

**EDMONDS CITY COUNCIL MEETING
APPROVED MINUTES
January 28, 2020**

ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT

Mike Nelson, Mayor
Adrienne Fraley-Monillas, Council President
Kristiana Johnson, Councilmember
Diane Buckshnis, Councilmember
Vivian Olson, Councilmember
Susan Paine, Councilmember
Laura Johnson, Councilmember
Luke Distelhorst, Councilmember (seated at 9:32 p.m.)

STAFF PRESENT

Patrick Doherty, Econ. Dev & Comm. Serv. Dir.
Scott James, Finance Director
Shannon Burley, Deputy Parks & Recreation Dir.
Jeff Taraday, City Attorney
Scott Passey, City Clerk
Jerrie Bevington, Camera Operator
Jeannie Dines, Recorder

ALSO PRESENT

Zach Bauder, Student Representative

1. CALL TO ORDER/FLAG SALUTE

The Edmonds City Council meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Nelson in the Council Chambers, 250 5th Avenue North, Edmonds. The meeting was opened with the flag salute.

2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Councilmember K. Johnson read the City Council Land Acknowledge Statement: “We acknowledge the original inhabitants of this place, the Sdohobsh (Snohomish) people and their successors the Tulalip Tribes, who since time immemorial have hunted, fished, gathered, and taken care of these lands. We respect their sovereignty, their right to self-determination, and we honor their sacred spiritual connection with the land and water.”

3. ROLL CALL

City Clerk Scott Passey called the roll. All elected officials were present.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

COUNCIL PRESIDENT FRALEY-MONILLAS MOVED, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER BUCKSHNIS, TO APPROVE THE AGENDA IN CONTENT AND ORDER. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

5. PRESENTATIONS

1. PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING EDMONDS LIONS CLUB FLAG DAY.

Mayor Nelson read a proclamation declaring January 20, 2020 as Lions Club Flag Day. He presented the proclamation to Bobby Mills, President, Edmonds Lions Club along with several members of the Lions Club who were present.

Mr. Mills said he started the flag program 30 years ago. The first year they were not able to get flags from senators so they borrowed flags from Evergreen Washelli. He thanked the merchants who participate in the program and relayed his appreciation to those who thank them for putting up the flags. He invited any businesses interested in participating in the program to contact the club.

2. YOUTH COMMISSION ANNUAL REPORT

Youth Commission Chair Kaleb Nichols recognized several members of the Youth Commission in the audience. He reviewed:

- Ordinance forming the commission:
 - City of Edmonds is a youth led commission whose mission is to protect, preserve, and enhance the quality of life for Edmonds youth by advising City Council and the public on issues relating to youth policies, programs and opportunities.
- How did we strive to reach these goals?
 - Youth forums
 - Looking into ways to give back
 - Food drive
 - Kate Parker Clothing Drive
 - Looking into ways to make Edmonds more youth friendly with the Puget Sound Regional Council
- Why Forums
 - Data
 - Better representation
 - Opportunities for students to get involved without being seated on the commission
- What did we learn at youth forums?
 - The most popular topics were:
 - LGBTQ Issues
 - Mental Healthy
 - Diversity/Racism
 - The most requested topics were:
 - Mental Health
 - Climate Change
 - Most effective advertising tools:
 - Word of mouth
 - School
 - Instagram
- Our first year:
 - The Edmonds Youth Commission took our first year to gain a footing. We learned how to plan successful events, interact with the community, reach out to the press, and lead productive meetings. As none of the membership had been seated on a volunteer commission before, this took practice.
 - However, we still got a lot done! We planned forums based on the data we received from our general forum. We looked into new avenues to get involved in our community, which led us to working with the local environmental groups and city groups such as the Diversity Commission.

Councilmember Buckshnis said bravo, recalling members of the Youth Commission also helped with Tree Board and Students Saving Salmon activities. She looked forward to having youth forums when the Edmonds Waterfront Center opens.

Council President Fraley-Monillas thanked the members for spending their time and energy on the Youth Commission. It is good for the City to get feedback from young people who are the next generation.

Councilmember Paine thanked the Youth Commission for their presentation, commenting one of the most important aspects of the committee was helping the community find ways to better serve youth.

Councilmember Olson was glad to have the Youth Commission at the Council meeting so that members are more comfortable approaching the Council with issues whether they are youth related or not.

Councilmember L. Johnson said she was excited to be new Council liaison to the Youth Commission, commenting it was her number one pick. She is the mom of three teens; teens and young adults inspire her as well as challenge her to expand her viewpoint. She was excited to learn from the Youth Commission, help elevate their voices and looked forward to next Wednesday's meeting.

Councilmember K. Johnson welcomed the Youth Commission and applauded their contribution to the City. She asked about the commission's plans for the coming year. Mr. Nichols said they have a climate forum planned as well as more community events.

