tim Gately, Police Captain, reported to the Members of the Committee:

- Independent investigations for King County agencies;
- Use of force;
- Community involvement;
- Take effect upon signing; and
- Being in compliance with the law.

General discussion ensued regarding timeline; community involvement process; Council oversight; automatic renewal; benefits; process; transparency; two-year terms; qualifications; number of cases; past practices; volunteer requirements; and this item is approved to go forward on the consent agenda for Council action.

Fire Save versus Loss Report (4Q2020)

Adrian Sheppard, Fire Chief, and Rich Gieseke, Acting Fire Marshal, reported to the Members of the Committee:

- Number of fire incidents;
- Brushfire trend;
- Investigated structure fires;
 - Multi-family unit;
 - Dumpster;
 - Single-family;

- Commercial; and
- Motor home.

General discussion ensued regarding investigation timeline.

COVID-19 Update

Jim Whitney, reported to the Members of the Committee:

- Infection rates;
- Indoor settings;
- Messaging;
- Variants;
- Key indicators;
- Vaccinations;
- Capacity;
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General discussion ensued regarding additional precautions; communicating to residents; masking after getting a vaccination;