



Memorandum

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TITLE:
Transportation Master Plan Status Update

OVERVIEW STATEMENT:

In collaboration with the Comprehensive Plan Update, Redmond 2050, the City is working on updating the Transportation Master Plan (TMP). The TMP is the functional strategic plan that guides transportation investment and activities to support the Comprehensive Plan vision. This status update will include an outline of the plan, an updated workplan for TMP completion, an overview of the ongoing community engagement calendar, and work currently underway supporting the TMP, including the SS4A Safety Action Plan.

Additional Background Information/Description of Proposal Attached

REQUESTED ACTION:

Receive Information **Provide Direction** **Approve**

REQUEST RATIONALE:

- **Relevant Plans/Policies:**
 - **Redmond 2050, FW-TR-1:** Plan, design, build, operate, and maintain a safe transportation system that advances an equitable, inclusive, sustainable, and resilient community by providing for the mobility and access needs of all.
 - **Redmond 2050, FW-TR-2:** Maintain the transportation system in a state of good repair for all users
 - **Redmond 2050, FW-TR-3:** Complete the accessible and active transportation, transit, freight, and street networks identified in the Transportation Master Plan in support of an integrated and connected transportation system.

- **Redmond 2050, FW-TR-4:** Plan, design, build, operate, and maintain a transportation system that supports the City’s sustainability principles.
 - **Redmond 2050, FW-TR-5:** Influence regional transportation decisions and leverage regional transportation investments in support of Redmond’s transportation policy objectives.
 - **Redmond 2050, FW-EV-2:** Support policies that contribute to a high quality of life in Redmond, such as career and education opportunities, housing, transportation, and recreation choices, as well as a healthy natural environment.
 - **Redmond 2050, FW-LU-2:** Ensure that the land use pattern in Redmond meets the following objectives:
 - Reflects the community values of sustainability, resilience, equity and inclusion;
 - Advances sustainable land development and best management practices and a high-quality natural environment;
 - Promotes development sufficiently away from environmentally critical areas;
 - Encourages a mix of uses that create complete neighborhoods ;
 - Maintains and enhances an extensive system of parks, trails, and open space;
 - Supports and encourages flexible places for a resilient and adaptive economy that includes a mix of research, retail, health, technology, and manufacturing uses;
 - Ensure the siting and delivery of public infrastructure and community services to support preferred land use patterns; and
 - Promotes sufficient density for development patterns and urban design that enable people to readily use a variety of accessible and active forms of travel including but not limited to walking, rolling, bicycling, transit.
 - **Redmond 2050, FW-CR-1:** Develop partnerships and programs to rapidly and equitably reduce greenhouse gas emissions and create a thriving, climate resilient community.
- **Required:**
N/A
 - **Council Request:**
The TMP will be adopted by Council in its entirety when complete.
 - **Other Key Facts:**
N/A

OUTCOMES:

The Transportation Master Plan document was last updated 2013. Once updated the Transportation Master Plan will communicate the strategies, actions, and programs to implement the policies of the Comprehensive Plan and achieve current City priorities as they intersect with the transportation system.

COMMUNITY/STAKEHOLDER OUTREACH AND INVOLVEMENT:

- **Timeline (previous or planned):**
 - Capital Projects Ideas Mapping, Spring 2020
 - Routes to Rails Community Engagement Campaign, February-June 2023
 - Derby Days Questionnaire (seeking feedback about how community members would plan to access future light rail stations without a car), July 2023
 - City of Redmond Parking Questionnaire, March-April 2024
 - Sound Transit 2 Line Opening, April 2024
 - Safer Streets for All (SS4A) Action Plan Community Road Safety Assessment, May 2024

- Redmond Pedestrian & Bicycle Advisory Committee (PBAC) Transit Open House, May 2024
- Bike Everywhere Day, May 2024
- Safer Streets for All (SS4A) Action Plan Staff Road Safety Assessment and Debrief Workshop, May-June 2024
- Overlake Open Streets Festival, June 2024
- Derby Days Festival, July 2024
- Downtown Redmond Open Streets Festival, August 2024
- **Outreach Methods and Results:**
Surveys, Questionnaires, Listening Sessions, Community Discussions
- **Feedback Summary:**
While the community engagement process is still ongoing, some preliminary results are as follows:
 - Overall community interest in first/last mile connections to the existing and future transit network
 - Interest and desire for more multimodal connections to the existing and future transit network, specifically via pedestrian and bicycle modes
 - Desire for more bicycle infrastructure connecting Redmond to neighboring communities, including Kirkland and Bellevue
 - Desire for more education about and awareness of public transit programs, especially King County Metro programs such as Community Van and Metro Flex

BUDGET IMPACT:

Total Cost:

\$400,000 in one-time funding was provided to support the TMP update.

Approved in current biennial budget: **Yes** **No** **N/A**

Budget Offer Number:

000343 - Mobility of People and Goods

Budget Priority:

Vibrant and Connected

Other budget impacts or additional costs: **Yes** **No** **N/A**

If yes, explain:

N/A

Funding source(s):

General Fund, Grant

Budget/Funding Constraints:

N/A

Additional budget details attached

COUNCIL REVIEW:

Previous Contact(s)

| Date | Meeting | Requested Action |
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| 3/7/2023 | Committee of the Whole - Planning and Public Works | Provide Direction |
| 3/28/2023 | Study Session | Receive Information |
| 6/6/2023 | Committee of the Whole - Planning and Public Works | Provide Direction |
| 6/13/2023 | Study Session | Receive Information |
| 11/6/2023 | Committee of the Whole - Planning and Public Works | Receive Information |
| 11/14/2023 | Study Session | Receive Information |
| 6/4/2024 | Committee of the Whole - Planning and Public Works | Receive Information |

Proposed Upcoming Contact(s)

| Date | Meeting | Requested Action |
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| 8/13/2024 | Study Session | Receive Information |

Time Constraints:

Transportation components that are mandatory for Comprehensive Plan have been included in the appendices of the Transportation Element of Redmond 2050. These components will be brought into the TMP, and in many cases, expanded upon with more specific policies and strategies. Council direction on draft policies/strategies and ultimate adoption of the TMP will allow staff to move forward with implementation efforts in a timely manner.

ANTICIPATED RESULT IF NOT APPROVED:

This Staff Report is for informational purposes and no direction is required at this time.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Attachment A - Issues Matrix
- Attachment B - Presentation