

City of Redmond



Agenda Study Session

**Tuesday, September 24, 2024
7:00 PM**

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AGENDA

ROLL CALL

1. Redmond 2050: Final Planning Commission Recommendations for Adoption in 2024

Department: Planning and Community Development, 60 minutes

[Attachment A: Council Discussion Topics](#)

[Attachment B: Corrected Amendments to RZC 21.12.505](#)

[Transition to New Standards \(for Overlake\)](#)

Legislative History

9/3/24 City Council referred to the City Council Study Session

9/10/24 City Council referred to the City Council Study Session

2. 2025-2030 Revenue Forecast: General Fund, Utility Funds, and Capital Investment Program (CIP)

Department: Finance, 60 minutes

3. Public Safety Funding Council Sub-Committee Briefing

Department: Executive, 30 minutes

[Attachment A: Presentation](#)

[Attachment B: Public Safety Revenue Options](#)

[Attachment C: Alternative Response Model](#)

[Attachment D: Fire Station 17 Program Enhancement](#)

4. Council Talk Time

30 minutes

[Attachment A: Council Policy Proposal \(No. 4\)](#)

[Attachment A, Exhibit 1: Resolution](#)

[Attachment B: Council Policy Proposal \(No. 5\)](#)

[Attachment B, Exhibit 1: Ordinance 1640](#)

[Attachment C: Council Policy Proposal \(No. 6\)](#)

[Attachment D: Council Policy Proposal \(No. 7\)](#)

[Attachment E: Council Policy Proposal \(No. 8\)](#)

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Memorandum

Date: 9/24/2024
Meeting of: City Council Study Session

File No. SS 24-054
Type: Study Session

TO: Members of the City Council
FROM: Mayor Angela Birney
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TITLE:

Redmond 2050: Final Planning Commission Recommendations for Adoption in 2024

OVERVIEW STATEMENT:

Staff recommends that the City Council discuss and provide direction on topics or issues raised at its September 3 meeting or by email. New for September 24:

- Staff has completed responses to all identified topics or issues (Attachment A).
- Staff is recommending minor additions and revisions in response to review by the Department of Commerce. These are noted in Attachment A. A final review letter from the Department of Commerce is pending.
- Staff has attached the correct version of RZC 21.12.505 Transition to New Standards (Attachment B). An older version was inadvertently attached to the Planning Commission Report for the Omnibus Package.

Additional study session time is being held as needed on October 8.

On July 10, 2024, the Planning Commission recommended approval of the Water System Plan (WSP) and General Wastewater Plan (GWP) Updates and related changes to Redmond Zoning Code (RZC 21.17.010). The WSP outlines actions for the City to take to protect its underground drinking water resources and provide sufficient water storage and distribution to meet the drinking water, irrigation, and fire flow needs of Redmond's residents and businesses for the

next two decades. The GWP update package represents a “major amendment” to the 2021 General Wastewater Plan and includes related changes to RZC 21.17.010. The GWP has been updated using population growth projections that align with Redmond 2050. It identifies actions the City’s Wastewater Utility will need to take to ensure that sewer system capacity matches the increased demand created by growth.

On July 31, 2024, the Planning Commission recommended approval of the Summer 2024 Omnibus / Wrap-up Package. This package ties together loose ends, corrects errors, addresses requests that have arisen over the past couple years, and generally makes a whole plan out of what are now several parts. It also includes a wide range of Redmond Zoning Code (RZC) amendments needed to correct errors, eliminate duplication, address requests that have arisen during Redmond 2050, and generally implement Redmond 2050 policy direction.

These two packages are the final Redmond 2050 packages to be reviewed for adoption in 2024. Planning Commission Report materials can be found in the September 3 business meeting packet beginning on page 57.

Staff also included proposed RMC amendments in the September 3 packet that are needed to implement Council direction on related Redmond 2050 content.

- Proposed amendments to RMC 3.38, Multifamily Housing Property Tax Exemption (MFTE) update MFTE provisions for Overlake and Neighborhood zones to align with proposed inclusionary zoning updates and expand the geography within which MFTE can support the development of affordable housing. An updated version of RMC 3.38 is attached to this memo (Attachment B). It includes one additional proposed Residential Targeted Area (RTA). Staff will ask the Council to set a hearing date by resolution on Oct. 1 in order to hold a state-required hearing on Oct. 15.
- Proposed amendments to RMC 3.10, Impact Fees, create exemptions from transportation impact fees for affordable housing and daycares, and update transportation impact fees to reflect the proposed Transportation Facilities Plan (TFP).
- Proposed amendments to RMC 13.20, Stormwater Drainage Capital Facilities Charges, align with recommended changes to Overlake zoning regulations to allow up to 100% lot coverage on a site (see especially RMC 13.20.047).

In March 2024, Council indicated support for setting a higher transportation impact fee rate (\$8,200 per person trip) than staff proposed at the time (\$6,200). Staff committed to bring back a proposed set of additional projects that could be funded by adopting a higher rate. That work is not complete, and so staff is recommending that the Council adopt the TFP and transportation impact fee schedule as proposed while the work continues. Adopting a new a TFP in 2024 is important because 1) development projects are waiting on a new TFP so that the projects will be eligible for impact fee credits, 2) most TFP projects have been built and without a new TFP Redmond risks having to slow down or pause development until a new plan is adopted.

To fulfill the earlier commitment to Council, staff will seek feedback from the Council on a proposed project prioritization methodology in November, then in 2025 staff will propose TFP amendments based on that methodology and on the higher impact fee rate as part of the update to the Transportation Master Plan.

☒ **Additional Background Information/Description of Proposal Attached**

REQUESTED ACTION:

☐ **Receive Information** ☒ **Provide Direction** ☐ **Approve**

REQUEST RATIONALE:

- **Relevant Plans/Policies:**
Policy PI-15 calls for periodic Comprehensive Plan reviews.
- **Required:**
The Growth Management Act requires that Washington cities and counties review and, if needed, revise their comprehensive plans and development regulations every ten years. For King County cities the periodic review must be completed by December 31, 2024.
The Water System Plan update is required under Chapter 246-290-100 Washington Administrative Code (WAC).
- **Council Request:**
The City Council requested quarterly reports on project milestones, staff progress, and public involvement.
- **Other Key Facts:**
N/A

OUTCOMES:

Updating the Redmond Comprehensive Plan will ensure that the Plan is consistent with state law and regional policy direction; advances equity and inclusion, sustainability, and resiliency; and that Redmond is prepared for growth expected through the year 2050.

Development and adoption of the WSP and GWP, including through the implementation of associated capital projects, ensures the City is taking appropriate actions to: protect its underground drinking water aquifer; provide sufficient water storage and distribution to meet the community's drinking water, irrigation, and fire flow needs; and provide wastewater collection services for its growing population.

COMMUNITY/STAKEHOLDER OUTREACH AND INVOLVEMENT:

- **Timeline (previous or planned):**
Outreach for Summer 2024 Omnibus / Wrap-Up package occurred in Q2 and Q3 2024.
 - The Redmond 2050 Technical Advisory Committee reviewed portions of the package at its May 31 and June 28 meetings.
 - The Planning Commission most recently held briefings and study sessions and May, June, and July, with public hearings on June 26 (WSP, GWP) and July 24 (Omnibus).
 - Staff tabled at Derby Days on July 13 to raise awareness about Redmond 2050 generally.
- **Outreach Methods and Results:**
Redmond 2050 outreach methods have included:
 - Redmond 2050 Website
 - Digital City Hall Lobby
 - Let's Connect questionnaires, idea boards, and other tools
 - Press releases and Social media
 - Short videos and posting of recordings of workshops
 - Yard signs and Posters
 - Utility Bill inserts
 - Email newsletters to multiple City lists and partner organizations
 - Hiring of Eastside for All for intensive, focused community engagement

- Stakeholder input and Focus group meetings
- Hybrid and remote workshops, interviews, and office hours
- Tabling at community events
- Pop-up events in community spaces and workplaces
- Translation of selected materials
- Community Advisory Committee input
- Technical Advisory Committee input
- Planning Commission public hearings
- Human Services Commission meetings
- Other boards & Commissions meetings
- Mailed property owner notifications

Quarterly engagement summaries are available at [redmond.gov/1495](http://www.redmond.gov/1495) <<http://www.redmond.gov/1495>>.

- **Feedback Summary:**

The Planning Commission received public testimony on the Summer 2024 Omnibus / Wrap-up package. Topics included:

- Ensuring that the “Transition to New Standards” section of the Overlake regulations would work as intended and not stop projects in the pipeline.
- Concern that phased projects in the pipeline in Overlake will not be able to vest to 2024 regulations.
- Appreciation for City staff’s responsiveness.
- Language recommendations for policy NE-22 concerning “beneficial public infrastructure uses”
- Allowed and prohibited land uses in the Critical Aquifer Recharge Area.

The Planning Commission deliberations included substantive discussion of the following topics (see Planning Commission Reports Appendix A for details):

- Comprehensive Plan
 - Smart-city policy language
 - First- and last-mile connections to transit
 - Building materials in capital facilities
 - Updating definitions of greenhouse gas and universal design in the Comprehensive Plan glossary
 - Removing the draft foreword, revising, and bringing it forward separately
- Zoning Code
 - New land use table format, including discussion of residential uses
 - Organization and content of new landscaping open space chapters
 - Affordable housing in neighborhoods (see this summary, which the Commission requested be shared with the Council: <https://www.redmond.gov/DocumentCenter/View/33505/2024_07-31---Omnibus---Att-B---Affordable-Housing-in-Neighborhoods-PDF>.
- Water System Plan
 - Planning assumptions and transmission/supply planning details provided by Cascade Water Alliance.
 - Water conservation needs in light of changing climatic conditions and possible water supply impacts.

BUDGET IMPACT:

Total Cost:

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\$4,616,401 is the total value of the Community and Economic Development budget offer. This budget offer includes staff and consultant resources necessary to complete Redmond 2050. The Water System Plan, including a separate Risk and Resiliency Assessment was budgeted at \$600,000. The General Wastewater Plan update was budgeted at \$147,533.

Approved in current biennial budget: ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A

Budget Offer Number: 0000040, 0000003, 0000147

Budget Priority: Vibrant and Connected, Healthy and Sustainable

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

If yes, explain: N/A

Funding source(s): General Fund, Washington State Department of Commerce grants, City Water and Wastewater Utility funds

Budget/Funding Constraints:

☐ Additional budget details attached

COUNCIL REVIEW:

Previous Contact(s)

| Date | Meeting | Requested Action |
|------------|--|---------------------|
| 10/6/2020 | Business Meeting | Approve |
| 11/17/2020 | Business Meeting | Receive Information |
| 3/16/2021 | Business Meeting | Receive Information |
| 3/23/2021 | Study Session | Provide Direction |
| 6/15/2021 | Business Meeting | Receive Information |
| 6/22/2021 | Study Session | Provide Direction |
| 9/21/2021 | Business Meeting | Receive Information |
| 9/28/2021 | Study Session | Provide Direction |
| 11/16/2021 | Business Meeting | Receive Information |
| 11/23/2021 | Study Session | Provide Direction |
| 2/15/2022 | Business Meeting | Receive Information |
| 5/3/2022 | Business Meeting | Receive Information |
| 5/10/2022 | Study Session | Provide Direction |
| 6/7/2022 | Committee of the Whole - Planning and Public Works | Receive Information |
| 7/19/2022 | Business Meeting | Receive Information |
| 7/26/2022 | Study Session | Provide Direction |
| 8/9/2022 | Study Session | Provide Direction |
| 10/4/2022 | Business Meeting | Receive Information |

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| 10/11/2022 | Study Session | Provide Direction |
| 1/17/2023 | Business Meeting | Receive Information |
| 1/24/2023 | Study Session | Provide Direction |
| 3/7/2023 | Business Meeting | Receive Information |
| 3/14/2023 | Study Session | Provide Direction |
| 7/18/2023 | Business Meeting | Receive Information |
| 9/5/2023 | Business Meeting | Receive Information |
| 9/12/2023 | Study Session | Provide Direction |
| 9/26/2023 | Study Session | Provide Direction |
| 10/3/2023 | Business Meeting | Receive Information |
| 10/10/2023 | Study Session | Provide Direction |
| 11/28/2023 | Study Session | Provide Direction |
| 1/9/2024 | Study Session | Provide Direction |
| 1/23/2024 | Study Session | Provide Direction |
| 2/6/2024 | Business Meeting | Receive Information |
| 2/13/2024 | Study Session | Provide Direction |
| 2/27/2024 | Study Session | Provide Direction |
| 3/5/2024 | Business Meeting | Receive Information |
| 3/12/2024 | Study Session | Provide Direction |
| 3/26/2024 | Study Session | Provide Direction |
| 4/2/2024 | Business Meeting | Receive Information |
| 4/9/2024 | Study Session | Provide Direction |
| 5/7/2024 | Business Meeting | Receive Information |
| 6/4/2024 | Business Meeting | Receive Information |
| 6/11/2024 | Study Session | Provide Direction |
| 7/2/2024 | Business Meeting | Receive Information |
| 7/9/2024 | Study Session | Receive Information |
| 9/3/2024 | Business Meeting | Receive Information |
| 9/10/2024 | Study Session | Provide Direction |

Proposed Upcoming Contact(s)

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| 10/8/2024 | Study Session | Provide Direction |

Time Constraints:

The Comprehensive Plan periodic update must be complete by Dec. 31, 2024. The 2011 Water System Plan was due for an update by July 2024. Department of Health has approved the delay in completion and adoption of the plan, but additional delays would be detrimental as there are capital projects recommended in the Plan that should be added to the CIP and budgeted.

ANTICIPATED RESULT IF NOT APPROVED:

Staff is not requesting action at this time.

