

City of Redmond Planning Commission

**January 22, 2014 Meeting Summary
Redmond City Hall – Council Chambers
15670 NE 85th Street, Redmond, Washington**

Planning Commissioners in Attendance:

Franz Wiechers-Gregory, Chair; Vibhas Chandorkar, Vice Chair; Scott Biethan, Phil Miller, Eric Murray, Robert O'Hara, Sheri Sanders

Planning Commissioners Excused:

None

Staff in Attendance:

Jeff Churchill, Senior Planner and Sarah Stiteler, Senior Planner.

1. Call to Order:

Chair Wiechers-Gregory called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Approval of the Agenda:

The agenda was approved unanimously without changes.

3. Items from the audience:

No items were presented.

4. Approval of meeting summary, January 14, 2014:

The meeting summary for the January 14, 2014 tour of Southeast Redmond was approved unanimously without changes.

5. Approval of meeting summary, January 15, 2014:

The summary for the meeting on 1/15/14 was approved without changes by a unanimous vote.

6. Study Session, Southeast Redmond Neighborhood Plan Update.

Mr. Churchill introduced the topic, stating that the purpose of this study session was to discuss and confirm the approach for the Planning Commission's review of the Southeast Redmond Neighborhood Plan Update. Mr. Churchill proposed a schedule to organize the discussion of the issues as well as the method for staff recording and response to questions and information requests. He stated further that the package of proposed neighborhood policies would be sent in the next meeting packet for review on February 12, 2014, and that the purpose of the first several study sessions is to provide an overview of the neighborhood plan including the vision, character, housing and economic vitality sections. In addition, the Commission will begin to discuss policy issues. An initial public hearing specific to Southeast Redmond policy amendments is scheduled for February 19, 2014. There will be a second public hearing concerning associated regulatory amendments in March. Commissioners agreed that the

process recommendations are reasonable and that the proposed sequencing and pacing is appropriate.

7. Study Session, Planning Commission Rules.

Ms. Stiteler presented the proposed changes to the Planning Commission Rules that had been discussed at the Commission's March, 2013 retreat. The changes add further specificity to how the Planning Commission will receive verbal testimony at meetings and public hearings. Ms. Stiteler stated that the proposed changes to the Rules were reviewed and approved by the City Attorney. The Planning Commission approved the proposed changes with one edit to Section I. H. as follows:

Time and Length of Meetings. Planning Commission meetings are scheduled to begin at 7:00 p.m. and continue no later than 10:00 p.m.

The proposed changes are scheduled for Council approval on March 18, 2014.

8. Reports/Scheduling/Topics for Next Meeting

Ms. Stiteler stated that she presented a staff report to the City Council the previous evening on the Housing-Related Amendment Package that the Planning Commission approved at their December 10, 2013 meeting. She indicated that the City Council requested an additional staff report on the amendments prior to taking action.

9. Adjourn

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 8:40 p.m.

Summary prepared by:

Sarah Stiteler, Senior Planner / Planning Commission Staff Liaison