

REDMOND CITY COUNCIL STUDY SESSION MEETING SUMMARY

February 25, 2025, 7 p.m.

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Council President Vanessa Kritzer 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:

\boxtimes	Jeralee Anderson
	Steve Fields
\boxtimes	Jessica Forsythe
\boxtimes	Vanessa Kritzer
	Angie Nuevacamina
\boxtimes	Osman Salahuddin
X	Melissa Stuart

1. Redmond 2050: 2025 Code Package Planning Commission Recommendation

Department: Planning and Community Development

Action: Informational

Carol Helland, Director of Planning and Community Development, Lauren Alpert, Senior Planner, Ian Lefcourte, Senior Planner, Beckye Frey, Principal Planner, and Odra Cárdenas, Senior Planner, and Jeff Churchill, Long Range Planning Manager, reported to the Members of the Council regarding:

- Development regulations;
- Zone consolidation;
- Clarification in uses;
- Regulation updates;
- New uses;
- Special districts and overlays;
- Zoning districts;
- Building heights;
- Affordable housing;
- Incentives program;
- Green building; and
- Timeline.

Discussion ensued regarding: ceiling height regulations; displacement of businesses; mixed use; educating the public; rollout process; and daycare hours.

2. Ordinance Amending the Redmond Municipal Code Section 13.25, Temporary Construction Dewatering

Department: Public Works Action: Consent, June 17th Chris Stenger, Public Works Deputy Director, Aaron Moldver, Environmental Program Manager, and Jessica Atlakson, Environmental Scientist, reported to the Members of the Council regarding:

- Timeline;
- Critical Aquifer Recharge Area;
- Existing conditions;
- Artificially lowering the groundwater level;
- Limiting temporary construction dewatering;
- Current development projects in the Critical Aquifer Recharge Area;
- Proposed code changes;
- Benefits are predictability and mitigation; and
- Next steps.

Discussion ensued regarding: providing additional building height; protecting drinking water; and incentivizing developers to follow the new regulations.

3. Council Talk Time

- Council Policy Proposal No. 14 changes to the personnel manual;
- Council Policy Proposal process;
- Upcoming Council Conversations locations and dates;
- Questions for the meeting with the Lake Washington School District Board joint meeting; and
- Utility billing autopay turned off.

4. Executive Session: Potential Litigation [RCW 42.30.110(1)(i)]

Meeting adjourned at 8:46 p.m.