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment A: Council Questions and Discussion Topics

Attachment B: Corrected Amendments to RZC 21.12.505 Transition to New Standards (for Overlake)

| Issue | Discussion Notes | Issue Status |
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| Water System Plan | | |
| Water Storage Planning (Overlake focus) (Stuart) | <p>Councilmember Comment</p> <p>9/10: Councilmember Stuart asked when storage would be needed to address needs identified in the Water System Plan. She expressed concern that, in an emergency, sufficient water would not be available in the right place at the right time.</p> | Opened 9/3 |
| <i>Begin discussion 9/10</i> | <p>9/3: Councilmember Stuart asked what steps are needed to plan for the anticipated water storage deficit in Overlake, especially in light of anticipated growth in the area. CM Stuart expressed the importance of addressing potential storage shortfalls ahead of growth.</p> <p>Staff Comment</p> <p>Given the ability to move water supply within the system as needed, the needs identified in Overlake can be met by adding storage in multiple locations in Rose Hill and Overlake. The well service area (including the Education Hill Tanks) can be fed by the higher Rose Hill/Overlake pressure zones but the higher Rose Hill/Overlake pressure zones cannot be fed by the well service area. Additional storage in Rose Hill will directly benefit the Overlake area. The WSP specifically identifies adding a third storage tank on Education Hill where there is adequate space to construct a new 2-3 MG storage tank. The total estimated cost to add the needed storage is \$24 million (in 2023 \$). Project design and construction would likely take three years from start to finish. The project is not on the current CIP but has been identified and will be prioritized as needed. The City of Kirkland is designing a new tank to replace the South Rose Hill Reservoir. That project, when completed, will offer 1.12 MG additional storage to Redmond. City of Bellevue is also exploring a project to add storage in Overlake that could benefit Redmond. To provide the total volume identified in the current plan, a new reservoir site will be needed to meet the 20-year demand.</p> <p>9/16: The WSP analysis shows that in the Bellevue/Overlake/Viewpoint service area, water source capacity (supply feeding the area) has a large surplus, even under the most conservative assumptions. The deficit is only with storage.</p> <p>Redmond's engineering standard requires sufficient storage for 400 gallons per Equivalent Residential Unit (ERU). Washington State Department of Health (WSDOH) requires a minimum storage of 200 gallons per ERU. Current storage meets the WSDOH standard but not the City of Redmond's. Our storage requirements are based on conservative assumptions that have been in place in Redmond for the last 20+ years. We may want to revisit this at some point, but doing so in this WSP is not feasible as it has already been through review by Department of Ecology, Department of Health and King County.</p> | |

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| | <p>Water from both of the Rose Hill reservoirs in Kirkland can be used to feed the Overlake service area. Redmond's share of the capacity of these reservoirs is five million gallons. While that volume of water is not used in the WSP storage calculations, it can be used in an emergency. The additional 1.12 MG storage allocated to Redmond in the proposed South Rose Hill Reservoir improvement can also be used in an emergency for Overlake. Additionally, Bellevue is looking at building a third reservoir that may also feed the Overlake service area.</p> <p>Public Works is actively investigating the most cost-effective options to provide additional storage <u>in Overlake</u>. If the current storage assumptions are maintained, the additional storage will be costly and will require consideration as part of a rate study in the near future. Construction or enhancement of reservoirs by Kirkland and Bellevue will reduce the amount and cost of storage Redmond will need to build.</p> | |
| <p>Alignment with Redmond 2050 (Stuart)</p> <p><i>Begin discussion 9/10</i></p> | <p>Councilmember Comment Councilmember Stuart noted that Section 2.3.2 references Redmond 2030 population and zoning assumptions. She requested clarification on how the Water System Plan will be updated to reflect Redmond 2050 planning assumptions.</p> <p>Staff Comment Maps included in Section 2.3.2 of the Water System Plan were based on zoning at the time of its drafting (2023). These maps will be updated to reflect new zoning, once Redmond 2050 and associated zoning code changes are approved and adopted by Council. At that time, the model will be updated to reflect adopted zoning assumptions to identify any needed improvements to transmission lines, storage or booster pumps. Since pipe sizing is based on fire flow, staff anticipate few significant changes to the piping networks with the exception of areas that have been rezoned from single family to multi family or commercial. Growth projections in the Water System Plan under review by Council are based on the preferred growth alternative from Redmond 2050 and will not need to be updated.</p> | <p>Opened 9/3 Closed 9/10</p> |
| <p>Reclaimed Water (Stuart)</p> <p><i>Begin discussion 9/10</i></p> | <p>Councilmember Comment Councilmember Stuart asked staff to share the Memoranda of Understanding with Cascade Water Alliance re: reclaimed water and asked what actions the City would need to take to support the use of reclaimed water outside the Critical Aquifer Recharge Area (CARA).</p> <p>Staff Comment Copies of the requested MOUs are included as attachments in the September 10 Council packet.</p> | <p>Opened 9/3 Closed 9/10</p> |

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| | <p>The Water System Plan includes an evaluation of reclaimed water opportunities within the city (Section 7.4). CARA areas are excluded from the evaluation given City concerns re: movement of contaminants into the shallow drinking water aquifer. The evaluation notes that serving reclaimed water would require planning and installation of an entirely separate network of pipes to deliver the reclaimed water, along with execution of an Interlocal Agreement with King County. This infrastructure investment is quite costly and would be enormously disruptive. Development of a reclaimed water pipe network is not currently considered a high priority capital improvement.</p> | |
| <p>Limits on Bottling Water for Resale (Forsythe)</p> <p><i>Begin discussion 9/10</i></p> | <p>Councilmember Comment Council Vice President Forsythe asked for information on how the Council's recent policy work related to restricting commercial water bottling activities is reflected in the Water System Plan.</p> <p>Staff Comment The policy work related to commercial water bottling activities is outside of the scope of the Water System Plan.</p> | <p>Opened 9/3 Closed 9/10</p> |
| <p>Water System Risk Mitigation Planning (Fields)</p> <p><i>Begin discussion 9/10</i></p> | <p>Councilmember Comment Councilmember Fields requested information on the key risks facing Redmond's water distribution and storage system and asked how the Water System Plan addresses or mitigates such risks.</p> <p>Staff Comment Redmond's 2020 Risk and Resilience Assessment (RRA), a component of the Water System Planning process, followed a federally recognized 7-step process to identify and propose how to manage risks to Redmond's water system. Threats to key Redmond water system assets included cybersecurity threats, failure of infrastructure (due to age or damage from earthquakes), and accidental contamination. Mitigation measures, several of which have been implemented, include: improving physical security at priority assets such as reservoirs, tanks and wells; controlling access to key areas; training staff; developing incident action checklists; and ensuring the availability of backup power sources. The Water System Plan outlines an Emergency Response Program (Section 11.6) and notes that the City is a member of WAWARN (Washington Water/Wastewater Agency Response Network), an organization that allows Redmond to receive rapid mutual aid and assistance from other water systems during an emergency. Both the Risk and Resiliency Analysis and Emergency Response Plan will be updated as needed by mid-2025. For security reasons, the Risk and Resiliency Analysis and Emergency Response Plans are not included in the Water System Plan.</p> | <p>Opened 9/3</p> |

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| PFAS Testing (Stuart) | Councilmember Comment The Planning Commission recommend more frequent and expanded water quality testing in City wells. At the study session on September 10, the Commission leadership provided further context that the particular concern is PFAS. The current testing schedule is listed on page 256 of Attachment C and shows that Redmond currently tests for PFAS every three years. What would be needed in budget, staffing, or lab capacity in order to increase the frequency of PFAS testing to annually? | Opened 9/13 |
| | Staff Comment 9/18: The City could increase to annual testing for all of its water supply sources with minimal additional investment. We have sufficient staff capacity in our Water Quality Division to take on sample collection and handling. Our operating budget, which is designed to accommodate a dynamic water quality monitoring schedule, should be able to absorb the additional costs for analysis through a certified lab. | |
| | The City's water quality monitoring schedule is issued by the State Department of Health and changes regularly based on sample results, changing federal regulations, and new methods of analysis. Staff are working with subject matter experts internally and with our partners at the Department of Health to understand if there are benefits, as well as any potential unintended impacts of deviating from our established water quality monitoring schedule for PFAS. | |
| Rose Hill Tank Project (Stuart) | Councilmember Comment During the September 10 study session, staff and the Council discussed the role of the joint use tank in Kirkland in storing water for Redmond. We were reminded that this tank has a current project in our CIP. The title of that project is "tank painting and seismic retrofit." Please clarify if this project in the current CIP adds additional capacity to that asset, or just extends its reliability. | Opened 9/13 |
| | Staff Comment 9/16: The original project scope was for tank painting and seismic retrofit. During engineering analysis by the City of Kirkland's engineering consultant it was discovered that the tank could not be retrofitted adequately and would need to be replaced with a new reservoir. The new reservoir will be larger, providing additional storage for Kirkland, Bellevue and Redmond. Redmond's share of the project cost with additional storage is \$10.56 million dollars. The current CIP has the tank project funded at \$2.9 million with construction to be completed in 2025, which will not be met. As the owner of the reservoir, City of Kirkland is working on scheduling the updated project and necessary funding, and will continue to coordinate with Redmond and Bellevue to move the project forward. Public Works is coordinating with Finance to secure additional funding for the project and based on the current schedule, the funds will not be needed in the next few years. | |

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| Wastewater General Plan | | |
| Wastewater System Risk Mitigation Planning (Fields) <i>Begin discussion 9/10</i> | Councilmember Comment Councilmember Fields requested information on the key risks facing Redmond’s Wastewater System and asked how the General Wastewater Plan addresses or mitigates such risks. Staff Comment The biggest risk for the wastewater system is overflowing during a heavy rainfall event. We use a computer model to predict where, and how much, surcharging will occur during a 100-year rainfall event under “Buildout” conditions. Many municipalities and King County use a 20-year rainfall event. Redmond used a 20-year event until the 2021 GWP when the city switched to a 100-year event because the City of Redmond Climate Vulnerability Assessment Report predicted more frequent and intense storms as climate change progressed. The City currently does not have a way to monitor the wastewater levels in manholes during heavy rain events to check against the model predictions. We plan on developing a Flow Monitoring Program to corroborate the modeling results and help determine the appropriate storm intensity to use. | Opened 9/3 |
| Rose Hill Septic to Sewer Conversion (Kritzer) <i>Begin discussion 9/10</i> | Councilmember Comment Council President Kritzer requested information on how the General Wastewater Plan address septic to sewer conversions on Rose Hill. Staff Comment Many of the hard-to-serve septic parcels are along the 132 nd corridor. Kirkland owns all the 132 nd corridor right-of-way and would not allow Redmond’s sewer pipe in their ROW. Staff is working on an agreement with Kirkland on a Master Wastewater Plan to serve the 132 nd corridor. Once completed, the GWP will be amended to show how each parcel could be connected to sewer. A Septic to Sewer program could then be developed to get these parcels off septic. A Septic to Sewer program would need funding/staffing, policies outlining how much the ratepayers fund versus the homeowner, a loan program for fixed/low-income homeowners, and how to prioritize where to build sewer pipe with the available funds. People generally don’t want to pay to connect to sewer until their septic fails. | Opened 9/3 Closed 9/10 |
| Omnibus Package – Comprehensive Plan | | |
| Rent Data | Councilmember Comment | Opened 9/3 |



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| (Forsythe) <i>Begin discussion 9/10</i> | <p>9/10: Council decided to keep the 2021 ACS numbers in the Plan, recognizing that there would be ongoing monitoring.</p> <p>9/3: Council Vice President Forsythe noted that documentation in the Housing Element includes rent data from 2021, which do not reflect current realities. She would like to see the numbers updated.</p> <p>Staff Comment The Redmond 2050 Housing Element contains data from many sources. One of the primary sources is the United States Census Bureau data. Rent data is drawn from United States Census Bureau Data table DP04 Selected Housing Characteristics, 2021 5-Year Estimates. As of the writing of this discussion topic matrix, the newest version of this source is the 2022 5-Year Estimates. The change from 2021 to 2022 for median rent is \$2,172 to \$2,299. This change in median rent vales does not impact the overall policy direction of the Housing Element.</p> | Closed 9/10 |
| Smart City Language (Kritzer) | <p>Councilmember Comment Council President Kritzer asked where the revised language for smart cities can be found in the Economic Vitality Element.</p> <p>Staff Comment Based on Council feedback, policy EV-12, Smart Cities, was modified for the omnibus package. During Commission review of the omnibus package, Commissioner Van Niman requested more active language around the concept in EV-12 - "...Encourage other service providers to do the same."</p> <p>The Planning Commission recommended -</p> <p>EV-12 - Implement and promote smart-city technological initiatives that enhance the city's economic vitality while ensuring data privacy and security. Encourage <u>Collaborate with</u> other service providers to do the same <u>take similar actions</u>.</p> <p>Please note that this version of the policy was inadvertently not included in the Council's omnibus package presented at the staff report Sept. 3, 2024. It has been updated in the source file and will be part of the adoption package to be previewed on Nov. 4.</p> | Opened 9/3 |
| Risk Mitigation (Fields) | <p>Councilmember Comment Councilmember Fields asked for a risk mitigation plan. What are the key risks, especially infrastructure risks, that the City sees in this planning period? How will the Council and community respond and mitigate if those risks manifest?</p> | Opened 9/3 |

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| | <p>Staff Comment Specific water system and wastewater system risks are addressed above, separately.</p> <p>Key risks in comprehensive planning generally include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inaccurate assumptions about growth, either the total amount, or in where growth “wants” to occur. • Inaccurate assumptions about human behavior, such as how people travel or household size. • Technological advances that upend one or more planning assumptions, such as how advances in video conferencing have changed how people work, or the unpredictable consequences of the widespread use of artificial intelligence. <p>Some mitigation strategies for these risks include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regularly updating plans to take account of new information and course correct as needed. • Making plans that can be implemented in a wide variety of conditions, or in other words, are resilient to real-world conditions. For example, the zoning regulations that will implement Redmond 2050 allow for some flexibility in how Redmond accommodates its growth target. If the market moves more toward a specific location or building typology, the plan can accommodate that. • Redmond 2050 included a main theme of resiliency in the review and update, including adopting a resiliency lens and review protocol. More information can be found at redmond.gov/1598 and redmond.gov/DocumentCenter/View/19917/Themes-20-Report---July-2021 <p>Redmond 2050 Theme and Definition of Resiliency:</p> <p><u><i>Resiliency: Ensuring that the community, as a whole, is prepared for, able to adapt to, and can recover effectively from disruptive conditions.</i></u></p> <p>Key infrastructure risks during this planning period, apart from those already identified for the water and wastewater systems, include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Climate Change impacts were folded into the development of the growth scenarios and evaluated as a part of the SEPA Environmental Impact Statement process. • Growth happens more quickly than anticipated, stressing infrastructure. One of the hallmarks of growth management in Washington state is the concept of “concurrency” – that infrastructure needs to keep pace with growth. This is implemented in Redmond through Comprehensive Plan policies and development regulations that require a showing of concurrency. As a last resort these policies and regulations pause development approvals under concurrency can be achieved. | |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fiscal conditions change rapidly and unexpectedly. A severe recession, or major changes in how much outside revenue the City receives for infrastructure, or a combination, would impact the City's ability to fund infrastructure. Mitigation measures include adopting prudent fiscal policies, which Redmond has, and re-opening plans to account for changed conditions. <p>The City also has an adopted Hazard Mitigation Plan. See redmond.gov/589/Emergency-Plans.</p> | |
| Bringing the Comprehensive Plan Together (Kritzer) | <p>Councilmember Comment Council President Kritzer asked to discuss how the entire Comprehensive Plan is coming together as part of the Omnibus package.</p> <p>Staff Comment Early in the development of Redmond 2050 the Council endorsed themes around which the plan would be built. The themes are equity and inclusion, sustainability, and resilience. The themes are the primary way that the Comprehensive Plan coheres. With the Omnibus package, staff's objectives were to improve consistency across elements drafted at different times by different people, correct errors, incorporate requests made since the elements were last reviewed, remove duplication where appropriate, and generally tie all Comprehensive Plan elements together. The last objective was achieved in part by drafting the Goals, Vision, and Framework Element, which functions as a plan summary and contains and extended vision statement.</p> <p>Staff welcomes Council discussion on how the Comprehensive Plan reads as a cohesive document.</p> | Opened 9/3 |
| Letter from Snoqualmie Tribe (Stuart) | <p>Councilmember Comment Has the Council seen the letter from Snoqualmie Tribes? It would be helpful to see the full context, in addition to the edits made throughout the omnibus package.</p> <p>Staff Comment The letter from the Snoqualmie Tribe can be found in the public comments of the Planning Commission Report for the Natural Environment element: https://www.redmond.gov/DocumentCenter/View/32910/2024_05-08-NE-CAR---PC-Report---Appendices#page=57</p> <p>Updates made responding to the Tribe's comments:</p> | Opened 9/13 |

