



Memorandum

Date: 11/15/2022  
Meeting of: City Council

File No. AM No. 22-173  
Type: Consent Item

TO: Members of the City Council  
FROM: Mayor Angela Birney  
DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR CONTACT(S):

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TITLE:

Approval of Amendments to RMC 10.24.045 and 10.24.047 on Temporary Road Closures or Restrictions

- a. Ordinance No. 3097: An Ordinance of the City of Redmond, Washington, Amending Redmond Municipal Code (RMC) 10.24 Speed Regulations, to Amend the Duration of Temporary Road Closures and Restrictions that Require City Council Approval from a Duration that Exceeds Twelve (12) Hours to a Duration that Exceeds Fourteen (14) Days

OVERVIEW STATEMENT:

Redmond Municipal Code Section 10.24.045 and 10.24.047 currently require Council approval for any speed reduction or temporary road closures over twelve hours in duration. The proposed change would amend the approval process as follows:

Proposed duration of temporary road closures and/or speed reductions: Approval authority -

- 24 hours or less: City Traffic Engineer
- Over 24 hours but not exceeding 72 hours: City Public Works Director
- Over 72 hours but not to exceed 14 days: City’s Technical Committee
- Exceeds 14 days: City Council

Additional Background Information/Description of Proposal Attached

REQUESTED ACTION:

- Receive Information
- Provide Direction
- Approve

REQUEST RATIONALE:

- **Relevant Plans/Policies:**  
Redmond Municipal Code
- **Required:**  
Redmond Municipal Code 10.24.045, 10.24.047
- **Council Request:**  
NA
- **Other Key Facts:**  
Currently, Council must approve any road closures or speed reductions that exceed 12 hours in duration. This is a time-consuming process that can take up to six weeks depending on Committee and Council schedule. To facilitate project schedules and reduce overall wait times for approvals, Staff is requesting that the current approval process be amended to provide greater responsiveness and better customer service while still requiring Council approval for longer duration restrictions that exceed 14 days in length. Regardless of the length of closure, notification will be provided to the City Council and the Mayor by the Public Works Director outlining why the closure is happening and for what duration. Additionally, outreach to impacted properties adjacent to the closure will be notified by City staff.

**OUTCOMES:**

Projects can be constructed more efficiently when approval timelines for road closures or speed reductions are shortened.

**COMMUNITY/STAKEHOLDER OUTREACH AND INVOLVEMENT:**

- **Timeline (previous or planned):**  
NA
- **Outreach Methods and Results:**  
NA
- **Feedback Summary:**  
NA

**BUDGET IMPACT:**

**Total Cost:**

There is no cost to this proposal

Approved in current biennial budget:       Yes       No       N/A

**Budget Offer Number:**

NA

**Budget Priority:**

NA

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

***If yes, explain:***

NA

**Funding source(s):**

NA

**Budget/Funding Constraints:**

NA

**Additional budget details attached**

**COUNCIL REVIEW:**

**Previous Contact(s)**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Meeting</b>	<b>Requested Action</b>
N/A	Item has not been presented to Council	N/A

**Proposed Upcoming Contact(s)**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Meeting</b>	<b>Requested Action</b>
11/15/2022	Business Meeting	Approve

**Time Constraints:**

N/A

**ANTICIPATED RESULT IF NOT APPROVED:**

The current municipal code would not change, and projects would still be required to get approval from City Council for road restrictions or road closures that are more than 12 hours in duration.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

Attachment A: RMC 10 24 Amendment