Mayor Nelson said the Youth Commission rocks and urged them to keep up the good work.

6. AUDIENCE COMMENTS

Wendy Shaw, Edmonds, said she was here, along with several members of SEUI 1199 who are in the midst of a strike, to explain why they were striking and what it means to the public. Some may ask why would Swedish caregivers leave patients in the care of temporary workers, what is so bad that over 80,000 stood up to Swedish Providence to tell them it was enough? Sometimes allowing a hospital to continue on its current path is more harmful than negative consequences resulting from a strike. In such instances and when all other alternatives have been exhausted, they were called to act collectively on behalf of their patients. The number one reason they are striking is safe staffing. They are striking because Swedish Providence would not put into contractual language safe staffing ratios because they feared it would cost them profits because one of the biggest costs for a hospital is staffing. Lack of safe staffing means longer wait times for medicines to be administered, for inpatient hospital rooms to be readied and a decrease in front line infection control when a room is not cleaned properly. Staff can only continue their consistent apologies to patients in their care when they do not have safe staffing ratios. As a charge nurse in the ER in downtown Seattle, she attests to the daily stress in the ED, but could no longer accept a lack of staff to watch dangerous patients that have choked and spit on them, threatened their lives, and sexually assaulted them in their unit. They can no longer turn a blind eye to patients in crisis with suicidal, homicidal and drug addiction psychosis without the necessary staff to ease their emotional trauma and to keep caregivers and other patients safe. They have all had to work in a workplace with violence; a woman recently served three months in King County Jail for threatening her and her family with a gun followed by a restraining order. She also saw a lady sexually assaulted in a hallway among patients and staff. Caregivers work very long days with over 80% driving from other cities, many do not get breaks during their 12½ hour shifts. Management has refused to bargain with them in good faith, saying Swedish gives the best care in the nation, extraordinary care, but they need to realize that those who walked out on strike are ones providing that care. She asked for the public's understanding and support.

Christina Estrada, an employee of Seattle Cherry Hill ER, provided a perspective of how, what and why they endure. Some caregivers worry about the patients they were unable to spend time with, the charting

they failed to do, the near misses that could have led to disastrous mistakes. They worry about the safety of their patients, their co-workers, as well as their own safety. They worry about how they will be able to fulfill their roles, prevent the spread of infection and falls, medication errors, illnesses, decompensation and death, who is available to do compressions if their patient codes, what they might have missed on their last shift, if the next shift will be just as overwhelming as the last. Some cry before, during, and after work and between shifts because they are scared, stressed, miss their families. They do not deserve the abuses they face on a daily basis because they are what makes the organization run. Yet they are devalued and disrespected. Some caregivers bottle it up until it burns them out; they stay silent because they fear retaliation, do not want patients to know how little time they have for them, how stressed and rushed they feel, or how inadequately they are being cared for. Caregivers endure this because they care about their patients, coworkers, communities, patient's family members and their own families. They want to do right by the community and are advocates by profession, skillfully trained to care for the most vulnerable. Their work is driven by passion, not greed. They are committed, putting their physical and mental health on the line every day for Swedish, yet they are not heard and are ignored. Caregivers work harder and harder every day with less. They are tired of putting on an act for Swedish administrators; patients and the community deserve to know. What they are asking for are needs, not wants. They are striking because they are committed to the safety of patients, staff and the communities served by Swedish.

Connie Tom, an employee at Cherry Hill Swedish, said Swedish is where she and her family and friends receive care and where she was offered her first job in the ED after graduation. She has learned precious life lessons as a nurse in the ER; caregivers often see the best and worst in people and learn to support patients with a newly terminal diagnosis, to support families. Caregivers witness the dichotomy of those who would give anything to live another day and those who have lost all hope and made an attempt to die. They learn to console and comfort people at their most vulnerable moments in life, often meeting people at their rock bottom. Caregivers advocate for patient rights and protect their dignity, doing what they do because they care, not so they can be millionaires. Yet it is frustrating not to have a system in place for better care, to be stretched so thin they do not have time to listen and make people feel valued. It is upsetting when they know someone is in pain but they cannot provide care sooner and embarrassing not to be able to answer calls bells in time for patients to make it to the bathroom. It is heartbreaking that little is done when caregivers express concern with safety. Many of the consequences of short staffing fall on the ER staff; when floors are short staffed and full, patients stay in the ER a long time. Last week a patient remained in the ER for over 82 hours. A hospital-wide shortage of staff results in long wait times for those seeking care. Patients get mad after waiting 4-5 hours and caregivers continually say sorry, we're doing our best. Too often the ER is dangerously overcrowded and understaffed, and by God's grace no serious harm happens. Research shows quality of care drops when caregivers are burned out and communities suffer. Swedish management is saving money in the wrong areas, resulting in net loss due to a lack of commitment to safety and staff retention. According to a 2016 national healthcare retention staffing report, the average cost of turnover can be up to \$58,000/nurse. A price cannot be put on patient harm; according to the World Health Organization, it is more dangerous to go to a hospital than to travel by air. The risk of patient death due to preventable medical accident is estimated to be 1 in 300; the aviation industry has a better safety record than healthcare. She urged the public to support the caregivers of Swedish.

