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TO: Planning Commission

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SUBJECT: RCDG Rewrite – Revision to Guiding Principles and Draft Consultant Summary Report

The purpose of this memo is to provide Commissioners information regarding feedback received from the various stakeholder groups that were given an opportunity to review and provide feedback on the draft RCDG rewrite principles. Staff is seeking input from the Planning Commission at your June 10 meeting to develop a final draft set of principles for Planning Commission's recommendation to the City Council. In addition, staff has attached the draft consultant summary report for Planning Commission review.

I. BACKGROUND

At the May 13th Planning Commission meeting, staff and the consultant provided an overview of the draft principles that will guide the rewrite of the Redmond Community Development Guide. These draft principles were written based upon the adopted mission statement for the RCDG rewrite and feedback received from the first round of stakeholder meetings. As stated previously, these principles will be used by the Code Rewrite Commission to guide the rewrite effort and will also be used when considering future amendments to the RCDG after the rewrite is complete.

The draft principles were presented to City staff, to the public at a second community stakeholder meeting held May 18th, and to the Design Review Board on May 21st.

II. REQUESTED ACTION

For this meeting, staff is seeking your input and recommendation to the City Council on the revised principles. Staff and the consultant team developed revisions to the principles based upon feedback received from the groups noted above, as well as the Planning Commission. The original draft principles, feedback and proposed revisions to the draft principles are summarized within Attachment A. The consultant's draft report summary is included as Attachment B. The report summary outlines the purpose of the rewrite project,

describes qualities of a successful code, and provides an overview of recommendations as to how Redmond can improve the code.

III. NEXT STEPS

Staff, together with the Planning Commission Chair, is scheduled to present the Planning Commission recommended principles at a Council study session on June 16, 2009. The Council is scheduled to approve the principles June 23, 2009.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A: Summary of Original and Revised Principles

Attachment B: Consultant Draft Report Summary