

# REDMOND CITY COUNCIL STUDY SESSION MEETING SUMMARY

April 23, 2024, 7 p.m.

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Council President Vanessa Kritzer called the meeting to order, reviewed attendance, and overviewed the agenda. The meeting was held in City Hall Council Chambers.

Councilmembers present and establishing a quorum:

- $\square$  Jeralee Anderson
- $\overline{X}$  Steve Fields
- $\boxtimes$  Jessica Forsythe
- Vanessa Kritzer
- 🛛 Angie Nuevacamina
- $\overline{X}$  Osman Salahuddin
- $\overline{X}$  Melissa Stuart

### 1. Proposed Facilities Condition Assessment Update

Department: Parks and Recreation Action: Informational

Loreen Hamilton, Parks and Recreation Director, was joined by consultants, and reported to the Members of the Council:

- Last assessment was in 2013;
- Condition of City-owned buildings;
- Assessment preparation;
- Included facilities;
- Findings; and
- Repair costs.

Discussion ensued regarding: criteria used for costs; equipment inventory; facilities not included; prioritization; facilities not owned by the City; known problems with the facilities; cost estimates; and efficiencies.

#### 2. 2024 Legislative Session Debrief

Department: Executive Action: Informational

Amy Tsai, Chief Policy Advisor, and Briahna Murray, City Lobbyist, reported to the Members of the Council:

- Legislative themes;
- Short session;
- Supplemental budgets;
- Six initiatives;
- Modest proposals;

- Reelections in November;
- City of Redmond priority issues;
- Idlywood Park accessibility improvements;
- Electric fire engine charging infrastructure;
- 148<sup>th</sup> Ave NE bicycle and pedestrian overpass prioritization;
- Plymouth Housing Project;
- Support issues; and
- Next steps.

Discussion ensued regarding: setting expectations for next year; behavioral health; state opioid response; repeal of the Climate Commitment Act; role of cities in creating housing; settlement; and WRIA 8.

# 3. Status Update of the Implementation of the Transportation Benefit District and Walkway Condition Monitoring Program

Department: Public Works Action: Informational

Vangie Garcia, Public Works Deputy Director, and Triston Osborne, Operations Manager, provided a presentation to the Members of the Council:

- Adopted into code last year;
- Increase in sales tax;
- Projects funded;
- Prioritizing needed investments;
- Public priority survey;
- Monitoring needs;
- Street logic software;
- Concrete crew; and
- Current status.

Discussion ensued regarding: pavement condition index; public facing page; using contractors; how much can be accomplished; funding; and reporting to the Council.

Recess: 8:56 p.m., reconvene 9:02 p.m.

### 4. Budget Preparation: Budgeting for Equity

Department: Finance Action: Informational

Kelley Cochran, Finance Director, Adrian Sheppard, Fire Chief, and Jan Harrison, DEI Program Advisor, discussed the issues matrix with the Members of the Council:

- Access for everyone;
- Budget is a workplan;
- Objectives;
- Process;
- Programs inventory to make biggest impact;
- Equity action plans;

- Civic results team and Welcoming team;
- Timeline;
- Identifying needs and budgeting by programs;
- Proposed focus areas; and
- Emergency communication system.

Discussion ensued regarding: trust; low cost options; providing slides to the public; equity budget offers; emergency response volunteer program; fire alarm languages; proposals coming forward; process improvements; and preparing for extreme weather events.

## 5. Council Talk Time

- Legislative Coordinator has been hired;
- Council retreat;
- Committee workplans;
- Sound Transit 2 line opening;
- Mural painting for the Redmond Senior & Community Center;
- Arbor Day celebration;
- Subcommittee openings;
- Council rules on public comment;
- Spring Safety Fair; and
- Association of Washington Cities leaders conference.

Meeting adjourned at 10:01 p.m.