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| | <p>Natural Environment Element</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Intro/Vision Statement <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Add statement on significance of area to local tribes Reference indigenous knowledge in planning processes Background section <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Add language recognizing tribal stewardship of area land and waters Address indigenous knowledge in environmental stewardship Section C - Tree Canopy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Add contextual statement on culturally modified trees (CMTs) Add CMT identification and protection language to policy NE-86 <p>Critical Areas Regulations</p> <p>In the April 5 letter, the Snoqualmie Tribe requested that the City or Redmond apply the same protective buffers for fish bearing streams to non-fish bearing streams. City staff evaluated doing this. However, since a large portion of the city has already been developed, increasing the non-fish bearing buffers would create nonconformities and would not provide an ecological lift due to the disconnect of hydrological functions due to buildings and impervious surfaces.</p> <p>Parks, Arts, Recreation, Culture, and Conservation Element</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Added paragraph to vision statement reflecting indigenous knowledge, responsible recreation, and tribal access. Participation, Implementation and Evaluation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Revised language in Policy PI-5: "PI-5 Promote and honor government relationships with federally recognized tribes, ensuring substantial opportunities for tribal governments to review the city's plans and projects." | |
| <p>Culturally Modified Trees (Stuart)</p> | <p>Councilmember Comment</p> <p>Page 122: Please share examples of "culturally modified trees" in Redmond, as addressed by the letter from the Snoqualmie Tribes.</p> <p>Staff Comment</p> <p>City staff are not aware of, and have not been made aware of, any culturally modified trees (CMTs) in Redmond. Based on the Tribe's feedback, narrative text was added to the Natural Environment element's <i>Section C - Tree Canopy</i> to provide context on this topic, as well as add policy language to help support efforts to identify and protect CMTs.</p> | <p>Opened 9/13</p> |

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| | <p>The narrative that introduces the Tree Preservation and Canopy Enhancement section is shown below, together with policy NE-86. The bolded and underlined text is the proposed addition to the policy.</p> <p><i>The tree preservation and canopy enhancement policies address the value of protecting trees and enhancing the placement of trees within the city. A healthy tree canopy supports stormwater management and provides water quality improvements in receiving waters, as well as helps resist the spread of wildfire during drier months. In addition, the preservation of trees is important for the cultural and ecological heritage of the region. Culturally Modified Trees, or CMTs, are trees that were modified in some way by past or current Indigenous People. CMTs are cultural resources and are non-renewable. The City will work with local tribal communities to identify and preserve CMTs.</i></p> <p><i>The City maintains and regularly updates a Tree Canopy Strategic Plan to implement the policies found in this section.</i></p> <p>...</p> <p>NE-86 Maximize tree retention and a treed appearance when development occurs through the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Require the retention of viable tree clusters, forested slopes, treed gullies, and specimen trees that are of species that are long-lived, not dangerous, well-shaped to shield wind, and located so that they can survive within a development without other nearby trees. Design and construct developments to retain trees. Identify and protect trees during land divisions and site development. Allow some tree removal in Centers when required to allow development of climate-friendly higher-density and transit-oriented development. Allow removal of nonsignificant trees to provide for project construction. Plant replacement trees on appropriate areas of the site or off-site locations to replace significant trees removed during construction. Encourage appropriate tree pruning, avoiding topping. <u>Identify possible Culturally Modified Trees (CMTs) and take appropriate action to protect them in consultation with tribal communities.</u> | |

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| | <p>Examples of culturally modified trees:</p> <div data-bbox="478 321 846 508"> <p>This is an Indian Marker Tree, or culturally modified tree perhaps dating as far back to pre-Columbian times. Native Americans used to tie specific trees as saplings to create this curve as it grows to mark paths through high ground. Commonly found throughout North America in the Great Lakes Region. This specific tree is a sugar maple. Photos by me. Beaver Island, Michigan.</p> </div>  <div data-bbox="867 321 1297 410"> <p>A culturally modified tree in Gifford Pinchot National Forest, Washington</p> </div>  | |
| <p>Capital Facilities (Stuart)</p> | <p>Councilmember Comment Page 142/Capital Facilities: Regarding large capital needs over the next 20 years, I suggest that we modify the language to include location of public safety facilities. Suggested edit: "new, upgraded, <u>and appropriately located</u> fire stations and public safety facilities..."</p> <p>Staff Comment Pending Council direction, the Capital Facilities element will be updated with proposed language.</p> | <p>Opened 9/13</p> |
| <p>Mental Health (Human Services Element) (Stuart)</p> | <p>Councilmember Comment Page 202/Regarding current conditions: Suggested edit to be more inclusive. "Mental health is a challenge for many community members, which is made worse due to the lack of accessible mental health services. Disparate impacts of mental distress are found with: Lesbian, gay, <u>bisexual, and transgender</u> community members..."</p> | <p>Opened 9/13</p> |

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| | <p>Staff Comment Pending Council direction, the Human Services element will be updated with proposed language.</p> | |
| <p>Collaboration with Bellevue re: water storage in Overlake (Stuart)</p> | <p>Councilmember Comment Page 225/OV-2: Per water system plan, add water storage facilities to the list of facilities to collaborate with Bellevue on. Suggested edit: "Coordinate on transportation and other public facilities, such as <u>water storage and</u> regional stormwater treatment facilities, that impact both cities."</p> <p>Staff Comment Pending Council direction, the policy language will be revised as suggested.</p> | Opened 9/13 |
| <p>Definition of Equity (Stuart)</p> | <p>Councilmember Comment Page 456/Glossary: The definition of equity provided in this plan's glossary is important because it's a key value of all of the policies included. The definition here is similar, but slightly different, than the city's working definition that Council saw in the spring (draft REDI AR plan). Please share the context for the change from "equal access" to "equal" services.</p> <p>Staff Comment The recommended Comprehensive Plan Glossary definition of equity is:</p> <p><i>The City provides all community members with equal and effective city services, resources, opportunities, and influence so that all people achieve their full potential and thrive. Equity is a purposeful and eager journey toward well-being as defined by those most negatively impacted.</i></p> <p>The current draft REDI plan definition of equity (revised since spring) is:</p> <p><i>We treat people fairly and provide access to opportunities, resources, and decision-making processes, regardless of identity.</i></p> <p>The definition of Equity recommended in the glossary of the Comprehensive Plan was created as a component of the Redmond 2050 community engagement process - by the community for the community. The REDI plan definition was developed for the purpose of managing internal programs on equity and inclusion and was created through engagements with City staff, leadership, Council, and the Civics Results Team during the budget process. The Welcoming Committee is currently reviewing and</p> | Opened 9/13 |

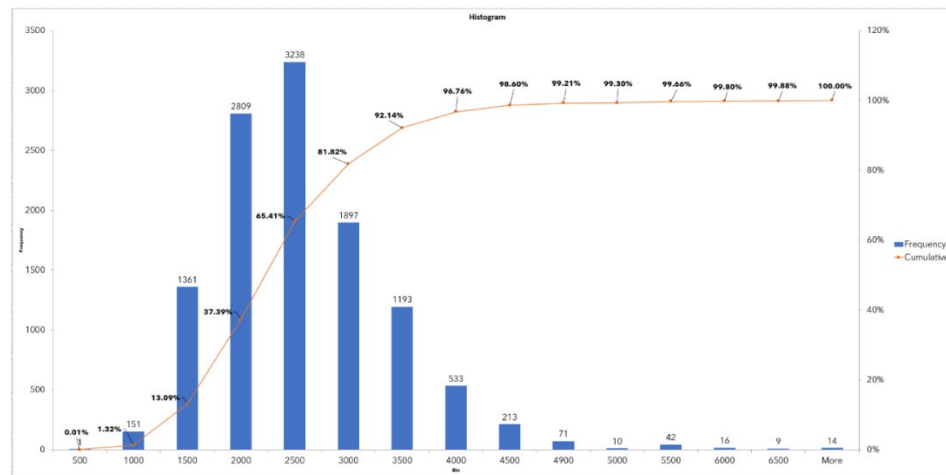
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| <p>Minor Revisions to Comprehensive Plan Responding to Review from Department of Commerce (Staff)</p> | <p>offering their input into the final REDI plan, and a copy of the community generated definition of Equity from Redmond 2050 will be provided to them to inform their work.</p> <p>Councilmember Comment</p> <p>Staff Comment The Washington State Department of Commerce identified three recommended changes in a recent review of the Redmond Comprehensive Plan. A final comment letter is pending. The three recommended changes are described below.</p> <p><u>Land Use Element</u> Commerce staff recommends adding policy language specifically addressing environmental justice, consistent with recent changes in the Growth Management Act. Staff recommends adding a bullet point to FW-LU-2, which is a framework policy identifying the objectives of Redmond’s land use pattern. The additional objective would be: “Reduces and protects against disproportionate negative impacts from land development and exposure to environmental injustice.”</p> <p>Staff also recommends editing policy LU-9 in the Land Use Compatibility section: Ensure that land uses <u>consider environmental justice and</u> meet development regulations that limit adverse impacts, such as noise, spillover lighting, glare, vibration, smoke, and fumes.</p> <p>Finally, staff recommends adding the following language to LU-23 as a new bullet point, directing the City to consider “Community members most vulnerable to climate change, and those with disproportionate exposure to environmental injustice.”</p> <p><u>Population Projection</u> Commerce staff asked that the Comprehensive Plan include a population projection that is used consistently throughout the plan. Currently the plan discusses dwelling units, not population. Staff is developing a projection that is consistent with the preferred growth alternative. It will be available on or before the November 4 Committee of the Whole meeting.</p> <p><u>Accessory Dwelling Units</u> Commerce noted that ADU’s should be a permitted use in all zones where residential uses are allowed. There was a drafting error that inadvertently omitted ADU’s as a permitted use in the Urban Recreation zone, where homes are allowed. Staff will correct the error.</p> | <p>Opened 9/24</p> |

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| <p align="center">Omnibus Package – RZC and RMC Amendments</p> | | |
| <p>Outcomes of Grant for Multifamily Property Tax Exemption (Anderson)</p> <p><i>Begin discussion 9/10</i></p> | <p>Councilmember Comment Councilmember expressed interest in the outcomes of the Housing Action Plan Implementation (HAPI) Grant and the associated updates to IZ and MFTE parameters.</p> <p>Staff Comment Broadly, the HAPI grant work has informed both recommended affordability outcomes (mandatory inclusionary zoning (MIZ) and voluntary multifamily property tax exemption program (MFTE). The work provided economic data and financial feasibility models which have serve as one input into various affordability analyses.</p> <p>State law requires that jurisdictions create “Residential Targeted Areas” (RTAs) to identify geographic areas where developments might be eligible for local jurisdiction MFTE programs. Currently, the City of Redmond has Residential Targeted Areas: Downtown, Marymoor, and Overlake.</p> <p>Each of the RTAs have unique qualifying program parameters. Currently, the 8-year MFTE exemption parameters for Downtown are 10% of units at 60% Area Median Income. In contrast, Marymoor 8-year MFTE exemption parameters are 10% of units at 50%.</p> <p>Currently, the MFTE parameters require deeper levels of affordability (as determined by required AMI levels for the affordable housing units) than the underlying MIZ parameters, in exchange for the tax exemptions. The Redmond 2050 approach is to align MIZ and MFTE parameters, such that developments satisfying MIZ will also be eligible for MFTE. The intent of this effort is to achieve deeper levels of affordability and increasing the already successful participation rate in the MFTE program.</p> <p>This immediate Redmond 2050 comprehensive plan update package proposes to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update 8-year MFTE parameters for Overlake (12.5% of units at 50% AMI) • Create two new MFTE RTAs: Neighborhoods and Faith-Based Institutions <p>The 2025 work plan includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update 8-year MFTE parameters for Marymoor and Downtown • Create one additional new MFTE RTA: Citywide Mixed-Use <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Will also have bespoke MFTE parameters • Continued analysis of 12-year and 20-year MFTE options | <p>Opened 9/3 Closed 9/10</p> |

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| <p>Detached Single Family Home Size – follow-up to Jun. 11 study session (Stuart, Salahuddin, Kritzer, Forsythe)</p> <p><i>Begin discussion 9/10</i></p> | <p>Councilmember comment: 9/10: Councilmembers discussed and did not have a majority in favor of moving away from the Planning Commission’s recommendation. Three Councilmembers favored a maximum of 4,500 sq. ft., two favored a maximum of 4,900 sq. ft, and one had no preference. One Councilmember was absent, whose opinion could be decisive.</p> <p>9/3: Councilmembers expressed interest in the discussion around the 4,900 sq. ft. size limit for a single dwelling unit.</p> <p>Staff comment: The Planning Commission chair and vice chair will attend the September 10 meeting to offer the Commission’s perspective on this topic. The Commission has not had additional discussion on this topic since making a recommendation to the Council. Below is information copied from the Council’s last discussion of this topic on June 11.</p> | Opened 9/3 |

Staff conducted analysis of the King County assessor’s data on single family dwelling size in Redmond. This data contains 11,558 records with an extraction date of 3/1/2024. Based on this data:

- **98.6%** of all single-family structures are **up to 4,500 sq. ft.**
- **99.2%** of all single-family structures are **up to 4,900 sq. ft.**
- **2,330 sq. ft.** is the average total living square feet for single-family structures.



