

 Redmond <small>WASHINGTON</small>	REDMOND CITY COUNCIL STUDY SESSION MEETING SUMMARY January 27, 2026, 7 p.m.
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Council President Melissa Stuart called the meeting to order, reviewed attendance, and overviewed the agenda. The meeting was held in City Hall Council Chambers.

Councilmembers present and establishing a quorum:

- ☒ Jessica Forsythe
- ☒ Vanessa Kritzer
- ☒ Angie Nuevacamina
- ☒ Sayna Parsi
- ☒ Vivek Prakriya
- ☒ Menka Soni
- ☒ Melissa Stuart

1. Overlake Commons Master Planned Development, Development Agreement, and Site Plan Entitlement - Quasi-Judicial

Department: Planning and Community Development

Action: Public Hearing, April

Carol Helland, Director of Planning and Community Development, and Alex Hunt, Senior Planner, reported to the Members of the Council regarding:

- Council communications outside of a Council meeting must be disclosed;
- 2024 Zoning Code standards;
- Technical Committee recommends approval with conditions;
- Project site;
- Senior living displacement;
- Project overview;
- Incentive program;
- Vesting;
- Development regulations;
- Tree retention and replacement;
- Design flexibility; and
- Public benefits.

Discussion ensued regarding: tree retention; bike storage; parking; open space; walkability; schools; displacement process; bike/pedestrian safety public benefit; transportation impact fees; affordability; first floor commercial; and green power.

2. Transportation Master Plan Status Update: Final Plan

Department: Planning and Community Development

Action: Consent, February 3rd

Carol Helland, Director of Planning and Community Development, Seraphie Allen, Deputy Director of Planning and Community Development, Michael Hintz, Transportation Planning Manager, and Francesca Liburdy, Senior Transportation Planner, reported to the Members of the Council regarding:

- Redmond 2050;
- Internal and external engagement;
- Planning Commission recommendations;
- Complete streets network;
- Shifting travel behaviors;
- Community engagement and feedback;
- Council feedback;
- Planning Commission feedback and amendment; and
- Next steps and implementation.

Discussion ensued regarding: Parks, Trails, and Recreation Committee; wayfinding; Planning Commission work; transit strategies; pavement conditions; priority investments; and motorcycles.

3. Outcome Maps Refresh: Healthy & Sustainable and Strategic & Responsive

Department: Finance

Action: Informational

Kelley Cochran, Finance Director, Haritha Narra, Deputy Finance Director, and Hailey Zurcher, Financial Planning Manager, reported to the Members of the Council regarding:

- Boards and Commissions engagement;
- Community values connect to the City's budget;
- Last refreshed in 2020;
- Incorporating community feedback;
- Framework overview;
- Governance and process;
- Healthy and Sustainable;
- Strategic and responsive; and
- Next steps.

Discussion ensued regarding: civic results team scope; metrics; unintentional consequences; water resources; needing specific language; program measures; fiscal accountability; data security; REDI plan; community partnerships; and providing specific measurements.

4. 2025 Q4 Capital Investment Program (CIP) Status Update including a Look Ahead to 2026, and an Update on the MOC Campus Rebuild Project

Department: Public Works

Action: Informational

Aaron Bert, Public Works Director, Tess Wilkinson, Capital Program Planner, and Steve Gibbs, Capital Division Manager, reported to the Members of the Council regarding:

- Completed projects;
- 14 additional projects are expected to be completed in 2026;
- Efficiencies of the lighting project at City Hall;
- Active projects;
- Process for adopting projects into the CIP;
- Old Firehouse Teen Center celebration for the site and the demolition;
- ADA improvements to park restrooms;
- MOC campus redevelopment;
- Parks portfolio;
- Reservoir Park Sports Court and water tank;
- Traffic Operations projects;
- Curb ramps ADA improvements;
- Transportation Planning projects;
- Bel-Red buffered bike lanes;
- Utility projects;
- Willows Road watermain extension;
- Pedestrian and bicycle safety projects; and
- Milestones.

Discussion ensued regarding: Teen Center design project; budgeted and actual costs; trail and fencing; and sidewalk repairs.

5. Council Talk Time

- Council Policy Proposal welcoming resolution;
- Council retreat will be held on Saturday;
- Council Conversations will be held at Redmond Middle School on March 19th;
- School levy ballots; and
- Attended an India celebration.

Meeting adjourned at 10:25 p.m.