

Preserving and Sharing Redmond's History

Progress Update – January 2014

Planning staff work with property owners, the community, the Redmond Historical Society, and other City departments to continue and enhance the Historic Preservation program, which helps provide citizens a sense of shared history. The table below describes the type of actions taken since the last progress update, as well as specific progress made within each category.

Type of Action	Progress
Technical Assistance to Property Owners	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Continued to provide technical assistance to property owners and staff, including the Dudley Carter Haida House, the Farrel-McWhirter Farm hay barn, and the Brad Best Redmond State Bank building.• Staffed the review of a Level I Certificate of Appropriateness regarding the continued rehabilitation of the Haida House – security film applied to large glass windows on the front façade; Level II regarding modifications and preservation of the Farrel-McWhirter hay barn – extension of tack room into stalls and enclosure of southern façade for efficient use during City's pony program; and Level II regarding tenant improvements and preservation of the Brad Best Redmond State Bank building – exterior and interior modifications for use as a deli. Also continued to work with staff regarding the master planning for Downtown Park and the Cleveland Streetscape project taking place from 160th Avenue NE to 164th Avenue NE.• Coordinated with staff to develop a scope and schedule for the Old Town Historic Core Plan. The plan will address several aspects of the Historic Core in the vicinity of Leary Way from NE 76th Street to NE 80th Street as well as portions of Gilman Street, Cleveland Street, and Redmond Way. This project includes coordination with other projects related to Old Town: Cleveland Streetscape implementation, Central Connector implementation, Downtown Park Master Plan, and implementation of the City's Arts and Culture Plan.
Historic Landmark Nominations	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No nominations during this period.
Heritage Restoration and Preservation Grants	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No grants have been processed during this period.
Public Outreach	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Assisted the Redmond Historical Society with planning and promotion of the Downtown Historic Walking Tours in its 10th Anniversary season.• Updated materials used to promote landmark designation and the Heritage (Restoration and Preservation) Grant

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Other Activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coordinated with, and provided liaison support to the Redmond Historical Society. Worked with the RHS Board of Directors regarding implementation of a 2013-2014 City of Redmond grant to support the Society's cataloging of artifacts using an online system for future community access. • Strengthened a partnership with Cedar Lawns Memorial Park regarding the Redmond Pioneer Cemetery. Staff worked with Cedar Lawns management to provide a celebration of history with a barbeque, commemoration of Winfred W. Wallace (photographer who captured Redmond's pioneering activities and town development), and walking tour of the landmark cemetery on July 21, 2013. • Obtained grant support from Humanities WA for the September 15, 2013, Haunted History Walking Tours and Storytelling Event. This event was a partnership with the Redmond Historical Society, Old Town businesses, the Redmond Senior Center, and local storytellers, to help community members connect with history through an innovative and unique approach. • Obtained grant support from 4Culture for the 2014 Moonshine Series. Three to four events will take place from September to October, with promotion kicking off at the July 2014 Derby Days. Every event in the series will include art, poetry, dance, music, interpretation and reenactment, and walking tours focusing on events and stories leading up to Redmond's 1912 incorporation. A partnership with local businesses and artists, this series will help increase vibrancy in Old Town's historic core and economic tourism on behalf of Downtown businesses.