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| Home size up to (sqft) | Frequency | Cumulative % |
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| 500 | 1 | 0.01% |
| 1000 | 151 | 1.32% |
| 1500 | 1361 | 13.09% |
| 2000 | 2809 | 37.39% |
| 2500 | 3238 | 65.41% |
| 3000 | 1897 | 81.82% |
| 3500 | 1193 | 92.14% |
| 4000 | 533 | 96.76% |
| 4500 | 213 | 98.60% |
| 4900 | 71 | 99.21% |
| 5000 | 10 | 99.30% |
| 5500 | 42 | 99.66% |
| 6000 | 16 | 99.80% |
| 6500 | 9 | 99.88% |
| Greater than 6500 | 14 | 100.00% |
| | 11558 | |

The maximum residential structure size would be based on “Gross Floor Area,” which is defined in RZC as “The area included within the surrounding exterior walls of a building or portion thereof, exclusive of vent shafts, elevator shafts, stairwells, courts, second-story atriums, and lobbies.” This definition includes below grade portions of the building, such as basements, and garages. By using the existing Gross Floor Area definition, the RZC will have a consistent methodology across all zones, which simplifies calculations for designers and staff.

Mayor Birney has identified a potential exemption to the maximum structure size for detached single-family homes for Council’s consideration, which is to exempt the finishing of interior space within an existing building envelope. This could be an unfinished basement or garage conversion, for example. The Assessor’s data extracted in March of 2024, indicates that there are no unfinished basements in single-family structures that are 4,900 sqft or bigger.

The 4,900 square foot limit impacts turnover from older homes to newer, larger, more expensive homes, but does not prevent the construction of detached single-family homes. Property owners will retain the freedom to redevelop older homes into new detached single-family homes if they choose to do so.

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| | <p>However, the size limit, combined with other proposed residential regulations amendments, will leverage market demand for more housing units to create financial incentives for middle housing. As such, the pressures of redevelopment on older (relatively) affordable housing stock would be similar under the proposed residential regulations amendments as to the status quo.</p> <p><u>Planning Commission Rationale for changing DSFH max square footage from 4,500 to 4,900:</u> This topic generated the majority of discussion from the Planning Commission. The Commission had a diversity of views on the appropriate size for the maximum limit on the detached single dwelling unit structure. Some Commissioners favored a limit of 5,000 sq. ft., and one commissioner favored a limit of 4,000 sq. ft. A majority recommendation emerged at 4,900 square feet.</p> <p>Planning commissioner viewpoints included the following considerations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3-car garages (for and against) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Whether garages should be included in the square footage limit calculations • Basements (finished and unfinished) • Home businesses • Creation of legally non-conforming properties • Intergenerational housing | |
| <p>Pre-fabricated Housing (Forsythe)</p> <p><i>Begin discussion 9/10</i></p> | <p>Councilmember Comment Council Vice President Forsythe noted a question from Planning Commission Chair Weston about how pre-fabricated housing would be allowed in the code. CVP Forsythe seeks clarity in the path for building pre-fabricated housing, as it is a cost-effective means of advancing middle housing goals.</p> <p>Staff Comment Pre-fabricated homes, etc., are reviewed and permitted in substantively the same manner as conventionally constructed homes. So long as the pre-fabricated home is code compliant then the review process should be substantively similar to conventionally constructed homes.</p> <p>The key component for determining the implication for pre-fabricated/manufactured housing review and permitting is whether or not the structure has a <u>permanent</u> foundation.</p> <p>Per RZC 21.08.320 (https://redmond.municipal.codes/RZC/21.08.320), "Designated Manufactured Homes" can be sited on individual residential lots; these need to be on a <u>permanent</u> foundation and must meet the applicable density and dimensional standards of the underlying zone.</p> | <p>Opened 9/3 Closed 9/10</p> |

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| | <p>"Manufactured Home" (https://redmond.municipal.codes/RZC/21.78_M) is a currently a distinct use in the Allowed Use Tables in the residential zones. It is a use by right in RA-5 through R-30. Manufactured homes (i.e. <u>not</u> on a permanent foundation) and mobile homes are permitted only in manufactured home parks and mobile home parks. Such parks are permitted through the binding site plan process in RA-5 through R-18 and must be a minimum of 3 acres. The units must meet the density and dimensional standards of the underlying zone, except for lot coverage and impervious surface coverage. There are also a number of additional requirements (parking, screening, separation, etc.).</p> | |
| <p>Achieving Middle Housing Goals (Forsythe)</p> <p><i>Begin discussion 9/10</i></p> | <p>Councilmember Comment</p> <p>Council Vice President Forsythe wrote: "Tonight [Sep. 3], we heard from a concerned resident about the health impacts of redevelopment in her neighborhood. Our new 2050 package is meant to work in favor of housing density and middle housing, but current economic trends are leading builders to build larger more expensive housing. How have we pivoted / future-proofed in the face of these economic trends to ensure we achieve our goals?"</p> <p>Staff Comment</p> <p>Middle housing development, like all development, is influenced by many factors. It is true that economic conditions can, and sometimes do, change radically. Some of these factors are outside of the City's influence.</p> <p>To support the actual creation of middle housing typologies, staff endeavored to provide flexibility in the middle housing zoning code regulations. For example, the Neighborhood Residential zoning district standards do not have individual regulatory standards for the different typologies of middle housing (e.g., cottages, townhomes, triplexes, etc.). Staff also sought to remove costly barriers to middle housing such as streamlining some design standards.</p> <p>In addition, the economic scaling of housing in Redmond (and other high cost of living areas with significant demand for housing) lends itself towards fiscally incentivizing developers to explore middle housing over conventional detached single-family housing. The reason for this is that, in some circumstances, it is plausible that one big house on a big lot would sell for less than the sum of multiple smaller houses on that same lot. We have seen this occur already in Redmond where a lot that contained a detached single-family dwelling redeveloped into a handful of townhomes and thus sold for a greater total sum. The proposed middle housing regulations, and on-going middle housing implementation work, will make it easier, faster, and cheaper for developers to create middle housing.</p> <p>Staff will also observe middle housing development trends and continue to iterate in order to improve outcomes for this important housing effort.</p> | <p>Opened 9/3 Closed 9/10</p> |

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| <p>Green Building Incentives vs. Requirements (Fields)</p> | <p>Councilmember Comment Councilmember Fields asked for a Council discussion on the incentivization of green building elements vs. adopting mandatory requirements. CM Fields met with staff on 9/12 and additional information has been added below in response to that meeting.</p> <p>Staff Comment (updated for 9/24 study session)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> As part of the Redmond Zoning Code Rewrite (RZCRW), an overhaul of the green building program was identified as a need as the current program is out of date and not matching current codes and trends. The direction at that time was to update the program but keep it voluntary and paired with incentive program updates. <p>From 2/13/24 Council Discussion Items: The City is updating its Green Building Incentive Program (RZC 21.67) to align with the ESAP and modernize the program. Key elements of the proposed Green Building Incentive Program include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 100% voluntary (consistent with the current program). Reorients towards outcomes rather than specific certification programs Applicable to multifamily and commercial projects. Requires all electric buildings. Aligns with the Washington Clean Building Performance Standard, which creates energy performance requirements for existing buildings 20,000 SF and above. Alignment with the CBPS promotes higher long term compliance with the state law and leverages a widely used standard defined and managed by the state. Creates flexibility for additional techniques (solar, EV charging stations, energy storage, water conservation, tree preservation, etc.). Provides land use incentives identified by the underlying zoning district. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planning staff worked closely on code updates to ensure the RZCRW edits were coordinated with the Overlake incentive program revisions. During the testing phase of the Overlake incentives, a few green building incentives were identified by the consultant and stakeholders as having low to no cost implications and the community and developer feedback was a preference to move the following items to mandatory: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Building performance standard (any green building certification program) Prescriptive energy code credits and energy management Tracking and reporting requirements Embodied carbon reduction | <p>Opened 9/3</p> |

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| | <div> <pre> graph LR A((Green Building Program Update)) --> B[Overlake Code Updates] B --> C[2025 Code Revisions] C --> D((Iterative Updates)) E[WE ARE HERE] --> C </pre> <p>Green Building Program Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Determined to be out of date •Updated to new codes/standards •Outcomes based <p>Overlake Code Updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Overlake Incentives paired to Green Building program updates •4 items made mandatory after community review <p>2025 Code Revisions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Updating citywide incentive program to match Overlake "menu of options" •Proposing expansion of mandatory items <p>Iterative Updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Data monitoring and reporting •Evaluation of options and outcomes •Updates to incentives and/or mandatory elements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As part of the 2025 code package, the following is proposed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Those items mandatory in Overlake be made mandatory for all centers (moving all mandatory items to be found in RZC 21.67). ○ Considering mandatory for Urban Mixed-Use and Corridor Mixed-Use zones as well (either now or as part of a "next step"). ○ Example Table for RZC 21.67 below. To be part of community discussion in fall of 2024. • Next steps would be to monitor which items on the incentive package get utilized most frequently and gather data on what the impacts are for the next three to five years. After analysis of the data consider if we should select new or alternative items for the mandatory requirements. This could be paired with a review of the incentive options and points for a coordinated recalibration based on the data collected. </div> | |

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EXAMPLE TABLE:

| Applicability of Requirement (M = Mandatory, O = Optional) | In Centers | | Outside Centers By Development Type | |
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| | All Development Types | Non- Residential | Mixed Use | Multifamily |
| 1. Building performance standard | | | | |
| 1a. Achieve any Green Building Rating or Certification System | M | O | O | O |
| 1b. Compliance with WA State Clean Buildings performance standard at Tier 1 or Tier 2 EUI within 24 months. | M | M | O | O |
| 1c. Share energy benchmarking data with City via Energy Star Portfolio Manager | M | M | M | M |
| 2. Energy Conservation and Management | | | | |
| 2a. Washington State Energy Code for Commercial (WSEC-C) and Residential (WSEC-R) buildings | M | M | M | O |
| 2b. Earn Green Lease Leaders Certification Silver or greater | M | O | O | O |
| 3. Embodied Carbon | | | | |
| Minimum reduction of 10% | M | M | M | M |

Impact Fee
Reductions for
Affordable
Housing and
Daycares
(Salahuddin)

Transportation
Impacts of
Daycare
Facilities
(Forsythe)

Councilmember Comment

Councilmember Salahuddin wished to discuss the impact fee reductions and exemptions for affordable housing and daycares proposed in RMC 3.10. Council Vice President Forsythe wished to understand the transportation impacts of daycare facilities when they are operating, especially at pick-up and drop-off times.

Staff Comment

Impact Fee Reductions:

The Revised Code of Washington (per RCW 82.02.060) allows local jurisdictions to implement reductions or waivers of impact fees for low-income housing, childcare facilities, and developments with a "broad public purpose" are permitted.

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Full Exemptions or Partial Exemptions of more than 80% of the impact fee <u>do</u> have an explicit requirement to pay the exempted portion of the fee from public funds other than impact fee accounts. Partial Exemptions of 80% of the impact fee or less, <u>do not</u> have an explicit requirement to pay the exempted portion of the fee from public funds other than impact fee accounts. <p>The draft regulatory amendments offer partial exemptions up to 80% of the impact fee.</p> <p>The draft regulatory amendments make progress toward Action 1.2 (Add criteria to the Redmond Municipal Code to allow for the consistent and predictable implementation of affordable housing impact fee waivers) of the adopted Redmond Housing Action Plan.</p> <p><u>Transportation Impacts of Daycare Facilities:</u></p> <p>Transportation staff reviewed the Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE) manual for daycares.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> When comparing daycares to other types of commercial spaces, such as retail or office spaces, the vehicle trip generation can differ significantly. The difference is due to the nature of the activities and operating hours. <p>General comparison based on typical estimates from the (ITE) Trip Generation Manual:</p> <p>Vehicle Trip Generation Estimates</p> <p><u>Daycare Centers (ITE Land Use Code 565):</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> AM Peak Hour: Approximately 40-50 trips per 1,000 square feet. PM Peak Hour: Approximately 30-40 trips per 1,000 square feet. Daily Trips: Approximately 300-500 trips per 1,000 square feet. <p><u>Retail (e.g., General Retail Stores, ITE Land Use Code 820):</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> AM Peak Hour: Approximately 70-100 trips per 1,000 square feet. PM Peak Hour: Approximately 100-150 trips per 1,000 square feet. Daily Trips: Approximately 500-800 trips per 1,000 square feet. <p><u>Office Buildings (ITE Land Use Code 710):</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> AM Peak Hour: Approximately 40-60 trips per 1,000 square feet. PM Peak Hour: Approximately 30-50 trips per 1,000 square feet. Daily Trips: Approximately 200-400 trips per 1,000 square feet. <p>Comparison:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> AM Peak Hour Trips: Retail spaces generally generate the highest number of trips per square foot during the AM peak hour, followed by daycares and then office spaces. | |

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Discussion Notes

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| | and S occupancies | | | | | | |
| | Group R occupancies | | | | | | |
| | Buildings that do not contain more than two dwelling units | Not required | Not required | One per dwelling unit | One per dwelling unit | Not required | Not required |
| | Dwelling units with private garages | Not required | Not required | One per dwelling unit | One per dwelling unit | Not required | Not required |
| | All other Group R occupancies | 10% of total parking spaces | 20% of total parking spaces | 25% of total parking spaces | 35% of total parking spaces | 10% of total parking spaces | 20% of total parking spaces |
| <p>Council could choose to change the EV parking incentives into a requirement. This could be citywide or only in centers. There is additional cost to building EV station/spaces/capacity, but at the same time staff is seeing developers respond to market pressures to add EV infrastructure even in the absence of additional incentives. The cost to retrofit a building with EV infrastructure after it is complete is about 3-4x the cost to incorporate EV infrastructure at the outset.</p> <p>9/10: Building code requirements for electric vehicle charging spaces have changed since this section of code was last updated. IBC section 429.1 requires that between 10% and 25% of parking stalls for new construction be electric vehicle spaces, depending on the occupancy. The zoning code provisions conflicts with this and so the RZC provision is proposed to be eliminated. The IBC provision will result in the construction of EV spaces without the need to require the same in the RZC.</p> <p>Both the IBC and RZC are subject to continued updates to meet evolving community needs. The Council could choose to re-instate a minimum EV space percentage through the RZC if it determined that the IBC provisions did not meet Redmond's needs. Separately, the City is studying locations for deploying public EV charging.</p> | | | | | | | |

Redmond 2050 - purpose is to improve usability and implement measures that would accommodate the growth allocated to Overlake and further the community's goals for maximizing transit-oriented development (including equitable TOD) near light rail, environmental sustainability and resiliency, housing affordability, and non-motorized travel.