Amy Lynn, Marysville, an employee in the Swedish Edmonds ER, said Swedish Providence has made a big deal about striking caregivers asking for money and that their biggest focus is a wage increase. That is not true, their biggest focus is patient and staff safety, staff retention and recruitment. She has worked in healthcare since 1999; her focus has always patient care. When she started working at Swedish in 2012, she did not think the union was needed, that administration's focus was on patient care and that they responded to concerns. That is no longer the case and that began about the time Providence and Swedish affiliated. She grew up in Edmonds going to Stevens Hospital, now Swedish Edmonds. She would still choose to have care at Swedish because the people she works with have a heart for their patients but as an employee she is disheartened because that is not what they receive from above. The ER needs more ER techs, more nurses,

and more support, but they have not been heard. As a result of an anonymous report a few months ago, DNB, an accreditation company, gave the hospital four hours to fix problems or their accreditation would be revoked due to safety. She summarized that is why they are striking.

Numerous other medical personnel were also present.

Kelly Williams, Edmonds, said he has been a patient at Edmonds Swedish and Cherry Hill and thanked the caregivers for all they do. He referred to the rollout of 5G, explaining the federal government has fast-tracked the fifth generation rollout, apparently in an effort to beat the Chinese. 5G is a substantial leap in wireless technology and will require all new infrastructure in the community and in outer space with the launch of 22,000 satellites. A very complex and multifaceted issue, it promises improved smartphones, smart houses, smart appliances, driverless cars, smart streetlights and facial recognition potential, download movies in seconds, 100 times faster than the current wireless system. It will require hundreds of thousands if not millions of new, different sensors just in Snohomish and King Counties. Small cell towers, smaller than electrical transformers, will be placed every 200-500 feet, every 2-5 houses in communities as well as on existing telephone poles, streetlights and other structures, potentially next to schools, daycares and churches. Children are particularly susceptible to wireless radiation, more than adults. The question is whether 5G is hazardous to health. The answer appears to be the existing systems do cause serious health issues. Over 14,000 studies have been done on wireless technology such as Dr. Martin Paul, a professor emeritus of biochemistry at Washington State University, an expert on the issue. The conclusion of the studies is that wireless radiation causes the following health issues: attacks cellular DNA, causes cancer, Alzheimer's, depression, diabetes, lowers fertility rates, affects hormonal and health issues, and nearly every human bodily system. A new 5G system emits 20x more radiation energy than existing 4G systems and will considerably exacerbate health issues. Lloyds of London and Swiss RE, the two large insurance companies, will not cover product liability of wireless companies because they expect too many lawsuits caused by the expected health issues. He concluded there are a lot of moratoriums on 5G around the world and in Washington State.

Mona Williams, Edmonds, a retired educator with over 40 years of experience in programs from preschool through graduate school and a doctorate in special ed, recalled listening to a symposium about 5G wireless. She displayed an example of what the 5G towers will look like, including one right outside their window on Walnut Street. She doubted it would be an asset to the community. The United States is the only country that is not doing research and the government simply passed it. Belgium has said they do not want their people to be guinea pigs. She recognized 5G will bring a lot of data together; she referenced a slideshow someone created of her 1-year old granddaughter with photographs throughout the year. She referred to a January 1, 2019 article in an Everett newspaper, Health Affects Raise Concerns. She is the oldest surviving cousin in her family; people are dying earlier and more cancers exist. 5G will be much stronger and provide faster internet. She suggested a moratorium to review the data.

7. **APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

COUNCIL PRESIDENT FRALEY-MONILLAS MOVED, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER BUCKSHNIS, TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. The agenda items approved are as follows:

1. **APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**
2. **APPROVAL OF CLAIM CHECKS**
3. **ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF CLAIM FOR DAMAGES**
4. **NOVEMBER 2019 MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT**

5. EXTENSION OF INTERIM PARKS DIRECTOR APPOINTMENT
 6. APPROVAL OF WEB SYSTEMS ANALYST JOB DESCRIPTION
 7. APPROVAL OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & COMMUNITY SERVICES JOB DESCRIPTIONS
 8. AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE (1) 2020 ELGIN CROSSWIND J STREET SWEEPER
 9. BLUE STAR GAS SUPPLY AGREEMENT
 10. CONFIRM APPOINTMENT FOR BOARD & COMMISSION
8. **COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS**
1. MONTHLY COUNCIL SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS AND MINUTES

Finance Committee

Council President Fraley-Monillas reported on topics the committee discussed:

