

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

Remote Meeting

Tuesday, April 20, 2021

Council

Varisha Khan, Presiding Officer
Tanika Padhye
Jeralee Anderson
David Carson
Steve Fields (4:33 p.m.)
Jessica Forsythe
Vanessa Kritzer

Staff

Darrell Lowe, Police Chief
Carol Helland, Director of Planning and Community
Development
Todd Short, Acting Deputy Fire Chief
Adrian Sheppard, Fire Chief
Tom Langton, Acting Deputy Fire Chief
Tisza Rutherford, Homeless Outreach Administrator
Cheryl Xanthos, MMC, City Clerk

Convened: 4:30 p.m.

Adjourned 5:48 p.m.

Presiding Officer Varisha Khan called the meeting to order and reviewed attendance.

Approval of the Police Department Wellness & Resiliency Coordinator Contract with inLife Clinic LLC, in an Amount Not-to-Exceed \$75,000

Darrell Lowe, Police Chief, reported to the Members of the Committee: this is a renewal of an existing contract and reflects a change in market prices.

General discussion ensued regarding working with all of the first responders; training required; renewal provision; benefit; continuing existing program; best practices; and this is requested to go forward for Council action on May 4, 2021.

Approval of a Contract for Installation of Security Fencing at Fire Station 11 in the Amount of \$74,000

Tom Langton, Acting Deputy Fire Chief, reported to the Members of the Committee: not anticipated during construction of the Fire Station; houses a training and drill site; and security breaches.

General discussion ensued regarding cost of the fencing; mitigation; area to be fenced; impact on response time; proactively addressing issues; demographics; and this is requested to go forward for Council action on May 4, 2021.

Incident Debrief for Sixty-01 Structure Fire

Todd Short and Tom Langton, Acting Deputy Fire Chiefs, reported to the Members of the Committee:

- 911 call;
- No fire safety system installed;
- 28 fire apparatus and five different fire departments;
- No injuries;
- Several units were damaged and occupants were displaced;
- Most multi-family buildings in the City do not have sprinklers;
- Fire damaged structures are re-building without fire sprinklers;
- Code changes; and
- Unattended cooking is the number one cause of fires.

General discussion ensued regarding proposed code changes; displacement; comprehensive review; providing assistance; training for 911 call response; and affordability.

Homeless Outreach Program Quarterly Update

Carol Helland, Director of Planning and Community Development, and Tisza Rutherford, Homeless Outreach Administrator, reported to the Members of the Committee:

- Outreach services;
- Cold weather response;
- Encampment app;
- Community Court;
- Connecting individuals to resources;
- Community service hours;
- Referrals for vaccinations; and
- Program challenges.

General discussion ensued regarding people exiting the criminal justice system; vaccine access; and housing needs.