Chapter 21.12 OVERLAKE REGULATIONS

CORRECTED VERSION OF RZC 21.12.505 ONLY

Sections:

- 21.12.010 ~~Overlake Village Purpose.~~ [\[REPEALED\]](#)
- 21.12.020 ~~OV Master Planning.~~ [\[REPEALED\]](#)
- 21.12.030 ~~OV Subarea Map.~~ [\[REPEALED\]](#)
- 21.12.035 ~~Regulations Common to All Uses.~~ [\[REPEALED\]](#).
- 21.12.040 ~~OV Zone 1.~~ [\[REPEALED\]](#)
- 21.12.050 ~~OV Zone 2.~~ [\[REPEALED\]](#)
- 21.12.060 ~~OV Zone 3.~~ [\[REPEALED\]](#)
- 21.12.070 ~~OV Zone 4.~~ [\[REPEALED\]](#)
- 21.12.080 ~~OV Zone 5.~~ [\[REPEALED\]](#)
- 21.12.090 ~~OV Floor Area.~~ [\[REPEALED\]](#)
- 21.12.100 ~~OV Building Height.~~ [\[REPEALED\]](#)
- 21.12.110 ~~OV Parking Standards.~~ [\[REPEALED\]](#)
- 21.12.120 ~~OV Residential Usable Open Space.~~ [\[REPEALED\]](#)
- 21.12.130 ~~OV Landscaping.~~ [\[REPEALED\]](#)
- 21.12.140 ~~OV Transitional Use Requirements.~~ [\[REPEALED\]](#)
- 21.12.150 ~~OV Street Cross Sections.~~ [\[REPEALED\]](#)
- 21.12.160 ~~OV Urban Pathway.~~ [\[REPEALED\]](#)
- 21.12.170 ~~OV Incentive Program.~~ [\[REPEALED\]](#)
- 21.12.180 ~~OBAT Purpose.~~ [\[REPEALED\]](#)
- 21.12.190 ~~OBAT Maximum Development Yield.~~ [\[REPEALED\]](#)
- 21.12.200 ~~OBAT Regulations Common to All Uses.~~ [\[REPEALED\]](#)
- 21.12.210 ~~OBAT Allowed Uses and Basic Development Standards.~~ [\[REPEALED\]](#)
- 21.12.220 ~~OBAT Capacity Phasing.~~ [\[REPEALED\]](#)
- 21.12.230 ~~References.~~ [\[REPEALED\]](#)

- 21.12.300 Overlake Zoning Districts
- 21.12.305 References.
- 21.12.310 Overlake Master Planning
- 21.12.400 Overlake Land Use Regulations
- 21.12.500 Overlake Development Standards.
- 21.12.505 Transition to New Standards

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| 21.12.510 | Street Typology and Relationship to Buildings |
| 21.12.520 | Green Building Requirements |
| 21.12.600 | Overlay Incentive Program |

21.12.505 Transition to New Standards

A. Projects Under Review.

1. Applicability. This section shall apply exclusively to the following permit application types within the Overlay Village Subarea:

a. Type II and III permit applications.

b. Type V permit applications projects encompassing at least three acres that are subject to the MPD and development agreement requirements in RZC 21.76.070.P, provided that the Type V permit application includes a Site Plan Entitlement application to construct the project in one phase.

Commented [BF1]: Revised 505.A per PC discussion on 7/31

12. At the discretion of the applicant, Type II, Type III, Type IV, and Type V the above permit applications that are under review as of [[the effective date of this ordinance]] may continue to be reviewed under the RZC as it existed as of December 31, 2024. For the purpose of this section, “under review” means:

- a. Having received a determination of completeness; and
- b. Having received feedback from the Design Review Board during a Design Review Board meeting, when required, or having received a determination from staff that a Design Review Board meeting is ready to be scheduled.

23. To continue to advance projects reviewed under the RZC as it existed on December 31, 2024, applicants must notify the Code Administrator of this preference in writing by January 31, 2025. In addition, applicants must:

a. ~~M~~ Meet all application review and decision time frames required of the applicant pursuant to RZC 21.76.040.D; and

b. ~~For Type II, III, and IV permit applications only, submit~~ Submit complete building permit applications for all proposed new buildings by December 31, 2026.

Commented [BF2]: Omnibus - not needed with edit made above

An application shall be considered void and deemed withdrawn if the milestones in (a) or (b) above are not met and the project will be required to comply with Redmond Zoning Code regulations in effect at the time of the approval.

34. This section applies only to Redmond Zoning Code regulations (Redmond Municipal Code Title 21) and not to any regulation outside of the Redmond Zoning Code.

45. Expiration of Project Review Flexibility. This section automatically expires on December 31, 2026.

B. Development agreements may not be used to vest projects to regulations in place before January 1, 2025, or to extend the vesting provided in this section.

Commented [BF3]: Omnibus - added to clarify after questions received from developers

B.C. Incremental Redevelopment Provisions.

1. Applicability. Buildings, uses, and sites must comply with the provisions of 21.76.100.F Legal Nonconforming Uses and Structures except as provided herein to allow for property owners to gradually transition to new standards.
2. Bringing Nonconforming Structures into Compliance. For building additions and remodels and associated site improvements, thresholds have been established to guide how the standards of this chapter are applied to such projects (see RZC 21.76.100.F.9.b).
3. Building additions.
 - a. Front addition. Any addition to the front of the building must comply with requirements in RZC 21.12.510 Street Typology and Relationship to Buildings.
 - b. Rear addition. Rear additions are permitted provided they do not increase the degree of rear setback/build-to nonconformity.
 - c. Side additions. Side additions are not permitted unless the proposed work results in the building meeting the requirements in RZC 21.12.510 Street Typology and Relationship to Buildings. If no build-to requirements apply, side additions are permitted.
4. New buildings where existing building remains in place.
 - a. New buildings and associated improvements must comply with RZC standards.
 - b. New buildings do not conflict with any applicable requirements of RZC 21.12.310 Master Planned Developments protections of future density.
5. Administrative Design Flexibility for additions, remodels, or new buildings added to the parcel.
 - a. Design flexibility for site layout, setbacks, and/or screening standards may be approved by the Code Administrator when the Director determines that:
 - (i) The alternative would assist legal non-conforming structures to gradually come into compliance with new regulations or the proposed alternative removes a barrier to reinvestment; and
 - (ii) The alternative meets the intent of the standards; and
 - (iii) The alternative is designed in a manner that ensures that new investments do not impede future implementation of the standards of this chapter.
 - b. Publicly Accessible Open Space Design Alternative.
 - (i) In the TOD Focus Area the Code Administrator may consider the use of pedestrian-oriented Publicly Accessible Open Space in lieu of meeting setback or build-to requirements in the following circumstances.
 - (1) The Code Administrator may approve the use of Publicly Accessible Open Space in lieu of some or all of the building addition meeting the requirements in RZC 21.12.510 Street Typology and Relationship to Buildings or 21.12.500, subject to the Design Standards of this section.
 - (2) For a new building proposed in the rear of a legal non-conforming structure, the Code Administrator may approve the use of this open space design alternative in lieu of

bringing the existing building up to the build-to line when there are no modifications proposed to existing building.

- (3) The placement of the proposed building or addition shall not conflict with any applicable requirements of RZC 21.12.310 Master Planned Developments.
- (ii) Design standards. To be approved by the Code Administrator as a publicly accessible open space design alternative, the open space must:
 - (1) Provide a continuous pedestrian connection from the sidewalk to the front of the building. There shall be no parking or other interruptions between the open space and the building.
 - (2) Average a minimum of ten (10) linear feet in width from interior edge of the sidewalk and provide an ADA compliant access along the entire path of travel from the sidewalk to the front entrance(s) of the building.
 - (3) Comply with the requirements of RZC 21.62.030.I Pedestrian Plazas and Open Spaces and the standards in footnote 1 of RZC Table 21.12.600.D.5.a Overlake Incentives – Open Space, Public Art, and Public Amenities Incentives.
- (iii) Publicly accessible open space design alternative may be used to meet minimum open space requirements for the parcel but is not eligible for open space incentives in RZC 21.12.600.

6. Buildings added to the site or other alterations or additions that comply with this section and do not impact the space used by the legal non-conforming use will not impact the use's legal non-conforming status.

7. Expiration. This section automatically expires on December 31, 2029.



Memorandum

Date: 9/24/2024
Meeting of: City Council Study Session

File No. SS 24-050
Type: Study Session

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

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DEPARTMENT STAFF:

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| Finance | Haritha Narra | Deputy Finance Director |
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TITLE:

2025-2030 Revenue Forecast: General Fund, Utility Funds, and Capital Investment Program (CIP)

OVERVIEW STATEMENT:

Provide an economic update on the U.S. Real GDP forecast, Seattle/Tacoma/Bellevue CPI-W forecast, and King County forecasts for taxable retail sales growth, assessed valuation growth, and employment growth, and review the revenue forecasts upon which the 2025-2026 preliminary budget is based, focusing on the General Fund, utility funds, and CIP.

☐ **Additional Background Information/Description of Proposal Attached**

REQUESTED ACTION:

☒ **Receive Information** ☐ **Provide Direction** ☐ **Approve**

REQUEST RATIONALE:

- **Relevant Plans/Policies:**
Fiscal Policies, Long-Range Financial Strategy
- **Required:**
N/A
- **Council Request:**
N/A
- **Other Key Facts:**
The revenue forecast is primarily based on actual revenues through the first six months of 2024, current and projected development activity, and the June and August 2024 forecasts by the King County Office of Economic and Financial Analysis.

OUTCOMES:

Discussion with Council will create clarity and a foundation for upcoming review of the 2025-2026 preliminary budget.

COMMUNITY/STAKEHOLDER OUTREACH AND INVOLVEMENT:

- **Timeline (previous or planned):**
N/A
- **Outreach Methods and Results:**
N/A
- **Feedback Summary:**
N/A

BUDGET IMPACT:

Total Cost:
N/A

Approved in current biennial budget: ☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ N/A

Budget Offer Number:
N/A

Budget Priority:
Strategic and Responsive

Other budget impacts or additional costs: ☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ N/A
If yes, explain:
N/A

Funding source(s):
N/A

Budget/Funding Constraints:
N/A

☐ Additional budget details attached

COUNCIL REVIEW:

Previous Contact(s)

| Date | Meeting | Requested Action |
|-----------|--|-------------------|
| 2/13/2024 | Committee of the Whole - Finance, Administration, and Communications | Provide Direction |
| 2/27/2024 | Study Session | Provide Direction |
| 3/19/2024 | Committee of the Whole - Public Safety and Human Services | Provide Direction |

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| 4/9/2024 | Committee of the Whole - Finance, Administration, and Communications | Provide Direction |
| 4/23/2024 | Study Session | Provide Direction |
| 5/28/2024 | Committee of the Whole - Parks and Environmental Sustainability | Provide Direction |
| 6/11/2024 | Committee of the Whole - Finance, Administration, and Communications | Provide Direction |
| 6/25/2024 | Study Session | Receive Information |
| 7/9/2024 | Committee of the Whole - Finance, Administration, and Communications | Receive Information |
| 7/9/2024 | Study Session | Provide Direction |
| 7/16/2024 | Business Meeting | Receive Information |
| 8/13/2024 | Committee of the Whole - Finance, Administration, and Communications | Receive Information |
| 9/10/2024 | Committee of the Whole - Finance, Administration, and Communications | Receive Information |

Proposed Upcoming Contact(s)

| Date | Meeting | Requested Action |
|-----------|--|---------------------|
| 10/8/2024 | Committee of the Whole - Finance, Administration, and Communications | Receive Information |

Time Constraints:

N/A

ANTICIPATED RESULT IF NOT APPROVED:

N/A

ATTACHMENTS:

N/A



Memorandum

Date: 9/24/2024
Meeting of: City Council

File No. SS 24-056
Type: Study Session

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

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| Police | Darrell Lowe, Police Chief | 425-556-2529 |
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DEPARTMENT STAFF:

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| N/A | N/A | N/A |
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TITLE:

Public Safety Funding Council Sub-Committee Briefing

OVERVIEW STATEMENT:

During the Council Retreat, Council formed sub-committees to look at public safety funding, alternative crisis response, and flexible transit. The sub-committees were made up of three Councilmembers each, including:

Alternative Crisis Response

Council Vice-President Forsythe
Councilmember Nuevacamina
Councilmember Salahuddin

Flexible Transit, Bicycle and Pedestrian Planning

Council President Kritzer
Council Vice-President Forsythe
Councilmember Stuart

Public Safety Funding

Council President Kritzer
Councilmember Salahuddin
Councilmember Stuart

The materials attached contain proposals from the public safety funding and alternative crisis care sub-committees to raise revenues to support program enhancements (see Attachments) as well as data the Public Safety Funding Sub-Committee members utilized to make their recommendations.

☒ **Additional Background Information/Description of Proposal Attached**

REQUESTED ACTION:

- ☒ **Receive Information** ☐ **Provide Direction** ☐ **Approve**

REQUEST RATIONALE:

- **Relevant Plans/Policies:**
Community Strategic Plan, Police Strategic Plan, Fire Strategic Plan
- **Required:**
N/A
- **Council Request:**
Per the Council Retreat discussions, sub-committee were formed to discuss the City's public safety funding gap and other public safety opportunities.
- **Other Key Facts:**
N/A

OUTCOMES:

As a part of the 2025-2026 Budget preparation, staff was able to close the public safety gap. Since that time the Public Safety Funding Sub-Committees has discussed public safety enhancements and funding mechanisms. The Alternative Crisis Response Sub-Committee is proposing the addition of 1.0 FTE Mental Health Professional and 2.0 FTE Social Worker/Peer Support employees to enhance the City's THRIVE program. The Public Safety Funding Sub-Committee is proposing to add an engine company to Fire Station 17 including 4.0 FTE firefighters. The funding for these two enhanced programs would come from establishing a 1% utility tax on the City's utilities and a \$3.83 increase in the City's business license fees over the biennium.

The Study Session materials contain a presentation (Attachment A) outlining the discussions and recommendations of the sub-committee. Attachment B contains a revenue matrix detailing the revenue options available to fund public safety programs. In Attachment C, a description of enhancements to alternative crisis response is explained. Fire staff have presented their highest operational priority and the justification for adding an engine company to Fire Station 17 in Attachment D.

Sub-committee members and staff will be at the Study Session to answer any questions Council may have.

COMMUNITY/STAKEHOLDER OUTREACH AND INVOLVEMENT:

- **Timeline (previous or planned):**
N/A
- **Outreach Methods and Results:**
N/A
- **Feedback Summary:**
N/A

BUDGET IMPACT:

Total Cost:

The total cost of new enhancements being proposed, include:

- 1.0 FTE Mental Health Professional and 2.0 FTE Social Worker/Peer Support equals approximately \$720,000 over the biennium. Recommended ongoing funding would come from a \$2.33/FTE increase in the business tax with the social worker positions funded temporarily through one-time funds.
- The engine company for Fire Station 17 would cost approximately \$630,000 for ongoing staff costs for 4.0 FTE firefighters over the biennium. One-time training and protective equipment equal approximately \$50,000 for the biennium. The proposed ongoing funding for this enhancement would be collected from a \$1.50 increase in business tax and a 1% tax on the City's utilities.