- November 2019 Monthly Financial Report – approved on Consent Agenda
- Discuss 2020 Finance Committee Work Plan
 - Staff interested in what Council, staff and citizens want to see in monthly financial reports

Parks & Public Works (PPW) Committee

Councilmember Paine reported on topics the committee discussed:

- Blue Star Gas Supply Agreement – approved on Consent Agenda
- Authorization to Purchase (1) 2020 Elgin Crosswind J Street Sweeper – approved on Consent Agenda
- Presentation of a Grant Agreement with Department of Ecology for the Seaview Park Infiltration Facility Phase 2
- Discussion Regarding Impacts of I-976

Public Safety, Personnel & Planning (PSPP) Committee

Councilmember K. Johnson reported on topics the committee discussed:

- Renewal of Interim Parks & Rec Director Appointment – approved on Consent Agenda
- Job Descriptions in 2020 Budget
 - Public Information Officer/Communications Strategist – approved on Consent Agenda
 - Web System Analyst - – approved on Consent Agenda
 - Crime Prevention/Community Engagement Coordinator – requires union approval
 - Human Services Program Manager
 - WWTP Operator in Training – requires union approval
 - Field Arborist – return to PSPP Committee

9. **ACTION ITEM**

1. **DELIBERATIONS AND POTENTIAL ACTION ON APPOINTMENT OF COUNCIL POSITION #2**

City Clerk Scott Passey explained he will conduct the action portion of this item which includes the nomination and ballot process. He will describe that following any Council deliberation/discussion.

Councilmember Olson asked if Councilmembers would have an opportunity to make statements at the time nominations are made or should that be done now. Mr. Passey said there were no fixed rules, it was whatever the Council wanted to do. City Attorney Jeff Taraday said historically once there is a slate of nominees, the meeting chair can recognize a Councilmember that requests to be recognized which could occur before the first ballot. There is always an opportunity to seek to be recognized by the chair to speak on behalf of a Councilmember's nominee.

Councilmember Olson requested when making nominations, Councilmembers have an opportunity before the vote to explain their nomination and to comment on nominations made by other Councilmembers. Councilmembers agreed with Councilmember Olson's request.

Councilmember Olson commented it is often said in interview processes like this that there were an incredible number of awesome candidates and that the decision was very hard. In this case, it was an over and above truth. The City is so fortunate to have these candidates apply; she was personally grateful and on behalf of the entire citizenry, she thanked all the amazing candidates for participating.

Council President Fraley-Monillas requested staff comment on the process when voting reaches a deadlock. Mr. Taraday said he provided the Council a memo regarding the process; the deadlock rules were included in the packet. In the recent past, the Council decided three rounds of balloting where every Councilmember votes exactly the same way was the definition of a deadlock and new nominations would be taken. The same slate of candidates or a different slate can be nominated. There was nothing magic about the number three, it was not in City code or State law. If the Council finds three was too few, they could select a larger number which had been done in the past.

Council President Fraley-Monillas recalled the five times she participated in this process in the past, three had been used to determine a deadlock. Councilmembers were agreeable to using three as a deadlock. Council President Fraley-Monillas said she requested the new Councilmembers watch videos of past Council appointment processes.

Mr. Passey advised unless the Council chose to do otherwise, the process outlined in the packet would be followed, a nomination process followed by ballot voting process. He reviewed the processes:

- **Nominations:** Each Councilmember may nominate one candidate from the list of applicants by placing an "X" beside the name of the applicant of his or her choice on the form supplied for that purpose by the City Clerk, and by signing the nomination form. The City Clerk will announce and maintain a permanent record of the nominations and of the Councilmember nominating each candidate.
- **The Election:** Each Councilmember may vote for one candidate by placing an "X" beside the name of the candidate of his or her choice on the ballot supplied for that purpose by the City Clerk, and by signing the ballot. The City Clerk will announce and maintain a permanent record of each ballot and who voted for each candidate.
- **A Deadlock:** A deadlock occurs after each Councilmember votes the same way on three consecutive ballots. In the event the City Council should deadlock, then previous nominations are declared null and void and the Council may begin a new round of nominations.

Student Representative Zach Bauder assisted with the distribution and collection of nomination and ballot forms.

Mayor Nelson wished all the candidates luck, commenting he has literally been there.

Nomination 1	
Candidate	Councilmember

Will Chen	Olson
Carreen Rubenkönig	K. Johnson
Alicia Crank	Fraley-Monillas, L. Johnson & Paine
Nathan Monroe	Buckshnis

Councilmember Buckshnis commented everyone was qualified and she had a wonderful time interviewing all the candidates. Mr. Monroe has the necessary qualifications and has served on the Planning Board long enough that he would be the most advantageous candidate to have on Council at this time.

