

**AM No. 10-033**

MEMO TO: John Marchione, Mayor  
City Council

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SUBJECT: **STAFF REPORT: BUDGETING BY PRIORITIES (BP)**

As a follow-up to the discussion with Council on February 2 regarding the City's Budgeting by Priorities (BP) process, below is an explanation of a few of the upcoming events Council should be aware of.

On March 1, 2010, between 7:00-8:30 PM the City will host a community meeting to kick-off the 2011-2012 budgeting process. The community meeting will focus on the City's six priorities of:

- **Business Community** – *I want a diverse and vibrant range of businesses and services in Redmond*
- **Clean and Green Environment** – *I want to live, learn, work and play in a clean and green environment*
- **Community Building** – *I want a sense of community and connections with others*
- **Infrastructure and Growth** – *I want a well-maintained city whose transportation and other infrastructure keeps pace with growth*
- **Safety** – *I want to be safe where I live, work and play*
- **Responsible Government** – *I want a city government that is responsible and responsive to its residents*

At the meeting, the Mayor and City staff will give a brief presentation about Budgeting by Priorities and results achieved from the process used in 2008. The majority of the meeting will survey participants, using instant electronic voting technology, on their thoughts about City programs and services.

Prior to the Community meeting, Finance staff will touch base with the Public Administration and Finance Committee on the calendar of events detailing specific dates and times leading up to adoption of the budget in the fourth quarter of 2010.

If you have questions regarding these next steps or about the BP process in general, please call me at (x2160) or Malisa Files at (2166).