

Redmond 2050

Outreach Results and Policy Discussion

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Agenda

- Community Input on Policy Considerations
- Council Input on Policy Considerations



Land Use and Urban Centers



Policy Considerations

- Multifamily housing locations (LU-36)
- Middle housing
- Neighborhood commercial uses
- Transit Oriented Development (TOD):
uses, intensities, boundaries

Feedback

- Define “neighborhood character”
- Address parks, open space to support community building and character
- Consider school impacts
- Expand mixed-use opportunities
- Address displacement
- Consider demands on emergency services

Housing



Policy Considerations

- Housing equity
 - Distributional equity
 - Process equity
 - Cross-generational equity

Feedback

- Consider lessons from pandemic
- Promote infill housing
- Facilitate middle housing
- Connect housing to amenities
- Facilitate more affordable housing
- Encourage green building materials

Economic Vitality



Policy Considerations

- Flexibility in size, location, uses
- Mitigate displacement
- Support "makers spaces"
- Maintain manufacturing land uses and jobs
- Encourage more office uses in Downtown

Feedback

- Retain, recruit, and support small, local, women- and BIPOC- owned businesses & start ups
- Encourage neighborhood scale retail & home-based business
- Establish city liaison to develop on-going business relationships
- Pursue economic diversity to meet the needs of people at all income levels.

Capital Facilities and Public Safety



Policy Considerations

- Pursue Equity
 - Response times and coverage
 - Funding and low-income areas
 - Internet connectivity
- Promote Sustainability
 - Accommodate growth with appropriate levels of service
 - Improve environmental sustainability
 - Spend the money necessary

Feedback

- Revitalize, expand existing facilities
- Adapt to changing public safety needs as light rail is extended
- Regional fire service collaboration
- New technologies for a Smart City

Utilities



Policy Considerations

- Minimize geographic disparities
- Sustainability
 - Water management and climate change
 - Improving environmental sustainability
- Prioritize resilience and recovery

Feedback

- Resilience in utilities
- More choices in utility options
- Municipal high-speed internet service
- Electric vehicle charging stations

Natural Environment



Policy Considerations

- Monitoring hazards increased by climate change
- Enhancement areas considered at a watershed-scale.
- Additional strategies to achieve GHG emissions aspirational goals
- Additional considerations based on Vision 2050 directives & Best Available Science report

Feedback

- Incentivize off-grid residences at home or neighborhood scale
- Substitute electricity for natural gas in heating and cooling systems
- Encourage or require solar energy
- Allow more mixed-use

Policy Considerations: What's Missing?

