REDMOND CITY COUNCIL
PLANNING AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE/SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
Thursday, December 6, 2010
Meeting Summary

Council
Kim Allen, Chair
Pat Vache
David Carson
Richard Cole *(Attending Council Member)*

Staff
Bill Campbell, Public Works Director
Rob Odle, Planning and Land Use Director
Lori Peckol, Planning Policy Manager
Cathy Beam, Principal Planner
Lynda Aparicio, Senior Planner
Sarah Stiteler, Senior Planner
Thara Johnson, Associate Planner
Joel Pfundt, Transportation Principal Planner
Carl McArthy, Code Enforcement Officer
Michelle M. McGehee, CMC, City Clerk

Convened: 4 p.m. Adjourned: 5:04 p.m.

Chair Kim Allen opened the meeting and overviewed the agenda.

Zoning Code Rewrite Status Update

Ms. Lynda Aparicio, Senior Planner; Ms. Thara Johnson, Associate Planner; and Mr. Carl McArthy, Code Enforcement Officer, provided a report to the members of the Committee regarding:

- renaming of the zoning code test drive to 'Zoning Code Evaluation Plan";
- the list of code rewrite 'parking lot' items to be prioritized by the Planning Commission and submitted to the City Council in the final transmittal package;
- post transmittal: the Code Rewrite Commission will be done with their task;
- six topics to be reviewed in the Development Standards III package;
- education for businesses related to the placement of sandwich board signs in the City;
- eighteen topics to be discussed in the Final Development Standards package;
- administrative modification of the zoning code appendix;
- standards for parking lot islands; and
- the final schedule of distribution to the City Council for their consideration.

Planning Department Upcoming Issues Preview

Ms. Lori Peckol, Planning Policy Manager; Mr. Eric McConaghy, Associate Planner; and Ms. Sarah Stiteler, Senior Planner, provided a report to the members of the Committee regarding upcoming issues for the months of December 2010 through April 2011. Items discussed included:

- 2030 Growth Target updates;

- Growth Targets supporting the vision of growth in the City;
- citizen input gathered from the 'Livable Redmond' event with regard to Comprehensive Plan updates;
- six principal statements of sustainability; and
- whether or not there is a growing rate of citizens that work in Redmond but cannot afford to live here.

2011 Preview of Public Works Issues

Mr. Bill Campbell, Public Works Director, provided a report to the members of the Committee with regard to upcoming public works issues. Items discussed included:

- sewer in unsewered areas;
- King County hazardous waste and solid waste plans;
- Capital Improvement Project updates;
- a future report regarding the project needs of the Transportation Master Plan;
- monitoring of the Downtown East-West Corridor Study; and
- an enhancement grant for the Redmond Central Connector project – the City has been awarded $2.3 million in federal transportation enhancement and the trail will be built from the Sammamish River Trail to the Bear Creek Trail.

FEMA Flood Zone Update – Mandated Code Changes

Ms. Cathy Beam, Principal Planner, provided a report to the members of the Committee noting that in order to be federally supported for flood insurance, local governments have agreed to regulate development in their floodplains in accordance with the program's criteria. The City of Redmond has been identified as a Tier 3 Community, which means the City needs to be in full compliance with the Biological Opinion issued by September 23, 2011. The City intends to enact regulations consistent with the model ordinance and will integrate the requirements into both the Redmond Community Development Guide and Municipal Code as appropriate; a critical areas ordinance development guide amendment would be needed. Ms. Beam overviewed the key changes necessary for compliance.