



Legislation Text

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MEMO TO: Members of the City Council

FROM: Mayor John Marchione

SUBJECT:

Adoption of Ordinances for the Redmond Cultural Resources Management Plan (CRMP)

- a. ORDINANCE NO. 2981: An Ordinance Amending the Comprehensive Plan Narrative and Policies of the Introduction; Goals, Vision, and Framework Element; Community Character and Historic Preservation Element; Natural Environment Element, and Glossary to Adopt Updates Related to the Establishment of a Citywide Cultural Resources Management Plan, a Stipulation of Amendment 1 to the Memorandum of Agreement Among the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, the Federal Highway Administration, the Washington State Department of Archaeology & Historic Preservation, the City of Redmond, and the Washington State Department of Transportation Regarding Treatment of Adverse Effects to the Bear Creek Site (45KI839), Redmond, King County, Washington, Providing for Severability and Establishing an Effective Date.
- b. ORDINANCE NO. 2982: An Ordinance Amending the Following Chapters of the Redmond Zoning Code: 21.30 Historic and Archaeological Resources and 21.78 Definitions; and Creating Appendix 9 Cultural Resources Management Procedures of the Redmond Zoning Code Related to Regulations Related to the Establishment of a Citywide Cultural Resources Management Plan, a Stipulation of Amendment 1 to the Memorandum of Agreement Among the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, the Federal Highway Administration, the Washington State Department of Archaeology & Historic Preservation, the City of Redmond, and the Washington State Department of Transportation Regarding Treatment of Adverse Effects to the Bear Creek Site (45KI839), Redmond, King County, Washington, Providing for Severability and Establishing an Effective Date.

I. RECOMMENDED ACTION

Adopt ordinances amending the Redmond Comprehensive Plan (Attachment A) and Zoning Code (Attachment B) regarding the protection, preservation, and management of cultural resources within the City's jurisdiction.

II. DEPARTMENT CONTACTS

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III. **DESCRIPTION/BACKGROUND**

The CRMP is a citywide plan addressing cultural - archaeological and historical - resources. It has been developed in response to a stipulation of the 2014 Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) Regarding Treatment of Adverse Effects to the Bear Creek Site (45KI839) and its addenda. Addendum 1 to the MOA required the City to use the services of a qualified archaeological consultant to prepare Redmond's first CRMP. Staff and the project consultant began developing the plan May 17, 2016 following the City Council's approval of the consultant's contract.

The CRMP ensures compliance with federal, state, and local laws and regulations that govern the protection and management of cultural resources. It is comprised of the following:

- Amendments to the City's Comprehensive Plan;
- Amendments to the Zoning Code;
- Ethnographic context; and
- Protocols and procedures regarding ground disturbing activities for both public and private development.

Planning Commission Review

The Planning Commission reviewed the proposed CRMP and its amendments during study sessions held on September 11, 2019 and September 25, 2019 to deliberate the Technical Committee's August 21, 2019 recommendation. A summary of the Commission's discussion and its recommendation are included in Attachment C.

City Council Review

City staff briefed the City Council's Planning and Public Works Committee of the Whole on the CRMP's content and proposed amendments at the September 10, 2019 meeting. Councilmembers continued their review and discussion of the amendments at the October 1, 2019 business meeting during a staff report and at the October 8, 2019 study session, summarized in Attachment D. Councilmembers recommended including the CRMP and its amendments to the Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Code on the consent agenda for their consideration and action on December 3, 2019.

IV. **PREVIOUS DISCUSSIONS HELD**

The City Council previously discussed this item during the following:

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| Committee of the Whole (Planning and Public Works Committee) | November 10, 2015 | Briefing |
| Planning and Public Works Committee | May 10, 2016 | Briefing |
| City Council | May 17, 2016 | Contract Approval |
| Planning and Public Works Committee | October 11, 2016 | Briefing |
| Planning and Public Works Committee | June 13, 2017 | Briefing |
| City Council | September 5, 2017 | Study Session |
| Planning and Public Works Committee | September 10, 2019 | Briefing |
| City Council | October 1, 2019 | Staff Report |
| City Council | October 8, 2019 | Study Session |

V. IMPACT

A. Service/Delivery:

The CRMP has been developed in collaboration and agreement by the parties to the Bear Creek MOA. Establishing the CRMP through the City Council's action on recommended amendments to the Comprehensive Plan, Zoning Code, and operating procedures demonstrates the City's completion of the respective stipulations of the MOA within a timely manner.

B. Fiscal Note:

The investigation, protection, and management of cultural resources involves costs such as in contracting with professional archaeologists, coordinating the protection of inadvertently discovered resources during project development, and in curating discovered and excavated artifacts. The CRMP has incorporated procedures that encourage and guide project proponents through proactive consideration of cultural resources thereby supporting increased predictability and potentially reducing costs associated with the protection of cultural resources.

Whereby the CRMP ensures implementation of policies, regulations, and procedures in conformance with state and federal laws, the plan also incorporates protocols into existing City services and operations. In this manner, staff and customers' involvement is coordinated and standardized to minimize impacts on project schedules, budgets or internal operational costs.

VI. ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATION

The City Council may choose to adopt the amendments, adopt the amendments with modifications, delay adoption, or not adopt the amendments.

Staff is recommending the City Council's adoption of the amendments as recommended by the Planning Commission. Adopting in this manner will satisfy stipulated actions agreed to among the signatories and concurring parties of the 2014 Memorandum of Agreement Regarding Treatment of Adverse Effects to the Bear Creek Site (45KI839) and its addenda.

VII. TIME CONSTRAINTS

Development of the CRMP had been originally stipulated for completion within three years of execution of Amendment 1 to the MOA (eff. Sept. 29, 2014). Subsequently, the signatories to the MOA agreed to an extension, allowing for completion by September 29, 2018. With the Mayor and signatories' approval, staff has continued work toward the CRMP's completion and is recommending City Council's action on December 3, 2019.

VIII. LIST OF ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A: Ordinance amending the Redmond Comprehensive Plan

Exhibit 1: Redmond Comprehensive Plan Amendments

Attachment B: Ordinance amending the Redmond Zoning Code

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Exhibit 2: New Section, Appendix 9, to the Redmond Zoning Code

Attachment C: Context, operational, and reference portions of the Cultural Resources
Management Plan

Attachment D: Planning Commission Report and Exhibits

Attachment E: Final City Council Issues Matrix