With regard to Mr. Monroe, Councilmember Olson said it has been discussed whether expertise in a field is of value for a Councilmember. When she in the Air Force, the contracting officers were encouraged to get engineering-oriented degrees so they could ask the right questions. If that was good enough for the Air Force, it may be good enough for Edmonds, that an engineer would add value to the Council, an expertise that does not currently exist. In addition, Mr. Monroe has lived in Edmonds for a long time in five neighborhoods, was raised in a home where his mother was a City of Lynnwood staff member and he knows the difference between the legislators' and the executive's job.

Councilmember Olson spoke to her nominee, Will Chen, whom wholeheartedly and enthusiastically nominated and endorsed. Unlike any other candidate, he represents an entire segment of the population that has not been engaged in the process. He is fully entrenched, involved and exposed to the entire population in addition to a subpopulation on the Highway 99 corridor. Most candidates running for election and as well as most of the candidates for appointment have talked about the importance and the priority of Highway 99. Mr. Chen will be able to deliver on that opportunity and bring people into the process that have never engaged via language, his personal involvement in boards, and support from the broad community as well as the international community on Highway 99. She urged the Council to support him.

Council President Fraley-Monillas spoke to her nomination of Alicia Crank. This is Ms. Crank's second race for City Council; she lives on Highway 99 and passionately understands the issues on Highway 99 from 205th north to the Lynnwood border and has spoken with most of the larger corporations on the corridor. She is a great volunteer for the City, serving on the Planning Board, the Paine Field Board as well as a number of local boards which illustrates her interest in supporting the City. Often people join boards or commission close to when they run for office which is a good way to get to know the City; Ms. Crank has served on those boards and commissions for years. As a member of Diversity Commission, Council President Fraley-Monillas understood Edmonds needs to elect a person of color to the City Council. There have been several racial incidents in Edmonds; electing a person of color would move Edmonds forward in a very productive way.

Councilmember Paine spoke to her nomination of Alicia Crank. Along with Council President Fraley-Monillas comments, she added that Ms. Crank has shown a lot of leadership by bringing events to Edmonds, exposing new people to Edmonds in healthy, community building ways. Ms. Crank works toward solutions which is a fine leadership quality.

Councilmember L. Johnson spoke to her nominee, Alicia Crank. When looking at the applicants, she was looking for a well-rounded candidate with a history of dedicated and varied commitment to serving Edmonds and the greater community, and a clear connection relative to the time they have lived in Edmonds, someone with the ability to see a need in the community and work to solve it. From what she has seen, Ms. Crank has that in spades.

Candidate	Votes	Councilmember
Ballot 1		
Will Chen	1	Olson

Nathan Monroe	1	Buckshnis
Alicia Crank	3	Fraley-Monillas, Paine & L. Johnson
Carreen Rubenkonig	1	K. Johnson
Ballot 2		
Will Chen	1	Buckshnis
Nathan Monroe	2	K Johnson & Olson
Alicia Crank	3	Fraley-Monillas, Paine & L. Johnson
Ballot 3		
Will Chen	1	Olson
Nathan Monroe	2	K. Johnson & Buckshnis
Alicia Crank	3	Fraley-Monillas, Paine & L. Johnson
Ballot 4		
Nathan Monroe	2	Buckshnis & Olson
Alicia Crank	3	Fraley-Monillas, Paine & L. Johnson
Carreen Rubenkonig	1	K. Johnson
Ballot 5		
Nathan Monroe	3	K. Johnson, Buckshnis & Olson
Alicia Crank	3	Fraley-Monillas, Paine & L. Johnson
Ballot 6		
Nathan Monroe	3	K. Johnson, Buckshnis & Olson
Alicia Crank	3	Fraley-Monillas, Paine & L. Johnson
Ballot 7		
Nathan Monroe	3	K. Johnson, Buckshnis & Olson
Alicia Crank	3	Fraley-Monillas, Paine & L. Johnson

The Council vote reached a deadlock. Mr. Passey requested Councilmembers complete Nomination #2.

Nomination 2	
Candidate	Councilmember
Will Chen	Olson
Alicia Crank	Paine, Fraley-Monillas, & L. Johnson
Jay Grant	K. Johnson
Matt Cheung	Buckshnis

Councilmember Buckshnis spoke to her nomination of Matt Cheung. Mr. Monroe is her candidate of choice, but Mr. Cheung has also been a very good Planning Board Member and she had a very good discussion with him. Mr. Cheung is an attorney, he understands healthcare, he is knowledgeable about all areas of the Planning Board and she enjoys reading his comments in the Planning Board minutes. She also supports Will Chen. He has a wonderful resume, is a star in terms of a Chinese immigrant coming to America and living the American dream.

