

# REDMOND CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE -PLANNING AND PUBLIC WORKS SPECIAL MEETING SUMMARY

August 4, 2025, 4:30 p.m.

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Presiding Officer Melissa Stuart called the meeting to order, reviewed attendance, and overviewed the agenda. The meeting was held in Council Chambers.

Committee Members present and establishing a quorum:

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 $\boxtimes$  Steve Fields joined at 5:18 p.m.

Angie Nuevacamina

Osman Salahuddin

Melissa Stuart

#### Action Items

## 1. Approve On Call Survey and Mapping Services Agreement

Department: Public Works

Action: Consent, September 2nd

Chris Stenger, Public Works Deputy Director, reported to the Members of the Committee:

- Evaluated and ranked consultant qualifications;
- One firm closed their business;
- Went to the next qualified company; and
- No contracts were signed with the company that closed their business.

Discussion ensued regarding: contracting.

#### 2. Award Eastrail Partners Memorandum of Agreement

Department: Parks and Recreation Action: Consent, September 2nd

Loreen Hamilton, Parks and Recreation Director, and Lindsay Falkenberg, Parks Planning Manager, reported to the Members of the Committee:

- 42-mile long trail;
- Various jurisdictions have the trails;
- Eastrail Partners;
- Redmond has 3.9 miles of Eastrail;
- Regional Advisory Council; and
- In line with previous memorandum of agreement.

Discussion ensued regarding: ribbon cutting.

### 3. Dissolution of Community Facilities District (CFD) 2014-01

Department: Finance

Action: Consent, September 16th

Kelley Cochran, Finance Director, reported to the Members of the Committee:

- Board is looking to dissolve;
- A formal vote will take place in September; and
- Council approval will be requested on September 16<sup>th</sup>.

Discussion ensued regarding: fund balance and other uses of the funds.

## 4. WSDOT Regional Mobility Grant Acceptance

Department: Planning and Community Development

Action: Consent, September 2nd

Seraphie Allen, Deputy Director of Planning and Community Development, and Francesca Liburdy, Senior Transportation Planner, reported to the Members of the Committee:

- Grant funding with a match from the City;
- Micro transit shuttle;
- Shared parking program;
- Shuttle service Requests for Proposals is now closed;
- Applications are being reviewed;
- Soft opening in early 2026; and
- Promoting it to the community.

#### 5. Bellwether Housing (Prisma) Purchase and Sale Agreement

Department: Planning and Community Development

Action: Consent, September 2nd

Seraphie Allen, Deputy Director of Planning and Community Development, and David Tuchek, Parks and Recreation Deputy Director, reported to the Members of the Committee:

- Affordable housing project;
- Next to Overlake Station;
- Purchasing commercial space;
- Determining the services to be provided;
- Received Commerce grant from the state; and
- Also acquiring open space parcel in a separate agreement.

Discussion ensued regarding: Commerce grant; open space parcel; and grant is a reimbursement of city funds.

#### 6. 2025 Annual Code Cleanup

Department: Planning and Community Development

Action: Consent, September 2nd

Seraphie Allen, Deputy Director of Planning and Community Development, and Jeff Churchill, Long Range Planning Manager, reported to the Members of the Committee:

- Clarity, errors and clean up; and
- Planning Commission recommended the changes.

### Feedback for Study Session

## Redmond Town Center Master Planned Development and Development Agreement -Quasi Judicial

Department: Planning and Community Development

Action: Study Session, September 9th

David Lee, Planning Manager, and Alex Hunt, Senior Planner, requested feedback from the Members of the Committee:

- Appearance of Fairness doctrine;
- Five phases;
- Mixed use buildings;
- Commercial and retail uses;
- Buildings up to 12 stories; and
- Affordable housing is included.

Topics for Study Session: Quasi-judicial process; applicant attendance at the study session; phasing timeline; requirements for applicant; what parts are changing; zoning; and open space.

#### 2. Urban Centers Parking Management Existing Conditions Report

Department: Planning and Community Development

Action: Staff Report, September 16th

Seraphie Allen, Planning and Community Development Deputy Director, and Caroline Chapman, Senior Planner, requested feedback from the Members of the Committee:

- Two phases;
- Key findings and strategies;
- Shared parking pilot program;
- Longer term parking policies;
- Parking utilization;
- Residential parking uses;
- Employee parking issues;
- Monthly parking fee.

Topics for Staff Report: community feedback and concerns; changes; and benefits.

### 3. House Bill 2015 - New Funding Mechanisms for Criminal Justice

Department: Finance Action: Study Session, TBD Kelley Cochran, Finance Director, requested feedback from the Members of the Committee:

- Gives cities two new funding mechanisms;
- Offset criminal justice costs;
- Amount of grant funding;
- Sales tax option;
- Overview of the House Bill:
- Police staffing and city population; and
- Existing revenues.

Topics for the Staff Report: reason for raising additional revenue; budget conversation; timing; eligible expenditures; alternative crisis response funding; additional tax on the community; right sizing the department; public defense standards; and delay in receiving funding.

#### Informational

1. Briefing on the Allocation of \$1,000,000 in City Funds to Bellwether Housing's Prisma Development to Support Deeper Affordability of Housing Units

Department: Planning and Community Development

Action: Informational

Carol Helland, Director of Planning and Community Development, and Seraphie Allen, Planning and Community Development Deputy Director, reported to the Members of the Committee:

- Uncommitted funding;
- Funding gap;
- Addressing cost increases;
- Raising the affordability;
- Prioritizing three-bedroom units; and
- Additional funding from King County.

Discussion ensued regarding: Council's role in this process; alternatives; tax exemption changes; other projects using the affordable housing funding; how much money has been committed; and setting aside funding for affordable housing.

#### Read Only - N/A

Meeting adjourned at 5:39 p.m.