

Redmond 2050

Quarterly Update: Q1 2021

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Agenda

- Community Involvement
 - What have we heard?
 - Whom have we heard from?
- Q2 look-ahead

Next Week's Study Session Focus:

What is missing from draft policy considerations?

Community Involvement Opportunities



- Pains & Gains Round 2
- SEPA Scoping
- Location of Growth
- Form of Growth: Design Principles
- Form of Growth: Look and Feel
- Transportation Vision, Principles, Strategies
- Transportation Project Map
- 3 Community Advisory Committee Meetings (1x Month)

Participant Demographics



- More women than men
- Most frequently Millennials and Gen X
- Asian American/Pacific Islander and Latinx underrepresented

Focused Outreach



- Small and minority-owned businesses
- Students
- Employers
- Community-based organizations
- Business community
- School districts
- Community Advisory Committee
- Planning Commission
- Pedestrian Bicycle Advisory Committee

What We Have Heard: Pains & Gains

[I am] Concerned about small businesses that have been here a long time are forced to close because landlord is selling property for new buildings.

I like the new buildings that have little restaurants and stuff at the bottom. it makes the city more walkable and 'alive' which I love.

GAINS NOW

- Redmond is a safe place
- Redmond has strong parks and outdoor recreation opportunities

- There are not enough small businesses and those that remain are struggling to maintain their locations
- The cost of housing in Redmond is too high and there are not enough affordable housing options

PAINS NOW

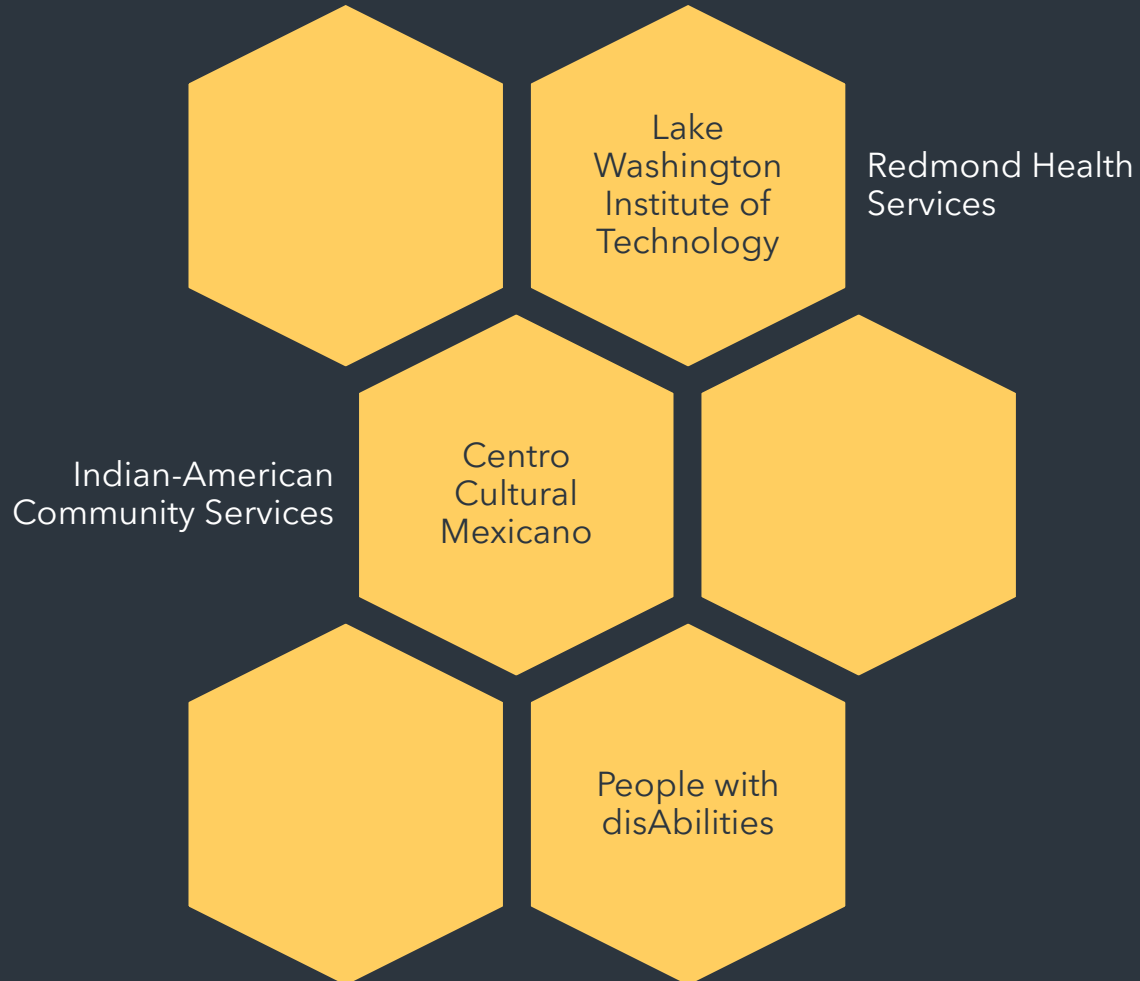
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- Redmond has more affordable homes

- Redmond loses small businesses
- Redmond has high housing costs

PAINS NEXT

What We Have Heard: Community-based Organizations



Priorities:

- Diversity & inclusion
- Housing opportunities
- Small business support
- Accessible transportation

Any growth scenario must address:

- Affordable housing, commercial space
- Community gathering places, cultural spaces that bring people together
- Access to transit; traffic mitigation

What We Have Heard: **Small and Minority-Owned Businesses**



- **Cultural & Economic Diversity** should be prioritized & supported
 - Flexible spaces & uses
 - Support for small businesses & employees
 - More balance across types & sizes of businesses
- Traffic is a problem, look forward to positive impacts of more **mixed-use, walkable and accessible spaces**
- **Affordable commercial & residential spaces** are critical to staying in Redmond

Q2 Look Ahead

Community Involvement



- Input on themes will shape how we evaluate policy choices
- Input on growth alternatives will influence where growth goes
- Input on Overlake planning will help us understand needs, priorities

Q2 Look Ahead

Council Actions in April



- SEPA Consultant Contract Amendment
 - Integrates Climate Vulnerability Assessment (CVA)
 - Accelerates CVA, enabling Redmond 2050 decisions to be informed by CVA results
 - Extends Redmond 2050 Phase 1 by about four months
- Travel Demand Modeling Contract
 - Supports Redmond 2050 EIS, TMP update, and impact fee update



Next Week's Study Session

- Existing Conditions Report contains draft policy recommendations
- Draft set, together with community input, provided on February 9

What is missing from draft policy considerations?
What else should be considered during Redmond 2050?



Thank You

Any Questions?

