CALL TO ORDER
Mayor Pruitt called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

FLAG SALUTE
Flag Salute was conducted with the assistance of Troop #35 of the Boy Scouts of America.

ROLL CALL
Roll was called by the Acting Deputy City Clerk with all Councilmembers present.

AUDIENCE COMMUNICATION:
Gene Grieve
3712 220th St. SE
Bothell, WA 98012

Mr. Grieve spoke as a tax payer and in support of Fire District 7.

NEW BUSINESS:
2016 Budget Amendment
(Rebecca C. Polizzotto, City Manager)

The following agenda summary information was presented:
In December, 2014, the City Council adopted the 2015-2016 budget for all funds. RCW 35A.33.120 limits annual expenditures to the amounts appropriated for each fund for the current fiscal year. A standard year-end fiscal management procedure is to examine year-to-date expenditures and forecast them through the year-end period. When this analysis reveals a variance between the budgeted appropriations and expenditure projections, a budget amendment is necessary. Based on the foregoing analysis, the recommended budget amendments for 2016 are set forth on the exhibit to the attached ordinance.

Discussion
No discussion.
MOTION: Councilmember Cavaleri made a motion to approve Ordinance #2016-813, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MILL CREEK, WASHINGTON, ADJUSTING APPROPRIATIONS IN THE 2015-2016 BUDGET, ORIGINALLY ADOPTED BY ORDINANCE 2014-791. Councilmember Kelly seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA:
Approval of Checks #56251 through #56311 and ACH Wire Transfers in the Amount of $154,745.58.
(Audit Committee: Councilmember Michelson and Councilmember Kelly)

Payroll and Benefit ACH payments in the amount of $484,207.90.
(Audit Committee: Councilmember Michelson and Councilmember Kelly)

There were no exceptions from the audit committee.

MOTION: Councilmember Michelson made a motion to approve the consent agenda, Councilmember Kelly seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

PRESENTATIONS:
Historical Review: Contract for Fire and EMS Services
(Rebecca C. Polizzotto, City Manager)

Discussion
A team comprised of City Manager Rebecca Polizzotto, Director of Finance & Administration Peggy Lauerman, City Attorney Scott Missall and Consultant Bob Stowe presented a slideshow which reviewed the history of this contract.

RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:
The meeting recessed to executive session at 6:35 p.m. to discuss publicly bid contracts and potential litigation with the City Attorney pursuant to RCW 42.30.110 (1) (d) and (i) for approximately 30 minutes; which was subsequently extended.

RECONVENE TO REGULAR SESSION:
The meeting reconvened to regular session at approximately 7:58 p.m.

Discussion
City Manager Polizzotto and the Team recommended the Council exercise its right to purchase the Mill Creek Fire Station from Fire Protection District #7 in accordance with the Joint Fire Services Agreement between the agencies. She asked for Council authorization to issue a notice to the Fire District letting them know of the City’s intention to exercise this right.

MOTION: Councilmember Kelly made a motion to authorize the issuance of the Notice of Exercise of Purchase Right as to Mill Creek Fire Station in accordance with the Joint Fire Services agreement between Mill Creek and Fire Protection District #7, Councilmember Todd seconded the motion.
Discussion
Councilmember Cavaleri shared that both parties saw this coming so hopefully it’s not a surprise, and provided his support.

The motion passed unanimously.

REPORTS:
Mayor Pruitt and Councilmember Michelson wished everyone a happy and safe holiday season.

Councilmember Todd reminded the Council of a Regional Priorities meeting on January 5 at the Everett School District Education Resource Center, which will include a small presentation and opportunity to discuss priorities for Snohomish County with legislators.

AUDIENCE COMMUNICATION:
Guy Palumbo
Fire Commissioner, Fire District #7

Since the Council made its intention to purchase the fire station clear, Commissioner Palumbo asked: Is the City looking for a tenant relationship with the District paying rent; who will handle the capital infrastructure and who will be responsible for legal liability? He advised the Council that capital facility improvements, some with potential legal liability, have been delayed for two years so they will need to be worked out sooner than later.

ADJOURNMENT
With no objection, Mayor Pruitt adjourned the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

Pam Pruitt, Mayor

Joanna Lee, Acting Deputy City Clerk