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City of Edmonds Seeking Community Feedback on Next City of Edmonds Chief of Police

(Edmonds, WA) As an important part of its recruitment process for the next Chief of Police, the City of Edmonds seeks input from the community regarding the desired characteristics and qualifications for this important position. The Chief of Police is a highly visible and influential leader, impacting many aspects of the community. Community members, police leaders, and elected officials all have a crucial role to play in enhancing and improving community-police relations. Part of that is establishing shared expectations between the police and the community it serves.

The City has hired the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) to conduct an executive search for the next Chief of Police. As the IACP, in cooperation with City leaders and staff, works to define the qualifications of the ideal candidate, it is essential to understand and incorporate the input of the Edmonds community. To that end, the IACP is releasing a survey to gather community feedback to help develop characteristics and qualifications of an ideal candidate. Survey participation is voluntary, and responses are confidential.

“Community input is essential to developing a shared vision of the qualifications and expectations for our next Police Chief,” stated Mayor Mike Nelson. “I encourage our residents, business owners and workers to participate in this survey.”

The survey is open now and can be accessed at this URL <https://www.research.net/r/EPDCommunity>. The [survey](#) will remain open until Sunday, March 14.

Any questions regarding the survey or for assistance in completing the survey, please contact EdmondsMAChief@theIACP.org.

About the IACP

The International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) is the world’s largest association for police leaders, a recognized leader in global policing and committed to advancing safer communities through thoughtful, progressive police leadership.

The IACP is committed to enhancing community safety by shaping the future of the police profession. Through research, programming, and training opportunities, the IACP is preparing current and emerging police leaders — and the agencies and communities they serve — to succeed in addressing the most pressing issues, threats, and challenges of the day.

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