

# SHORELINE CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP DINNER MEETING

Monday, April 23, 2018 5:45 p.m.

Conference Room 303 · Shoreline City Hall 17500 Midvale Avenue North

#### KING COUNTY SHERIFF JOHANKNECHT

1. **CALL TO ORDER** 5:45 p.m.

2. DISCUSSION WITH KING COUNTY SHERIFF JOHANKNECHT

3. ADJOURNMENT 6:45 p.m.

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# Memorandum

**DATE:** April 16, 2018

**TO:** City Council

**FROM:** Debbie Tarry, City Manager

**CC:** Shawn Ledford, Police Chief

Mark Konoske, Police Captain Pat Raftis, Police Captain

**RE:** Dinner Meeting with King County Sheriff, Mitzi Johanknecht

At tonight's dinner meeting, the Council will be joined by King County Sheriff, Mitzi Johanknecht. Sheriff Johanknecht was elected in November 2017 and began her term as Sheriff in January 2018. She began her law enforcement career when she joined the King County Sheriff's Office on January 8th, 1985.

Sheriff Johanknecht started as a deputy in the north precinct (Shoreline area). She has served in leadership roles in every division and location in the Sheriff's Office. As a deputy, she was the first to work with a multi-disciplinary team in King County housing. She collaborated with other agencies, community groups and residents to build relationships and trust, promoting public safety. Sheriff Johanknect was the first woman to command TAC-30, the King County Sheriff's Office SWAT team.

In 2018, the contract for police services for the City totals \$11.8 million, which is approximately 25% of the City's General Fund budget. The Police Contract funds 53 dedicated personnel for the Shoreline Police department. Of the 53 personnel positions, 50 are sworn officers including the new K-9 unit approved by the City Council as part of the 2018 budget. The King County Sheriff's Office contracts with eleven King County cities for police services, in addition KCSO contracts with Sound Transit, King County Metro, King County International Airport (Boeing Field), and the Muckleshoot Indian Tribe.

Tonight will be the Council's first opportunity to meet with the newly elected Sheriff. Given that Council will also hear from Chief Ledford during the Council's Business Meeting in regards to the 2017 Police Services Report, it would be a good opportunity to discuss the following items with Sheriff Johanknecht:

#### 1. Long-term Strategic Plan

One of Sheriff Johanknecht's goals is to develop a department strategic plan. This includes developing a plan to ensure that the Sheriff's Office organization has a roadmap to address the long-term challenges of providing community based policing for a widerange of communities and cities such as Shoreline. Specifically Shoreline is interested in making sure that its officers reflect the values of the Shoreline community and are approachable and treat all community members with fairness and dignity. Shoreline desires a police force that focuses on de-escalation and resorts to the use of deadly force in rare instances. The City also desires to have diverse police staffing that reflects the diversity of the Shoreline community.

# • Potential Questions for Discussion:

- 1. How can the Shoreline community influence or have the opportunity to participate in the development of the Sheriff's Office strategic plan?
- 2. What steps is the Sheriff's Office taking to create an employee base of officers that reflect the ethnic, gender and racial diversity of our communities?
- 3. How do we ensure that parts of our community are not marginalized or unfairly targeted by public safety policies and practices?
- 4. How is the Sheriff's Office providing training, equipment and guidance to enhance the ability of officers to focus on methods to de-escalation?

## 2. National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS)

The Sheriff's Office is in the process of switching from the Summary Reporting System (SRS) to the National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS) for its Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR). The Council would be interested in understating how this transition is going and any impacts to the Shoreline police force. Recently the City published an article in the City's Newsletter, *Currents*, to explain the change that is coming to how Shoreline's crime activity will be reported.

#### 3. Day to Day Issues/Challenges/Opportunities

Are there opportunities for the City to assist the Sheriff's Office in addressing any day to day challenges in providing public safety services to the Shoreline community?

## 4. Continuous Improvement Efforts

If time, the City Council would be interested in hearing about outcomes or processes that the Sheriff's Office may be implementing to integrate changes or improvements into the way that public safety services are provided.