

 Redmond WASHINGTON	REDMOND CITY COUNCIL STUDY SESSION MEETING SUMMARY October 14, 2025, 7 p.m.
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Council Vice President Jessica Forsythe 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:

- ☒ Jeralee Anderson
- ☒ Steve Fields
- ☒ Jessica Forsythe
- ☒ Vanessa Kritzer
- ☒ Angie Nuevacamina
- ☒ Osman Salahuddin
- ☒ Melissa Stuart

1. City of Redmond 2026 State Legislative Agenda

Department: Executive

Action: Consent, October 21st

Amy Tsai, Chief Policy Advisor, and Amina Tiare, City Lobbyist, reported to the Members of the Council regarding:

- Second year of the cycle;
- Short session;
- Composition of the legislature;
- All bills from 2025 carry over;
- Budget adjustments;
- Deficit in the operating budget;
- Reelections;
- Focus on changes to policies made in 2025;
- Updates to the draft legislative agenda; and
- City asks.

Discussion ensued regarding: aligning with other legislative agendas; Hartman Park playground as a regional park; listing support for other legislative agendas; protecting civil liberties; AI and autonomous vehicles; and timeline.

2. Adoption of 2025-2050 Redmond Fire Department Functional Plan

Department: Fire

Action: Consent, November 3rd

Adrian Sheppard, Fire Chief, and Ameer Quiriconi, Deputy Fire Chief, reported to the Members of the Council regarding:

- Aligns with Redmond 2050, Growth Management Plan, and capital investment;

- Components of the fire system;
- City growth;
- Aging fire stations;
- Emerging risks;
- Long range capital planning document;
- Needed to update fire impact fees;
- Plan development;
- Renovations and reconfiguration;
- Fiscal strategy;
- Levels of service and readiness;
- Equity, sustainability and resilience;
- Community outreach;
- Implementation and monitoring; and
- Next steps.

Discussion ensued regarding: Maintenance and Operations Center scoping; cost; Capital Facilities Plan; Council questions matrix; potential locations; Fire Station 11 improvements; budget; liquefaction zones; and final plan edits.

3. Capital Investment Program (CIP) Project Updates for Q3 2025

Department: Public Works

Action: Informational

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

- Evans Creek Project issues;
- Active and completed projects;
- Facilities report;
- Maintenance and Operations Center campus redevelopment;
- Parks report;
- Southeast Redmond Park;
- Traffic Operations report;
- Pavement management on 154th Ave NE;
- Transportation Planning report;
- Bel-Red Buffered Bike Lanes;
- Utilities report;
- Lift station equipment upgrades phase 2;
- Pedestrian and bicycle safety projects;
- Projected milestones;
- Budget process; and
- 172nd gate update.

Discussion ensued regarding: federal grant; furthering discussions with King County; holding a Study Session to discuss the Evans Creek Project; dispersed operations; asset performance management; 172nd gate budget; updated scoring process;

4. Council Talk Time

- An Ordinance of the City of Redmond, Washington, Revising Section 21.17.010(D) of the Redmond Zoning Code to Prohibit the Drilling of New Private Wells within the City and Require Connection to the City Water System.
- Staff provided a review of the ordinance and this item will be on hold for further discussion;
- Additional water rights concerns;
- Sound Cities Association board and commissions;
- Possible permanent board seats;
- Quorum check for November 18th Council meetings;
- Meetings with the Lake Washington School District Board of Directors;
- Council Conversations in Education Hill; and
- Changes to the meeting schedule in November.

Meeting adjourned at 9:27 p.m.