Approved in current biennial budget: ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ N/A

Budget Offer Number:

N/A

Budget Priority:

Safe and Resilient

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

If yes, explain:

N/A

Funding source(s):

Increased revenue as described above would fund the described program enhancements.

Budget/Funding Constraints:

N/A

☐ Additional budget details attached

COUNCIL REVIEW:

Previous Contact(s)

| Date | Meeting | Requested Action |
|------|--|------------------|
| N/A | Item has not been presented to Council | N/A |

Proposed Upcoming Contact(s)

| Date | Meeting | Requested Action |
|-----------|---------------|---------------------|
| 9/24/2024 | Study Session | Receive Information |

Time Constraints:

If Council chose to institute the increase in taxes and fees, the program enhancements would be adopted as part of the 2025-2026 budget.

ANTICIPATED RESULT IF NOT APPROVED:

In not approved, the new programs would not be funded, and the increased taxes and fees would not be implemented.

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment A: Presentation

Attachment B: Revenue Options Matrix

Attachment C: Alternative Crisis Care Program

Attachment D: Fire Station 17 Program Enhancement

Public Safety Funding Sub-Committee Discussion

September 24, 2024





Agenda

- Filling the Public Safety Funding Gap
- Police Department Budget Enhancements
- Fire Department Engine Company
- Potential Funding Options and Impacts



Public Safety Funding Discussion

- Filling the Public Safety Funding Gap
- Revenue Options
- Police Department Strategic Plan
- Fire Department Strategic Plan
- FS 17 Recommended Option
- Alternative Crisis Care
- Impacts of Recommended Options
- Other Potential Funding Options

Alternative Crisis Response Discussion



- Funding additional mental health professional and support through social workers/peer counselors
- Governance
- Dispatch & Self-Select
- Safety Protocols
- Training & Equitable Data Collection
- Branding/Uniforms
- Community Engagement

Filling the Public Safety Funding Gap



Public Safety Funding Gap

| | 2025-2026 Biennium |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Total Gap | \$ 6,000,000 |
| Revenue Alignment | |
| Fire Transport Fees | \$ 1,700,000 |
| RCCMV Lease to CIP | \$ 1,108,000 |
| City Hall Capital Expenses | \$ 2,600,000 |
| Growth in Sales Tax | \$ 592,000 |
| Total Changes to Close the Gap | <hr/> \$ 6,000,000 |



Revenue Options For Enhancement Considerations

- City of Redmond Utility Tax
- Business License increases
- Voter Approved Public Safety Sales Tax
- Voter Approved Property Tax Levy Lid Lift



Police Budget Enhancements

4.0 FTE new Police Officers

- 2.0 FTE Sound Transit funded for light rail security
- 2.0 FTE funded through growth in General Fund revenues

Body Worn Camera program

- 2025 funded one-time
- 2026 ongoing

Alternative Crisis Response

- 1.0 Mental Health Professional funded through a \$2.33 increase in business license increase
- 2.0 Social Worker/Peer Support funded one-time through biennium



Fire Staffing Enhancements

Objective

Increase fire engine response capabilities within the city by 50%

Proposal Overview:

- Recommendation:
 - Cross-staffing Fire Station 17
 - Increase staffing by 4.0 FTE firefighters
- Cost:
 - Annual Ongoing Staffing Costs: \$639,000
 - One-Time Costs: Training/PPE \$50,000

** This is the Phase One implementation of the Fire Department staffing enhancements through 2027*

Total Ongoing Funding Proposal



- 1.0 FTE Mental Health Professional
 - Increase business license fee by \$2.33 over the biennium
- 4.0 FTE Firefighters to staff engine company at Fire Station 17
 - Impose 1% utility tax over the biennium
 - Increase business license fee by \$1.50 over the biennium

Recommended Funding Option



Utility Tax

- 1% increase on City-owned utilities spread over the biennium

| Utility Tax | 2025 |
|-------------|------------|
| Stormwater | \$ 141,542 |
| Water | \$ 166,849 |
| Wastewater | \$ 256,363 |
| Total | \$ 564,754 |

Business License

- Increase of \$2.33 for MHP
- Increase of \$1.50 for firefighters

Funding Impacts (with budget proposal)

Utility Tax

- Combined with operational rate increases total rate increases for water and wastewater = 7.5% over biennium
- Stormwater = 1% over biennium
- Cost on average customer = \$1.20 per month (half in 2025 and half in 2026)

Business License

- Budget increases proposed for the CPI = \$17.37/FTE
- Proposed for new programs = \$3.83/FTE
- Total business license increase = \$21.20/FTE over the biennium

Customer Rate Impact

0.50% increase in 2025 and 2026

| Average User ((1,200cf/Bi-Monthly) | 2024 Current Rates | 2025 Proposed Rates | 2026 Proposed Rates |
|--|-----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Water (Includes flat rate and consumption) | \$33.08 | \$33.25 | \$33.41 |
| Wastewater (flat rate) | \$15.01 | \$15.09 | \$15.16 |
| Stormwater (flat rate) | \$16.89 | \$16.97 | \$17.06 |
| Total CITY Portion of Monthly Bill | \$64.98 | \$65.30 | \$65.63 |
| Total CITY Bi-Monthly Bill | \$129.96 | \$130.61 | \$131.26 |
| King County Wastewater Treatment | \$55.11 | \$55.39 | \$55.66 |
| Total | \$120.09 | \$120.69 | \$121.29 |
| <i>Total Bi-Monthly Bill</i> | <i>\$240.18</i> | <i>\$241.38</i> | <i>\$242.59</i> |

A 0.50% rate increase in 2025-2026 results in a \$1.21 increase in rates by 2026 on the average rate payer

Utility Rate Comparison

| Water and Wastewater Rates | | | |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|
| | | | |
| Monthly Residential Bills | Water | Wastewater | Total |
| Skyway Water & Sewer District | 69.17 | 112.04 | 181.21 |
| Seattle | 63.11 | 109.69 | 172.80 |
| Woodinville Water District | 71.76 | 88.16 | 159.92 |
| Redmond Novelty Hill (Current) | 60.83 | 97.85 | 158.68 |
| Mercer Island | 48.69 | 108.05 | 156.75 |
| Bellevue | 58.84 | 92.13 | 150.97 |
| Kirkland | 40.52 | 108.84 | 149.36 |
| Alderwood Water District | 33.74 | 115.47 | 149.21 |
| Sammamish Plateau | 51.52 | 96.17 | 147.69 |
| Issaquah | 70.93 | 66.35 | 137.28 |
| Kent | 48.00 | 86.11 | 134.11 |
| Tukwila | 45.53 | 86.11 | 131.64 |
| Northshore Utility District | 42.18 | 88.11 | 130.29 |
| Bothell | 39.78 | 88.75 | 128.53 |
| Auburn | 42.95 | 83.05 | 126.00 |
| Coal Creek Utility District | 44.76 | 77.35 | 122.11 |
| Renton | 35.75 | 84.80 | 120.55 |
| Soos Creek Water & Sewer District | 34.00 | 78.03 | 112.03 |
| Redmond (Current) | 33.08 | 70.12 | 103.20 |

In City Water and Wastewater utility rates are the lowest in comparison to other jurisdictions

Stormwater Rate Comparison

| Monthly Residential Bills | Stormwater |
|---------------------------|------------|
| Seattle | \$31.62 |
| Tukwila | \$22.58 |
| Mercer Island | \$20.86 |
| Kirkland | \$20.74 |
| Issaquah | \$19.92 |
| Bellevue | \$18.41 |
| Renton | \$17.04 |
| Auburn | \$16.95 |
| Redmond | \$16.89 |
| Bothell | \$16.70 |
| Kent | \$15.42 |

Stormwater utility rates are low in comparison to other jurisdictions

Business License Total Increase



| | Rate Change | Amount |
|------------------------------------|-------------|----------|
| Current Business License (Per FTE) | | \$141.00 |
| | | |
| 2025 | | |
| Annual CPI (4%) | 5.64 | |
| CPI Tune-Up (3.7%) | 5.43 | |
| Mental Health Professional | 1.16 | |
| 4.0 Firefighters | 0.75 | |
| Total Per FTE | | \$153.98 |
| | | |
| 2026 | | |
| Annual CPI (4%) | 6.23 | |
| Mental Health Professional | 1.17 | |
| 4,0 FTE Firefighters | 0.75 | |
| Total Per FTE | | \$162.13 |

Rate increase includes CPI increases as well as new programs spread over the biennium

Business License Comparison

| City | Average B&O Tax Rate |
|------------------|----------------------|
| Auburn | 0.10% |
| Shoreline | 0.10% |
| Kent | 0.10% |
| Burien | 0.10% |
| Mercer Island | 0.10% |
| Everett | 0.10% |
| Issaquah | 0.12% |
| Renton | 0.12% |
| Redmond | 0.13%* |
| Snoqualmie | 0.15% |
| Bellevue | 0.16% |
| Des Moines | 0.20% |
| Lake Forest Park | 0.20% |
| North Bend | 0.20% |
| Seattle | 0.22% |

- Business License Fee converted to B/O Tax for comparison purposes only



Other Options Considered

- Larger Utility Tax increase
- Business License increase beyond \$3.83/FTE
- Voter Approved sales tax or property levy lid lift (to fund Fire engine company)
 - Funding needed too small for ballot measure
 - Not feasible due to cost of election
 - Usually used for much larger programs

Council Discussion Questions?



Attachment B

Public Safety Revenue Options

| Revenue | Authorization | Notes |
|----------------------------|---|--|
| A. Tax City Utilities | Redmond Municipal Code: 5.44 RCW 82.04 Occupation Tax | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Currently the City does not tax its own utilities (Water, Wastewater and Storm) • Administratively the Council can put a occupation tax on the city owned utilities. • The amount is unlimited. • The funds are discretionary and can be used on any program/projects • Private utilities are taxed at a rate of 6% • 1% tax on City water = \$166,849 annually • 1% tax on City wastewater = \$256,363 annually • 1% tax on City stormwater = \$141,542 annually |
| B. Public Safety Sales Tax | Redmond Municipal Code: 3.32 RCW 82.14 Public Safety Sales Tax | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maximum rate 0.1% • Must go to voters at either a primary or general election • Must be used solely for criminal justice purposes (as defined in RCW 82.14.340), fire protection purposes, or both. • Motor vehicle sales and 36 months of motor vehicle leases are exempt as well as other regular sales tax exemptions • Requires majority vote • 15% must be shared with the County • 0.1% additional sales tax = \$3-4 million |

Attachment B

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| C. Property Tax Levy Lid Lift | RCW 85.55.040 Property Tax Levy Lid Lift | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Can be single year or multi-year; temporary or permanent• Lift must be spent on the programs proposed in the ballot language• Can include an inflation factor• Can be introduced at any election – special, primary or general• Requires a simple majority vote• 1% increase = \$250,000 approximately |
| D. Business Tax Increase | RMC 5.04.080 RCW 19.02.075 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Currently \$141 per FTE• Split between GF (\$60) and Transportation Demand Management (\$81)• General Fund portion is discretionary• Transportation Demand Management (TDM) portion must be used for transportation or TDM programs/projects.• \$1.00 increase = \$60,000 - \$80,000 |



From the Desk of Chief Darrell Lowe
Redmond Police Department
8701 160th Ave NE
Redmond, WA 98052

July 19, 2024

ALTERNATIVE RESPONSE PROPOSAL

The City of Redmond and the Redmond Police Department continue exploring the benefit of establishing a dedicated non-law enforcement response team responsible for responding to and addressing calls for service that do not need to be handled by police officers. Presently, officers are dispatched to calls involving subjects suffering from behavioral health issues and alcohol/drug abuse that do not involve criminal conduct. Every day multiple calls involving people suffering from an emotional crisis, welfare checks, unwanted persons, and non-urgent suicide threats, to name a few. A dedicated response team composed of non-law enforcement staff has the capability of being the first responders to many of these calls. A facet of the police reimagining conversation asks the question of whether police officers are the best resource for these contacts based on their limited training and experience in the arena of behavioral health.

The police department instituted a co-responder model in 2018, a program that has an MHP embedded in the patrol division. This position is currently unfilled, and an active recruitment is underway. This proposal will have no impact on the co-responder model currently deployed. The non-law enforcement response team would provide an additional resource in a tiered response to address the varying social needs of the community. This will be an additional rung of the tiered Community Health response which include the City's homeless outreach specialist, and mobile integrated health (MIH) and the recently staffed Community Care Coordinators (CCC)

The non-law enforcement response team will ideally be composed of a (dual) certified MHP, EMT/RN, crisis/social worker, and peer counselor. The team will be trained in conflict resolution, capable of responding to specific calls in lieu of a uniformed police officer. They will be better trained to recognize various behavioral health situations and provide necessary resources. The team could provide referrals to the homeless outreach specialist or MIH, CCC based on the circumstance. This resource would connect people with the most appropriate, non-uniformed specialists while keeping officers available for handling other police matters.

Logistically, the non-law enforcement response team will be based within the police department and dispatched to calls by the Redmond Communications Center. Communications call-takers will triage the calls coming in on the 9-1-1 and non-emergency lines, using the Denver STAR call triage model determining if the calls are appropriate for this team's response. During the hours the team is operational, they will respond to the scene of these appropriately screened calls. They will have a police radio and MDC, allowing them immediate access to additional resources, including a police or fire department response.

Based on the call type, the non-law enforcement response team may respond directly to calls involving people in crisis, intoxicated persons, re-occurring suicide threats, 9-1-1 call abusers, welfare checks, trespass/unwanted persons, etc. They will not respond to calls involving criminal activity, weapons, fights or disturbances, threats, injuries, etc.

There may also be an option of this team being able to triage calls from their mobile unit, allowing for greater and more consistent visibility and service to the community. This option is based on the concept of a crisis specialist being embedded in our dispatch center a proof-of-concept that is being evaluated at Valley Comm-911 currently. Initial evaluation suggests an embedded MHP in our dispatch center while a tremendous resource given our call volume their utilization will be less optimal.

The estimated cost to fund the creation of this program as proposed will be approximately \$720,000 for a budget cycle. With salaries for a completely staffed team estimated at approximately \$285,000 annually.

Grant funds for programs like this may be available through the Washington State Health Department, and Federal funded programs.

Formation of this program as outlined above, will provide the intersection and cross functionality of the Community Care Coordinators, Mobile Integrated Health and co-response program; and will represent the vision of a comprehensive Community Health program.

If approved, creation of job descriptions and identification of funding sources will begin. Followed by introducing the call triage protocols during our annual In-service dispatcher training. Once funds are identified and secured active recruitment for the positions and acquisition of needed equipment will begin.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Darrell Lowe".

