

*Developing and Implementing Plans for Redmond's Future*

**Progress Update – April 2013**

Planning staff work with the community to preserve and enhance Redmond's high quality of life by updating and implementing Redmond's Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Code. The table below describes the type of actions taken since the last update, as well as specific progress made within each category.

<b>Type of Action</b>	<b>Progress</b>
Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Code Updates	<p>Redesigned print version of the Comprehensive Plan completed and distributed in October 2012</p> <p>New digital version of the Comprehensive Plan completed and launched November 2012</p> <p>2012-13 Comprehensive Plan docket approved by City Council in July 2012. Of items on the docket, status to date includes:</p> <p><i>Council decision:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adopted update to Comprehensive Plan Glossary</li> <li>• Adopted update to Natural Environment Element</li> <li>• Adopted Downtown Zoning Code Amendments and Downtown Growth, Transportation and Efficiency Center (GTEC) policy update</li> <li>• Denied request to amend Redmond's General Sewer Plan</li> <li>• Adopted Overlake SEPA Planned Action update</li> </ul> <p><i>Planning Commission has completed recommendations; Council will review and decide on during second quarter 2013:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Privately initiated request for Zoning Code and Comprehensive Plan Amendments for Tree Removal Exceptions and Definition of Technical Committee</li> <li>• Privately initiated Comprehensive Plan and potentially Zoning Code amendments related to sustainability and design</li> </ul> <p><i>Planning Commission review, recommendation upcoming during first half of 2013:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Transportation Master Plan Update</li> <li>• Privately initiated Land Use Map and Zoning Map (MP to GC) amendment for property in Willows-Rose Hill neighborhood</li> </ul>

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	<p><i>Other upcoming for Planning Commission and Council review, action:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bear Creek Design District policy and regulations update</li> <li>• Amendments to utility undergrounding policy and code</li> <li>• Southeast Redmond Neighborhood Plan Update</li> <li>• Overlake Urban Center boundary</li> <li>• Parking policy and regulations update</li> <li>• Regulations on drive-throughs in General Commercial zone</li> <li>• Proposed Electrical Facilities Map update in Utilities Element</li> <li>• Economic Vitality Element update in support of One Redmond objectives</li> <li>• Land Use and Transportation policy updates resulting from updated Transportation Master Plan</li> <li>• Stormwater policy updates in Utilities Element</li> <li>• Watershed Management Plan</li> <li>• Sammamish Valley Neighborhood Plan update</li> </ul>
Plan Implementation for Urban Centers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Formal outreach for East Link light rail final design and construction has commenced</li> <li>• Developing strategy for achieving transit-oriented development near Overlake Village light rail station</li> <li>• Worked with Sound Transit to update Sound Transit's TOD policy</li> <li>• Met with dozens of area's brokers and others in real estate community to share vision for Overlake and answer questions and get feedback regarding doing business in Redmond</li> <li>• Designing pedestrian-bicycle bridges for light rail stations at Overlake Village and Overlake Transit center</li> <li>• Adopted funding agreement for Overlake Village bridge and negotiating agreement for Overlake Transit Center bridge</li> <li>• Sound Transit completing permitting process for light rail stations and associated infrastructure in Redmond</li> <li>• Working on strategies to implement the vision for Overlake as part of the Puget Sound Regional Council Growing Transit Communities program</li> <li>• 164<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE extension to Redmond Town Center under construction</li> <li>• Cleveland Street streetscape construction drawings under development</li> <li>• Phase I Redmond Central Connector under construction</li> </ul>

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Other Plan Implementation Efforts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Received the Governor’s award for <i>Vision Blueprint: Redmond’s Capital Investment Strategy for 2013-30</i>. Continued with implementation actions for <i>Vision Blueprint</i>, including creation of a new categorization system to aid in prioritizing investments (pay up, keep up, catch up, step up).</li> <li>• Received VISION 2040 award for “Digital Suite”: Redmond’s digital Comprehensive Plan, e-Zoning Code, and e-Track permit tracking system.</li> <li>• Initiated and worked with City staff teams to carry out a new approach for the CIP offers for Downtown, Overlake, Neighborhoods, and Citywide Programs to develop and describe a six-year CIP strategy that is consistent with the long-term strategy developed in <i>Vision Blueprint</i>. Capital Investment Strategy work plan for 2013 reviewed by Directors Team Cross-departmental staff team developing scope for district energy feasibility study TDR program – 428 acres preserved to date; \$22.6 million transacted.</li> </ul>
Data Collection and Reporting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cross-departmental staff team exploring new approach for collecting, editing, maintaining, and sharing planning-level capital project data</li> <li>• Produced Redmond demographic profile; staff team sharing information to Commissions and Directors</li> <li>• Scoped parking demand for high-tech business cluster</li> <li>• Ongoing review on release of new land use data forecast products from Puget Sound Regional Council</li> <li>• Continued to provide data and analysis in support of a variety of projects, including the Transportation Master Plan update, development of the Watershed Management Plan, economic development, and planning for East Link</li> <li>• Ongoing GIS map maintenance coordinated with amendments to the Zoning Code and Comprehensive Plan</li> <li>• Maintaining annual reporting to Office of Financial Management, Lake Washington School District, US Census Bureau</li> <li>• Continuing annual review of PSRC employment estimate</li> </ul>
Annexation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Responding to property-owner interest in annexation in Redmond’s Potential Annexation Areas (PAA)</li> <li>• Completed Jones Annexation, 5.3 acres, two parcels adjacent to Red-Wood Road just north of city limits</li> <li>• City will pursue changes in property addresses for areas east of 132<sup>nd</sup> Avenue NE in Redmond’s PAA after annexation is complete.</li> </ul>