Candidate	Votes	Councilmember
Ballot 8		
Matt Cheung	1	Buckshnis
Will Chen	1	Olson
Alicia Crank	3	Fraley-Monillas, Paine & L. Johnson
Jay Grant	1	K. Johnson
Ballot 9		
Matt Cheung	1	Olson
Will Chen	2	K. Johnson & Buckshnis

Alicia Crank	3	Fraley-Monillas, Paine & L. Johnson
Ballot 10		
Will Chen	2	Buckshnis & Olson
Alicia Crank	3	Fraley-Monillas, Paine & L. Johnson
Jay Grant	1	K. Johnson
Ballot 11		
Will Chen	2	K. Johnson & Olson
Alicia Crank	3	Fraley-Monillas, Paine & L. Johnson
Jay Grant	1	Buckshnis
Ballot 12		
Matt Cheung	1	Buckshnis
Will Chen	1	Olson
Alicia Crank	3	Fraley-Monillas, Paine & L. Johnson
Jay Grant	1	K. Johnson
Ballot 13		
Matt Cheung	1	Buckshnis
Alicia Crank	3	Fraley-Monillas, Paine & L. Johnson
Jay Grant	2	K. Johnson & Olson
Ballot 14		
Matt Cheung	1	Olson
Alicia Crank	3	Fraley-Monillas, Paine & L. Johnson
Jay Grant	2	K. Johnson & Buckshnis
Ballot 15		
Alicia Crank	3	Fraley-Monillas, Paine & L. Johnson
Jay Grant	3	K. Johnson, Buckshnis & Olson
Ballot 16		
Will Chen	1	Olson
Alicia Crank	3	Fraley-Monillas, Paine & L. Johnson
Jay Grant	2	K. Johnson & Buckshnis
Ballot 17		
Will Chen	1	Olson
Alicia Crank	3	Fraley-Monillas, Paine & L. Johnson
Jay Grant	2	K. Johnson & Buckshnis
Ballot 18		
Will Chen	1	Olson
Crank	3	Fraley-Monillas, Paine & L. Johnson
Jay Grant	2	K. Johnson & Buckshnis

The Council vote reached a deadlock. Mr. Passey requested Councilmembers complete Nomination #3.

Nomination 3	
Candidate	Councilmember
Jenna Nand	Olson
Lora Petso	Paine & Fraley-Monillas
Carreen Rubenkonig	K. Johnson
Alicia Crank	L. Johnson
Nathan Monroe	Buckshnis

Councilmember Olson spoke regarding her nomination of Jenna Nand. Ms. Nand grew up in Edmonds and has the lens of not only the greatest youth as a 35 years old, but also has a very close knit family and parents

who are seniors in the community. She is multilingual and can reach a lot of citizens who are not otherwise engaged in the process. She has shown a lot of discipline in career path. She received an AA degree from Edmonds Community College, followed by a bachelor's degree and law school. She has a lot of creative ideas for the City.

Councilmember Buckshnis said Nathan Monroe is her candidate of choice. Although she was criticized previously when she raised the issue, Ms. Petso did in fact cost the City \$5 million and had she not read it in the audit report, the City would have been out \$5 million. She assured this was a factual statement; Ms. Petso was Council President at the time. Regardless that Councilmember L. Johnson thinks she is being mean to Ms. Petso, the facts speak for themselves. Councilmember Buckshnis summarized she did not support Ms. Petso.

Council President Fraley-Monillas said she preferred to speak in a positive light about candidates. The 12 candidates have all put their personal lives on the line to apply. She spoke in favor of Ms. Petso, commenting she did not cost the City \$5 million, it did not actually happen. Council President Fraley-Monillas said she served with Ms. Petso for many years on the City Council; she comes prepared, she does her homework, and she challenges her peers and coworkers to do their homework. Ms. Petso would be a fine addition to the Council.

Councilmember Buckshnis said her statement was factual, referring to Statement 17 in the audit report.

Councilmember Olson referred to Carreen Rubenkonig, commenting one of the most interesting things about her was she has looked at issues from the viewpoint of government, private sector and non-profit during her career and she is very well credentialed as well.

Councilmember K. Johnson spoke on behalf of Careen Rubenkonig, commenting she has extensive experience with the City of Edmonds, having served eight years on the Architectural Design Board and five years on the Planning Board. She participated in many of the City's long range planning activities, has an undergraduate degree in community development and involvement, a master's degree in urban planning and has lived in the City for 25 years. Based on those credentials, she is well qualified. Among all the candidates, she is ready to get to work on the Council. The fact that she does not plan to run for office in two years means it is an open field for the other 11 candidates who are interested in pursuing a political career in Edmonds.

