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

Council Conference Room 15670 NE 85th Street, Redmond, Washington

Tuesday, March 12, 2019

Council	Staff

Tanika Padhye, Presiding Officer
Joe Averill, Engineering Supervisor
Aaron Noble, Engineer
Angela Birney
Patty Criddle, Senior Engineer
Judy Fani, Senior Planner

Steve Fields Cindy Wellborn, Senior Engineer Hank Margeson Amanda Balzer, Utility Supervisor

Hank Myers

Scott Reynolds, Planner
Peter Dane, Senior Planner

Carol Helland, Deputy Director of Planning and

Community Development Michelle M. Hart, MMC, City Clerk

Convened: 4:30 p.m. Adjourned: 5:36 p.m.

Presiding Officer Tanika Padhye called the meeting to order, reviewed attendance, and overviewed the agenda.

Items 8 - 10 are pulled by staff and will come forward during the April committee meeting. Affordable Housing is added as Item No. 8.

Approval of Agreements for On-Call Materials Testing and Special Inspection Services

Mr. Joe Averill, Engineering Supervisor, and Mr. Aaron Noble, Engineer, stated that these agreements will re-establish on-call services with three firms for two-year period. At the end of the two-year period, and not exceeding a \$600,000 total contract amount, the City has the option to extend the agreement for an additional two-year term at the same cost. The on-call service agreements ensure that projects, materials, and workmanship meet City standards and funding requirements. Seven firms have submitted statements of qualifications. This item will go forward for approval at the April 2, 2019, regular business meeting.

Redmond Technology Station (RTS) Pedestrian Bridge Agreements

Ms. Patty Criddle, Senior Engineer, provided an update on the pedestrian bridge and on the three construction agreements for the bridge:

- a study session will be held on March 26, 2019, and adoption at the April 16, 2019, regular business meeting;
- bridge is reaching 60 percent of design;

- overviews the construction schedule starting as early as October 2019 December 2021;
- Microsoft decided to contract directly with the construction firm, as opposed to contracting through Sound Transit;
- the three required agreements are WSDOT trail lease amendment, OTC funding agreement, and the construction agreement between Microsoft and the City of Redmond;
- operation and maintenance agreement will come forward in the future; and
- the new bridge alignment connecting to the Redmond Technology Station.

General discussion ensued regarding if there is any change in scope or oversite with the removal of Sound Transit from the bridge project; Microsoft will work directly with WSDOT to get a developers agreement to construct the bridge; Microsoft is hiring the contractor and appropriate City staff; Sound Transit had no objections to the change; and the necessary changes to the Community Facilities District agreements.

Final Plat Approval – 166th Avenue Townhomes

Ms. Carol Helland, Deputy Director of Planning and Community Development, and Ms. Cindy Wellborn, Senior Engineer, stated that the 166th Avenue Townhomes are scheduled to go forward for final plat approval at the April 2, 2019, regular business meeting. This is a Type 5 process that requires Council action.

General discussion ensued regarding the Hearing Examiner decision and the necessity of Council approval.

Bike Share Ordinance Update

Mr. Peter Dane, Senior Planner, stated that he would like to find out what questions the Council has for the March study session, and if there any additional topics that the Council would like to discuss.

General discussion ensued regarding having consistent regulations with Bellevue that equally apply to the Overlake area; review of the Bellevue and Seattle permit program; staff has recommended incorporating certain components of the Bellevue permit, but it is not exactly the same; incorporation of language that allows different bike shares to operate throughout the City, and also allowing a bike share to operate on a right of way; fees; critical mass for bikes; consistency with neighboring communities – some of whom have approved the use of scooters; the purpose for limiting the number of vendors; working cross-departmentally to ensure the program will work; available state funding; clutter concerns; and sources of funding.

Wellhead Protection Code Permanent Regulations

Ms. Amanda Balzer, Utility Supervisor, stated that a study session will be provided to the Council in the end of March; there will be changes to the Redmond Municipal Code, Redmond Zoning Code, and the Comprehensive Plan; fee schedule updates; focusing on protection efforts and supporting the Clean and Green priority; and permanent regulations are the last piece of the work to complete the update.

General discussion ensued regarding the hard work for staff to incorporate these regulations; refunding money to businesses; setting up protections for the future; and this item will go forward for approval at the April 16, 2019, regular business meeting.

2018–2019 Comprehensive Plan Docket

Ms. Judy Fani, Senior Planner, stated that this is currently scheduled for the consent agenda on March 19, 2019 for adoption and is considering removing the amendment to the Proctor Willows site, as it has been completed.

General discussion ensued regarding placing Pier 67 on the docket; re-evaluate the threshold criteria; create multi-family overlays on the corridors; updates to the Education Hill Neighborhood Plan; evaluation of the Avondale Bear Creek corridor; multi-year efforts; housing strategy as opposed to a docket item; not meeting approval criteria; design districts and projects; spot zoning; common law prohibition; looking at the areas that were previously annexed, as zoning in this area of Avondale were never changed; the Council's job is to look at policy; not an affordable housing project; an issue of fairness; looking at neighborhood plans to make changes; and this item will go forward on the consent agenda for approval at the March 19, 2019, regular business meeting.

Amendments to Redmond Zoning Code per FCC Ruling

Mr. Scott Reynolds, Planner, provide a report:

- amendment to the Redmond Zoning Code regarding the wireless communications facilities ordinance:
- the FCC released a new ruling that brought the code out of compliance;
- the deadline the FCC provided for local updates is April 15, 2019;
- three areas need to be brought into compliance;
- RMC 12.14 update;
- 9th Circuit Court of Appeals; and
- shot clocks, technology advances, and possible future code changes.

General discussion ensued regarding the proposed schedule; public comments are incorporated in the planning commission notes; comparison to other jurisdictions; Redmond is in the middle of the pack with respect to adoption; research regarding the safety of 5G; and complying with the deadline of April 15, 2019.

Affordable Housing (this item was added at the time of the meeting)

Councilmember Padhye requested that there be a check-in on affordable housing and can be discussed during Council Talk Time at a study session.

Councilmember Birney stated that there are study sessions scheduled for this topic and some progress will be seen in that area.

Approval of Ordinance Amending the Redmond Municipal Code 12.14 Relating to Telecommunications (existing Ordinance No. 2925) (this item was removed at the time of the meeting)

Resolution to Delegate Authority for the Mayor to Approve Small Cell Wireless Communication Facilities Master License Agreements for City-owned Light Poles (this item was removed at the time of the meeting)

Resolution Amending the User Fee Schedule to Add Fees Associated with Usage of the Rights of Way and City Property by Telecommunications Service Providers (this item was removed at the time of the meeting)