Darrell Lowe, Chief of Police
Redmond Police Department

Attachment D

Comprehensive Justification for Redmond Fire Department 2025/26 Staffing Enhancements

Introduction

This document presents a detailed justification for the phased addition of 18 new full-time equivalent (FTE) firefighter positions, one Emergency Vehicle Technician (EVT) mechanic, and the maintenance of current staffing levels within the fire prevention division during the 2025/26 biennium. These enhancements are critical to address the rapid growth and technical complexities within the City of Redmond Fire Department's response area.

Current and Expanding Risks

1. Rapid Unparalleled Growth

- Single Story to Multi Story Impacts: The shift from single-story to multi-story buildings necessitates enhanced fire suppression capabilities.
- Population, Call Volume, and Restricted Access: Population growth leads to increased emergency calls and restricted or delayed access in densely populated areas.
- Unit Utilization Times: Increasing EMS responses and longer service calls, exacerbated by hospital wait times and demands from an aging population, strain resources.

2. Tech Industry Technical Aspects of Growth

- Rockets Research: The presence of rocket research facilities requires specialized emergency response capabilities and training.
- Energy Storage: Increasing use of energy storage systems presents new fire hazards.
- Mobile Energy: The proliferation of mobile energy necessitates specialized HAZMAT capabilities.
- HAZMAT: Growing hazardous materials storage demands enhanced response and mitigation strategies.
- Mid Rise and Urban Interface: Expanding mid-rise constructions and urban interfaces pose unique fire prevention and response challenges.

3. Turnover and Recruitment

- Young Workforce: High turnover rates and a young workforce require consistent recruitment, training, and skill refinement efforts.
- Company Officers Experience and Exposure: Continued supervisory education to ensure experienced officers for effective leadership and response.
- Hiring Practices and Probationary Training: Continued emphasis on hiring and training practices to ensure high performance and retention.

Justification and Operational Needs

The proposed staffing enhancements are to be phased over the next 36 months, including adding necessary staff to enhance fire response capabilities at Fire Station 17, relocating Ladder 16 to Fire Station 11, and introducing a new engine company cross-staffed with an aid car at Fire Station 16. Additionally, one EVT will be added to fleet maintenance to ensure efficiency and safety, and current fire prevention staffing levels will be maintained to manage the complexities of new developments.

1. Enhancement of Fire Station 17's Response Capabilities
 - Transitioning Fire Station 17 from an Aid Car-only model to a cross-staffed model with Engine 117 requires four additional FTEs.
 - This enhancement will provide an additional 500 gallons of water for responses citywide and support tactical objectives related to life safety and property preservation.
2. Addition of a Tractor Drawn Aerial (TDA) as Ladder 16 and Required Relocate to Station 11
 - The addition of a TDA and its required relocation to Fire Station 11 will optimize response times and capabilities in tight urban centers. (required relocation due to length and strategic placement for response).
 - This move will necessitate the addition of an Engine Company at Fire Station 16 to maintain operational readiness.
3. Introduction of a New Engine Company at Station 16
 - Establishing a new engine company at Fire Station 16, cross-staffed with an aid car, requires 14 FTEs.
 - This will provide an additional 500 gallons of water for fire protection and maintain response capabilities in Fire Station 16's area.
4. Maintain Current Staffing Levels within the Prevention Division
 - Maintaining fire prevention staffing is essential to manage the complexities introduced by new technologies and urban developments.
 - Continuous education, meticulous pre-planning, and regular inspections are required to ensure community safety and effective fire response.

Business Case

The addition of 19 FTEs is justified by the significant increase in demand placed on the Fire Department by recent developments throughout the city. Relocating Ladder 16 and introducing a TDA will enhance response capabilities in confined urban spaces, reducing response times and improving service delivery. Establishing a new engine company at Fire Station 16 and enhancing Fire Station 17's response capabilities will address the increasing call volume and fire/EMS workload created by rapid growth. Adding one EVT mechanic will increase fleet maintenance efficiency and safety.

Estimated Fiscal Implications

The estimated annual costs for staffing enhancements are:

- Company Officers (3 positions): \$225,000 annually per officer, totaling \$675,000.
- Driver Engineers (3 positions): \$200,000 annually per position, totaling \$600,000.

- Firefighters (12 positions): \$185,000 annually per firefighter, totaling \$2,220,000.

These investments are crucial for maintaining exceptional service and meeting the growing needs of the community.

Alternative Solutions

An alternative to hiring new FTEs would be to backfill the need with overtime using existing staff. However, this approach would strain current staffing, negatively affecting response effectiveness and leading to fatigue, burnout, and decreased morale among firefighters.

Conclusion

The addition of 18 new firefighter FTEs is a strategic investment in the safety and well-being of the City of Redmond. By enhancing Fire Station 17's capabilities, relocating Ladder 16 as a TDA to Fire Station 11, and establishing a new engine company at Fire Station 16, the Fire Department will significantly improve its response capabilities. This ensures preparedness for the growing demands within the service area.

Thank you for considering this request. These changes will positively impact community safety and departmental efficiency.

Priority Matrix (Phased in Timeline)

| Sequence | Time Request | Number of New FTEs | Annual Ongoing Cost Estimate 2025 | Estimated Startup Cost |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|---|---|
| 3 rd Mechanic Add | Fourth Quarter 2024 | 1 | \$180,000 | N/A |
| Staff 3 24/7 St 17 | First Quarter 2025 | 4 | \$750,000 | *\$280,000 Academy Costs and Upfitting Equipment. Winter 2024 Start – Graduation May 2025 |
| Station 16 Staffing Prep Phase One | First Quarter 2026 | 3 | \$562,500 | *\$210,000 Academy Costs and Upfitting Equipment. December 2025 Start – Graduation May 2026 |
| Station 16 Staffing Prep Phase Two | Fourth Quarter 2026 | 5 | \$937,500 | *\$350,000 Academy Costs and Upfitting Equipment. September 2026 Start – Graduation December 2026 |
| Station 16 Staffing Prep Phase Three | First Quarter 2027 | 6 | \$1,125,000 | *\$420,000 Academy Costs and Upfitting Equipment. December 2026 Start – Graduation June 2027 |
| Move Ladder 16 to Station 11 | Second Quarter 2027 | N/A | N/A | Facility Prep TBD |
| Engine 16 at Station 16 | Second Quarter 2027 | 0 | Promotions Capt (1), Lieutenant (2), Driver (3) | N/A |

*Academy numbers do not include recruits filling spots for needing to be filled from attrition.



City of Redmond

15670 NE 85th Street
Redmond, WA

Memorandum

Date: 9/24/2024

Meeting of: City Council Study Session

File No. SS 24-058

Type: Study Session

Council Talk Time



Council Policy Proposal

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Tracking Number 0004 Date of Request 9/18/2024 Requester Jessica Forsythe

Problem Statement Proposal

As a result of multiple vehicles being used to commit crimes by driving into structures and a lack of clarity on how a business owner or party of interest may submit a permit request to temporarily place protective measures in the public right of way, the attached resolution is proposed

Relationship to City Business or Proposed City Business/Services

As laid out by the draft resolution, this proposal is in line with Redmond's Community Strategic Plan, Public Safety goals, Transportation Facilities Plan, and Vision Zero efforts.

Connection to Strategic Plan. Budget Priorities or other Citywide Plans

Choose all that apply or enter plan name

- ☐ Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
- ☐ Environmental Sustainability
- ☐ Housing Choices
- ☒ Infrastructure
- ☒ Public Safety
- ☒ Healthy and Sustainable
- ☒ Safe and Resilient
- ☐ Vibrant and Connected
- ☒ Strategic and Responsive
- ☐ Capital Investment Program

Timing

Consideration and implementation are imperative as we have seen a rise in repeated crime activity using stolen motor vehicles across our region and in particular in our downtown core where the

placement of temporary measures in the public right of way may be beneficial in the prevention of further crimes.

Supporting Documentation

<https://www.redmond.gov/1620/Community-Strategic-Plan>

<https://www.redmond.gov/704/Transportation-Facilities-Plan#:~:text=The%2018%2Dyear%20Transportation%20Facilities,range%20infrastructure%20plan%20for%20transportation.>

<https://www.redmond.gov/1625/Public-Safety>

<https://www.redmond.gov/DocumentCenter/View/24493/RES1559-PDF?bidId=>

See attached PDF for draft resolution.

Councilmember Sponsors (not required)

Cannot be a quorum unless discussed at an open public meeting.

When you submit/email this form to Staff also CC listed co-sponsors for affirmation of their support.

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| <p>_____ Jessica Forsythe _____ Sponsoring Councilmember</p> | <p>1. Steve Fields _____ Councilmember</p> <p>2. _____ Councilmember</p> |
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Post Action (to be completed by Council Leadership)

| | |
|--|---|
| Referral To <input type="checkbox"/> Study Session | <input type="checkbox"/> Committee of the Whole |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Staff Review | <input type="checkbox"/> Add to Priorities List / Ranking _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> No Action | <input type="checkbox"/> Legal Review |

**CITY OF REDMOND
RESOLUTION NO. XXXX**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
REDMOND, WASHINGTON, CLARIFYING COUNCIL INTENT
REGARDING THE TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES PLAN,
STREET USE, AND RIGHT OF WAY DESIGN; AND
REQUESTING PUBLIC WORKS TO PLAN FOR AND IMPLEMENT
THIS INTENT

WHEREAS, the City of Redmond has adopted as its #1 public safety objective in the Community Strategic Plan utilizing practices that avoid incarceration, including crime prevention; and

WHEREAS, the City of Redmond has adopted as its #3 public safety objective in the Community Strategic Plan a commitment to Vision Zero and addressing community-driven safety concerns in the public right-of-way; and

WHEREAS, motor vehicle theft rates in the United State have increased 105% since 2019 and are increasingly used in the commission of other crimes; and

WHEREAS, stolen motor vehicles are frequently used to damage or destroy storefronts and other structures, to gain access, and to steal items of value; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that, consistent with Public Safety Objective #1 in the Community Strategic Plan, crimes should be prevented rather than resorting to prosecution after being committed, when possible; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that, consistent with Public Safety Objective #3 of the Community Strategic Plan, Vision Zero, and the Transportation Facilities Plan, right-of-way and street design can should be used to protect all users of the public right-of-way from out-of-control and malicious drivers and vehicles; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that, consistent with Objective #1 of the Community Strategic Plan, the City can and should respond to changes in criminal activity and threats, and use right-of-way design and infrastructure to prevent crimes, when reasonable; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that it is an appropriate use of the public right of way to install temporary protective measures when

there is a high public safety threat and/or likelihood of the use of a vehicle for destructive purposes, including threats to the safety of pedestrians, cyclists, and structures; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that it is an appropriate use of the public right of way to install permanent protective measures when there is a persistent public safety threat and/or likelihood of the use of a vehicle for destructive purposes, consistent with applicable law.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDMOND,
WASHINGTON, HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

1. The City Council of the City of Redmond hereby requests that the Department of Public Works:
 - A. Develop a plan and process for the permitting of right-of-way use and modification for the purposes of installing or placing temporary barriers to protect people and structures from vehicles.
 - a. The permitting process shall be designed to be completed on a timeline consistent with the nature threat so that permitting delays shall not present a material risk.
 - B. Develop a plan and process for the permitting of right-of-way use and modification for the purposes of installing or placing permanent barriers and/or deterrents to protect people and structures from vehicles.
 - a. The plan shall specify the City's preferred barrier/deterrence design for applicable zones and street configurations
 - b. The plan shall at minimum provide for the placement of barriers or deterrents that are capable of preventing vehicles from entering sidewalks and other areas reserved primarily for pedestrians.
 - c. The plan shall at minimum provide for the placement of barriers or deterrents that are capable of preventing vehicles from being used to destroy structures or other fixed infrastructure.

- d. The plan shall at minimum provide an approval process for barriers or deterrents not specified in the plan for the purposes of mitigating threats not contemplated by the plan.
- 2. Development of a permitting plan shall not be a reason to deny a permit prior to the plan's completion.



Council Policy Proposal

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Tracking Number 0005 Date of Request 9/18/2024 Requester Jeralee Anderson

Problem Statement

A clear and concise description of the issue(s) that need(s) to be addressed.

Transportation capital projects (projects involving construction, repair and renovation of public streets, sidewalks and parking facilities) are not included in the scope of the 1% for Arts Resolution (Ord. 1640 adopted June 11, 1991) and are a significant portion of the city's capital budget and physical public space. Additionally, the Council has adopted a Transportation Benefit District as a funding source for transportation projects without a portion of this new revenue supporting the existing pooled fund for Arts overseen by the Arts Commission.

Proposal

What is being proposed to assist in addressing the issue described in the problem statement?

A **budget proviso** establishing:

A subaccount in the Transportation Benefit District Capital Fund for artworks that provides for a transparent and direct fund transfer to the City's Arts Activity Fund in the amount of 1% of revenues generated from the TBD. The Arts Activity Fund is overseen by the Arts Commission.

The proviso shall state that intended uses and placement of the TBD originated funds shall be prioritized for transportation projects where space is feasible.

Based on prior conversations the TBD will generate \$11,000,000 per biennium. A 1% allocation through this proposed proviso would create \$110,000 for Arts every 2 years.

Relationship to City Business or Proposed City Business/Services

Describe how this will enhance what is already offered and/or what it will provide that is not currently available. Why is this the City's issue to address? How will this create a more adaptive and resilient organization?

This proposal will help the Public Works Department become an active collaborator and beneficiary in the City's Arts Program and align with existing city ordinance and intentions established through the 1% for Arts ordinance.

Connection to Strategic Plan and/or Budget Priorities

Choose all that apply or enter plan name

- ☒ Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
- ☐ Environmental Sustainability
- ☐ Housing Choices
- ☒ Infrastructure

- ☐ Public Safety
- ☐ Other [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)
- ☐ Healthy and Sustainable
- ☐ Safe and Resilient
- ☒ Vibrant and Connected
- ☐ Strategic and Responsive
- ☒ Capital Investment Program
- ☐ Other [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)

Timing

Is this issue time-sensitive? / Are there other timing factors to consider?

Yes, this item should be considered for incorporation in the 2025-2026 budget ordinance.

Supporting Documentation

Are there documents that support your request or that should be considered?

Yes, attached is Ordinance 1640 (received from Kelley Cochran 9/11/2024).

Past review of this ordinance in 2019 by Arts Commission, in pursuit of a Parks request to increase arts allocation from 1% to 1.25% through repeal and replacement (DID NOT PASS COUNCIL)
https://www.redmond.gov/AgendaCenter/ViewFile/Minutes/_04222019-427

Councilmember Sponsors (not required)

Cannot be a quorum unless discussed at an open public meeting.