Candidate	Votes	Councilmember
Ballot 19		
Lora Petso	2	Fraley-Monillas & Paine
Alicia Crank	1	L. Johnson
Jenna Nand	1	Olson
Carreen Rubenkonig	2	K. Johnson & Buckshnis
Ballot 20		
Lora Petso	2	Fraley-Monillas & L. Johnson
Nathan Monroe	2	Buckshnis & Olson
Alicia Crank	1	Paine
Carreen Rubenkonig	1	K. Johnson
Ballot 21		
Lora Petso	2	Fraley-Monillas & L. Johnson
Nathan Monroe	2	Buckshnis & K. Johnson
Alicia Crank	1	Paine
Jenna Nand	1	Olson
Ballot 22		

Lora Petso	2	Fraley-Monillas & L. Johnson
Nathan Monroe	3	K. Johnson, Buckshnis & Olson
Alicia Crank	1	Paine
Ballot 23		
Lora Petso	2	Fraley-Monillas & Paine
Nathan Monroe	3	K. Johnson, Buckshnis & Olson
Alicia Crank	1	L. Johnson
Ballot 24		
Lora Petso	3	Fraley-Monillas, Paine & L. Johnson
Nathan Monroe	3	K. Johnson, Buckshnis & Olson
Ballot 25		
Lora Petso	3	Fraley-Monillas, Paine & L. Johnson
Nathan Monroe	3	K. Johnson, Buckshnis & Olson
Ballot 26		
Lora Petso	3	Fraley-Monillas, Paine & L. Johnson
Nathan Monroe	3	K. Johnson, Buckshnis & Olson

The Council vote reached a deadlock. Mr. Passey requested Councilmembers complete Nomination #4.

Nomination 4	
Candidate	Councilmember
Will Chen	Olson
Lora Petso	Paine
Nathan Monroe	K. Johnson & Buckshnis
Alicia Crank	L. Johnson & Fraley-Monillas

Councilmember Olson added Will Chen also has a great sense of humor and a wonderful sense of humility that would make him easy to work with in addition to the contributions of his extracurricular activities.

Candidate	Votes	Councilmember
Ballot 27		
Will Chen	1	Olson
Nathan Monroe	2	K. Johnson & Buckshnis
Alicia Crank	3	Fraley-Monillas, Paine & L. Johnson
Ballot 28		
Will Chen	2	K. Johnson & Olson
Lora Petso	2	Paine & L. Johnson
Nathan Monroe	1	Buckshnis
Alicia Crank	1	Fraley-Monillas
Ballot 29		
Will Chen	1	Olson
Lora Petso	2	Paine & L. Johnson
Nathan Monroe	2	K. Johnson & Buckshnis
Alicia Crank	1	Fraley-Monillas
Ballot 30		
Will Chen	1	Olson
Lora Petso	2	Fraley-Monillas & Paine
Nathan Monroe	2	K. Johnson & Buckshnis
Alicia Crank	1	L. Johnson
Ballot 31		

Will Chen	1	Olson
Lora Petso	1	L. Johnson
Nathan Monroe	2	K. Johnson & Buckshnis
Alicia Crank	2	Fraley-Monillas & Paine
Ballot 32		
Nathan Monroe	3	K. Johnson, Buckshnis & Olson
Alicia Crank	3	Fraley-Monillas, Paine & L. Johnson
Ballot 33		
Nathan Monroe	3	K. Johnson, Buckshnis & Olson
Alicia Crank	3	Fraley-Monillas, Paine & L. Johnson
Ballot 34		
Nathan Monroe	3	K. Johnson, Buckshnis & Olson
Alicia Crank	3	Fraley-Monillas, Paine & L. Johnson

The Council vote reached a deadlock. Mr. Passey requested Councilmembers complete Nomination #5.

Mayor Nelson declared a brief recess.

Nomination 5	
Candidate	Councilmember
Roger Pence	K. Johnson & Olson
Luke Distelhorst	Paine
Lora Petso	L. Johnson
Matt Cheung	Buckshnis
Alicia Crank	Fraley-Monillas

Councilmember Olson said she would normally be inclined and her initial reaction when she read in the application that Roger Pence had only lived in Edmonds three years would have been not to consider him. However, during the interview process she found his knowledge of Edmonds amazing and he embraces the culture and does not want to change it into any other place he has lived. He also has a real passion for government and politics that has permeated his life. He has had a lot of exposure and life experience and would be a great addition to the Council.

Councilmember Paine spoke to her nomination of Luke Distelhorst. He has been on the Library Board, he is a professional in communications and during the interview, he identified rapid growth as one of the challenges in Edmonds. He understands transportation, is family friendly, and is interested in what Edmonds provides for families. She also appreciated Matt Cheung's creativity, he is an attorney, he serves on the Planning Board, he is always prepared, thoughtful and respectful, has a family friendly orientation, has a master's in public health, and his intellect is very creative.

Council President Fraley-Monillas spoke regarding her nomination of Alicia Crank. Ms. Crank has put on activities in the local community and encouraged people to participate in those activities. A number of Councilmembers have donated to those activities. Ms. Crank thinks outside the box and stands up for the positiveness of the City and what it is like to be an African American woman, an aspect that no one else can speak to. Council President Fraley-Monillas appreciated what Ms. Crank does to stand up for people of color, she works well with everybody, sits on both sides, has experience in everything from banking to fundraising and would be a great addition to the City Council.

Candidate	Votes	Councilmember
Ballot 35		

Matt Cheung	1	Olson
Lora Petso	1	L. Johnson
Luke Distelhorst	1	Paine
Alicia Crank	1	Fraley-Monillas
Roger Pence	2	K. Johnson & Buckshnis
Ballot 36		
Matt Cheung	3	K. Johnson, Buckshnis & Paine
Alicia Crank	2	Fraley-Monillas & L. Johnson
Roger Pence	1	Olson
Ballot 37		
Matt Cheung	2	Buckshnis & Olson
Lora Petso	1	L. Johnson
Alicia Crank	2	Fraley-Monillas & Paine
Roger Pence	1	K. Johnson
Ballot 38		
Matt Cheung	3	K. Johnson, Buckshnis & Olson
Luke Distelhorst	1	Paine
Alicia Crank	2	Fraley-Monillas & L. Johnson
Ballot 39		
Matt Cheung	3	Buckshnis, Olson & Paine
Alicia Crank	2	Fraley-Monillas, L. Johnson
Roger Pence	1	K. Johnson
Ballot 40		
Matt Cheung	3	Buckshnis, Olson & Paine
Luke Distelhorst	1	L. Johnson
Alicia Crank	1	Fraley-Monillas
Roger Pence	1	K. Johnson
Ballot 41		
Matt Cheung	2	Olson & Paine
Luke Distelhorst	3	Fraley-Monillas, Buckshnis & L. Johnson
Roger Pence	1	K. Johnson
Ballot 42		
Cheung	2	Buckshnis & Olson
Distelhorst	3	Fraley-Monillas, Paine & L. Johnson
Pence	1	K. Johnson
Ballot 43		
Matt Cheung	2	Olson & Paine
Luke Distelhorst	3	Fraley-Monillas, Buckshnis & L. Johnson
Roger Pence	1	K. Johnson
Ballot 44		
Matt Cheung	1	Olson
Roger Pence	1	K. Johnson
Luke Distelhorst	4	Fraley-Monillas, Buckshnis, Paine & L. Johnson

Mr. Passey announced Luke Distelhorst is appointed to Council Position #2 until a successor can be elected for the remainder of the unexpired term at the next municipal election.

Mayor Nelson swore in Luke Distelhorst to Council Position #2. Councilmember Distelhorst took his seat at the dais at 9:32p.m.

10. MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Nelson said he was proud of the Council for the work they have done to reach this point, of all the citizens who provided input, and of all the candidates who participated in the process were interested enough to devote their time and energy to apply and go through the rigorous process. He was pleased to welcome Councilmember Distelhorst to the City Council.

11. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Olson reminded tomorrow is the first Wednesday of month and she will be doing a neighborhood walk in Perrinville. Meet at Bistro 76 at 8 a.m. for City news and walk from 8:30 – 9:30 a.m.

Councilmember Paine congratulated Councilmember Distelhorst. She also thanked all the wonderful candidates who applied, commenting there was a wealth of great candidates including over half the Planning Board. She encouraged the applicants to stay engaged and active and to keep the Council informed about what is happening in the community.

Councilmember Paine reported she has been attending boards and committees meetings as well as meeting with directors to learn about projects. She was happy to have a full Council seated.

Councilmember K. Johnson congratulated everyone who was nominated, commenting 10 of the 12 were nominated and many received 3 votes. She congratulated Councilmember Distelhorst for being selected and looked forward to working with him.

Council President Fraley-Monillas echoed Councilmember K. Johnson's comments, giving special thanks to the candidates who participated in the process during the last couple hours, recognizing that it was not easy. She recognized Nathan Monroe, Matt Cheung, Will Chen, Alicia Crank and Jenna Nand, commenting they were rock stars. She assured the candidates who were not chosen that they were good people and she urged them to stay involved and to run for office in two years.

Councilmember L. Johnson echoed the previous Council comments. She welcomed Councilmember Distelhorst and was excited to work with him. There were stellar applicants for the Council vacancy, which made it a difficult process. She thanked everyone who applied and urged them to stay engaged.

Councilmember Buckshnis echoed the previous comments and congratulated Councilmember Distelhorst. Her heart goes out to the people who follow basketball, Kobe and his family as well as the families of the other people whose perished. Kobe was a great person, his daughter was a great player and it was unfortunate to have lost a hero.

Councilmember Distelhorst thanked Councilmembers for their votes of confidence. It was a grueling process to go through. There is a lot of knowledge on Council to learn from as well as from the other applicants about their priorities.

14. ADJOURN

With no further business, the Council meeting was adjourned at 9:37 p.m.