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Anderson

Sponsoring Councilmember

1. _____ Jessica Forsythe _____
Councilmember

2. _____
Councilmember

Post Action (to be completed by Council Leadership)

Referral to: ☐ Study Session

☐ Committee of the Whole

☐ Staff Review

☐ Add to Priorities List / Ranking _____

☐ No Action

☐ Legal Review

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1% For the Arts

ORDINANCE NO. 1640

ORIGINAL

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF REDMOND, WASHINGTON,
RELATING TO PUBLIC ART.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDMOND, WASHINGTON,
HEREBY ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Purpose. The City of Redmond recognizes the importance and benefit of providing opportunities for art experiences at public facilities. It is the City's intention to create a variety of cultural opportunities for its citizens and to enhance the cultural environment in the community by encouraging and promoting the creation and placement of public art. A policy is therefore established to pool 1% for the arts funds to be used for works of art at certain public places that will expand citizen's access to public visual art.

Section 2. Definitions. As used in this Ordinance, the following terms have the meanings set forth below:

- A. "Acquisition of Real Property" means the purchase of parcels of land or existing buildings and structures, including associated costs such as appraisals or negotiations.
- B. "Arts Commission" means the Redmond Arts Commission.
- C. "Demolition Costs" means the cost of removing buildings or other structures from the property.
- D. "Equipment" means equipment or furnishings that are portable.

- E. "Qualifying Capital Improvement Project" funded wholly or in part by the City of Redmond and costing \$100,000 or more to construct, renovate or remodel any public building, decorative or commemorative structure, park, or any portion thereof, within the City limits. Projects involving the construction, renovation or repair of public streets, sidewalks and parking facilities are not Qualifying Capital Improvement Projects within the meaning of this ordinance, provided, that where street, sidewalk, or parking facilities construction is an integral and/or incidental part of the construction, renovation or remodel of any public building, decorative or commemorative structure, park, parking facility, or any portion thereof, the cost of the street, sidewalk and parking facilities construction shall be included within the total cost of the Qualifying Capital Improvement Project for purposes of this ordinance.

Section 3. Appropriations. All authorizations and/or appropriations for Qualifying Capital Improvement Projects shall include an amount of not less than one percent (1%) of the total project cost to be set aside for transfer to the Arts Activity Fund.

Section 4. Method of Calculation. For Qualifying Capital Improvement Projects, the minimum amount to be appropriated for art shall be the total project cost divided by 100, except that any City funded amount for the acquisition of real property, demolition, or equipment shall be excluded for the purpose of this calculation. The 1% calculation shall be based on the construction cost identified at the time the project is funded. This shall be a fixed amount and shall not fluctuate with future project budget adjustments. In the event any law, rule, or regulation establishing a source of funds for a

particular project, including but not limited to grants, loans, or assistance from federal, state or other governmental units, prohibits, limits, or excludes art and artworks as a proper expenditure, then the amount of funds from such source shall be excluded from the computation.

Section 5. General Obligation Bond Proceeds. In the case of a city project which involves the use of General Obligation Bond proceeds, funds appropriated shall be used for projects and capital purposes consistent with the resolution(s) or ordinance(s) approved by the City Council and the voters.

Section 6. Uses. The appropriations from Qualifying Capital Improvement Projects shall be pooled into the Arts Activity Fund. The City Council, upon advice and recommendation from the Arts Commission, shall approve, from time to time, the amount to be authorized for 1%-for-the-Arts projects. These funds shall be used for:

A. Selection, acquisition, and installation or display of original works of visual art which may be an integral part of the project, or be placed in, on or about the project or in another public facility;

B. Repairs and maintenance of 1%-for-the-Arts art works;

C. Participation by community members in the creation of works of art funded through the 1%-for-the-Arts program; and

D. Other project specific expenses of selection and acquisition, provided that no part of the funds shall be used to pay administrative staffing expenses of the program.

Section 7. 1% for the Arts Funds. Any unexpended 1% for the Arts funds remaining in the Arts Activity Fund at the end of any budget year shall not be transferred to the general fund or otherwise lapse, but said unexpended funds shall be carried forward from year to year until expended for the purposes set forth in Section 6 of this ordinance, unless otherwise directed by ordinance of the City Council.

Section 8. Arts Commission Responsibilities. Annually, the Arts Commission shall prepare and recommend a 1%-for-the-Arts Project Plan and shall make specific recommendations on the appropriation of 1%-for-the-Arts Funds to the City Council. The Arts Commission shall carry out all necessary tasks and procedures consistent with established arts policies, for the selection, placement, and conservation of art works.

Section 9. Severability. If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance should be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance.

Section 10. Effective Date. This ordinance, being an administrative action, is not subject to referendum and shall take effect five (5) days after this ordinance or a summary thereof consisting of the title is published.

APPROVED:


MAYOR, DOREEN MARCHIONE

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:

for Sandra L. Marini
CITY CLERK, DORIS SCHAIBLE

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY:

BY *[Signature]*

FILED WITH THE CITY CLERK: 06-27-91
PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL: 07-02-91
PUBLISHED: 07-07-91
EFFECTIVE DATE: 07-12-91
ORDINANCE NO. 1640



Council Policy Proposal

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Tracking Number 0006 Date of Request 9/18/2024 Requester Jeralee Anderson

Problem Statement

A clear and concise description of the issue(s) that need(s) to be addressed.

Council does not have a leadership position responsible for overseeing the records of the Council or external affairs and activities.

At the moment, 6 available leadership positions for 7 councilmembers result in a structural inequity in terms of division of labor and perceived authority.

The Council currently has 4 committees. The Finance Administration and Communications, and this Chair is effectively the Council Treasurer, overseeing the budget process but not the Council records.

In the Council Rules of Procedure, Section C, Roles & Responsibilities, the Council President has significant duties and only one other assistant (Council Vice President). None of these roles as described, including Committee Chair roles, address records or external affairs like events or ombudsperson.

Proposal

What is being proposed to assist in addressing the issue described in the problem statement?

Addition to Rules of Procedure Section 3, Members B. Officers and addition to Appendix C, Roles & Responsibilities new item (i) to be renumbered accordingly as follows.

B. Officers

1. President. Biennially, and also whenever the position comes vacant, the Council shall elect from its members a President.

2. Vice President. Biennially, and also whenever the position comes vacant, the Council shall elect from its members a Vice President.

3. Secretary. Biennially, and also whenever the position comes vacant, the Council shall elect from its members a Secretary.

Appendix C

DUTIES OF THE COUNCIL SECRETARY

- Review minutes of past meetings prior to their inclusion in the business meeting agenda for approval.
- Oversee the distribution of agendas and minutes of Council subcommittee and leadership meetings
- Coordinating community service events for Council participation
- Fielding requests for Council appearances in line with Council's annual goals
- Responses to community comments and policy complaints (ombudsperson), and
- Monthly newsletter communications on behalf of Council in cooperation with city staff.

- g. **Other external affairs, as needed.**

Relationship to City Business or Proposed City Business/Services

Describe how this will enhance what is already offered and/or what it will provide that is not currently available. Why is this the City's issue to address? How will this create a more adaptive and resilient organization?

This proposal relates to shared leadership, equitable distribution of power, learning, and empowerment as well as good governance principles for the Council itself. For the past four years, Councilmembers have stated a commitment to improved community engagement in the Community Strategic Plan without a designated point of contact on the Council to oversee its own success in this commitment.

Connection to Strategic Plan and/or Budget Priorities

Choose all that apply or enter plan name

- ☒ Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
- ☐ Environmental Sustainability
- ☐ Housing Choices
- ☐ Infrastructure
- ☐ Public Safety
- ☒ Other Council Strategic Plan on Community Engagement
- ☐ Healthy and Sustainable
- ☐ Safe and Resilient
- ☒ Vibrant and Connected
- ☒ Strategic and Responsive
- ☐ Capital Investment Program
- ☐ Other [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)

Timing

Is this issue time-sensitive? / Are there other timing factors to consider?

Yes, this item should be considered as soon as possible since it has to do with recordkeeping and community engagement.

Supporting Documentation

Are there documents that support your request or that should be considered?

In 2020/2021, the Council updated the code to remove the Regional Affairs Committee and reorganize the other four committee scopes in the code. Since 2018, the Regional Affairs Committee did not have an appointed chairperson and did not meet regularly, and leadership was distributed inequitably among Councilmembers (7 positions for 7 councilmembers). Removal of the Regional Affairs Committee resulted in a structural inequity (6 positions for 7 councilmembers).

Council maintains an informal "ombudsperson" role that divides the tasks for this role among all members, except for the Council President and Council Vice President. For this proposal, the Council Secretary could manage and oversee this division of labor as-is (send reminders, help with follow-ups etc.).

In 2024, Council established three-person subcommittees as well to work on specific Council projects from the retreat but no specific records of meetings of these groups are shared. A Council Secretary would be responsible for oversight and distribution of records of these subcommittees prior to council action.

Councilmember Sponsors (not required)

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Anderson

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Post Action (to be completed by Council Leadership)

Referral to: ☐ Study Session

☐ Staff Review

☐ No Action

☐ Committee of the Whole

☐ Add to Priorities List / Ranking _____

☐ Legal Review



Council Policy Proposal

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Tracking Number 0007 Date of Request 9/18/2024 Requester Jeralee Anderson

Problem Statement

A clear and concise description of the issue(s) that need(s) to be addressed.

Explore the potential operational and management efficiencies for Redmond's participation as Lead Agency in a Regional Fire Authority, including setting the groundwork for governance, finance, and labor engagement and a potential ballot strategy with partner agencies and locals at Bellevue, Kirkland, Fire District 34, and Eastside Fire & Rescue.

Proposal

What is being proposed to assist in addressing the issue described in the problem statement?

An budget allocation of \$250,000 for consulting, legal and administrative expenses for the purpose of establishing a Regional Fire Authority where Redmond is the Lead Agency coordinating participating agencies and managing payments.

Relationship to City Business or Proposed City Business/Services

Describe how this will enhance what is already offered and/or what it will provide that is not currently available. Why is this the City's issue to address? How will this create a more adaptive and resilient organization?

From a management and operational perspective, the formation of an RFA offers several key advantages:

- **Shared Training and Resources:** One of the most compelling aspects is pooling training resources and expertise across departments, leading to higher training standards and more efficient resource allocation, including REDI implementation.
- **Operational Efficiency:** A unified management structure will streamline decision-making, resource deployment, and long-term strategic planning. This will allow the City and partner agencies to optimize the use of personnel and equipment, improving overall emergency response capabilities while reducing duplication of effort.
- **Financial Stability:** A dedicated and predictable revenue stream will ensure that we can continue to invest in critical areas such as personnel, equipment, and infrastructure, securing long-term stability for fire and emergency services across all participating communities.
- **Union Merger Considerations:** The unions will play an integral role in this transition. Conversations around merging or unifying contracts within the RFA structure have already begun, and the City is committed to maintaining robust management rights while working collaboratively with labor organizations.

Connection to Strategic Plan and/or Budget Priorities

Choose all that apply or enter plan name

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- ☐ Environmental Sustainability
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- ☒ Public Safety
- ☐ Other [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)
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- ☐ Other [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)

Timing

Is this issue time-sensitive? / Are there other timing factors to consider?

This issue is requested for consideration in the 2025-2026 budget.

Supporting Documentation

Are there documents that support your request or that should be considered?

Staff will provide a brief presentation and materials related to initial work on this topic that is previously completed and can be shared with Council when this item is scheduled.

Councilmember Sponsors (not required)

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Sponsoring Councilmember

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Tracking Number 0008 Date of Request 9/18/2024 Requester CP Vanessa Kritzer & CVP Jessica Forsythe

Problem Statement

A clear and concise description of the issue(s) that need(s) to be addressed.

In July 2022, the Council created a new chapter in the Redmond Municipal Code related to tenant protections. Since that time we have heard concerns raised by renters in our community around the implementation of current policies and adherence to those policies by landlords. We have also heard requests for more education and outreach around existing policies to be more easily available to renters and landlords in Redmond.

Proposal

What is being proposed to assist in addressing the issue described in the problem statement?

This proposal is to study policy changes to address issues raised to us by the public in the past two years since the passage of our original tenant protections. We ask for council approval to seek staff and legal review to assess proposed policy changes that are possible within city jurisdiction. We will then bring recommended policies for a study session in early 2025 followed by a public hearing to allow us to hear community feedback on the specific proposals that council decides to pursue.

Policies to be studied include:

- Just Cause Eviction “Loophole” – Other jurisdictions such as King County, Kenmore, and Seattle have policies that state that landlords shall not evict a tenant, refuse to continue a tenancy, or terminate a tenancy except for the just causes allowed under state law or enumerated in city/county policy.
- Prohibiting Unfair or Abusive Actions or Deceptive Acts or Practices – King County has this section in their policy specifically prohibiting unfair or abusive practices to aid in enforcement of tenant protection provisions.
- Loopholes of current code – These include lack of specificity on whether:
 - Month-to-month is covered in notice requirements;
 - Terms of lease be included in notice;
 - Fees should be included in notice;

- There is a specific time in which a landlord may require a tenant to respond confirming their lease renewal following notice.
- Right to move – The City of Burien allows a tenant faced with a significant rent increase to leave a lease early: “In the event of such an increase, the tenant may terminate the tenancy immediately upon surrendering the dwelling unit before the increase takes effect. The tenant shall only owe pro rata rent through the date the premises are surrendered. Any notice increasing the current rent shall inform the tenant that they may terminate the tenancy at any time and owe pro rata rent through the date the tenant surrenders the dwelling unit.” (BMC 5.63.100)
- Info packet for new tenants outlining code and other relevant City information – We will review options for ways to ensure that people know about their rights as renters upon moving into the city as well as other relevant city service information.

Relationship to City Business or Proposed City Business/Services

Describe how this will enhance what is already offered and/or what it will provide that is not currently available. Why is this the City's issue to address? How will this create a more adaptive and resilient organization?

Renters in our community have raised issues with our current policies with our council over the past two years and it is incumbent upon us to address these concerns to advance our housing security goals laid out in the Housing Action Plan and Comprehensive Plan.

Connection to Strategic Plan and/or Budget Priorities

Choose all that apply or enter plan name

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- ☒ Strategic and Responsive
- ☐ Capital Investment Program

Timing

Is this issue time sensitive, are there other timing factors to consider?

We would like to get the research started this fall so we can advance this in the first quarter of the year with the Council. The longer we wait on updating these protections, the longer our constituents will face housing challenges that could have been addressed sooner.

Supporting Documentation

Are there documents that support your request or that should be considered?

King County Policies

[Seattle Policies](#)
[Kenmore Policies](#)
[Burien Policies](#)

Councilmember Sponsors (not required)

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____Vanessa Kritzer____
Sponsoring Councilmember

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Councilmember

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Councilmember

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