

Welcome to the third quarterly newsletter about the 2010-2011 Update to the Comprehensive Plan! Read on for the latest news regarding recent and upcoming Update activities.

Redmond continues the review and update of the Comprehensive Plan in order to add and refine sustainability concepts as well as to reflect City actions or studies since the last update in 2004. Other changes in conditions, new requirements of the Growth Management Act or regional plans since 2004 will also be included as part of the Update.

Sustainability, defined as meeting the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs, is the overarching theme of the Update. Read more on this topic on the other side of this newsletter.

This periodic update to the Comprehensive Plan will enable Redmond to thrive according to the community’s vision through 2030. In addition, the City’s Transportation Master Plan is being updated in 2011.

Status Update—Review to date

The Comprehensive Plan is made up of elements, or chapters. Each element is dedicated to one significant aspect of Redmond. The Planning Commission has been reviewing about one element per month since last September, in order to accomplish the overall update of the entire Plan by the end of this year.

The Planning Commission reviews and recommends updates for each element to the City Council. To date, Planning Commission has reviewed and recommended updates for the following:

Initial Review and Recommendation of Updates Completed (Package One)

- Annexation and Regional Planning
- Neighborhoods (Introduction to the element)
- Planning, Implementation and Evaluation
- Human Services
- Goals, Vision, Framework
- Land Use
- Transportation
- Urban Centers

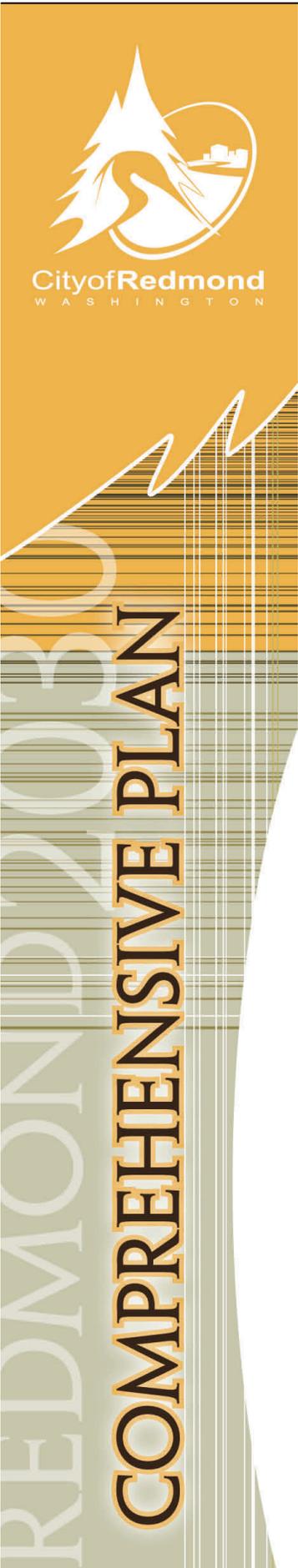
What’s Next? Upcoming Review of Elements

We encourage you to participate! One of the key ways to participate is by providing feedback during Planning Commission review. As each element is reviewed by the Planning Commission, there will be public hearings with opportunity to provide comments, both orally and in writing.

Upcoming schedule for Comprehensive Plan Updates activities*

Plan Elements	Planning Commission Review	City Council Action
Package One	Complete	May 10 and 24: Study Sessions June 21: Intent to Adopt
• Housing • Economic Vitality • Community Character and Historic Preservation	Study Session: May 25 Public Hearing: June 8	Fall 2011: Package Two Review and Intent to Adopt
• Utilities • Capital Facilities	Study Session: June 22 Public Hearing: July 13	Fall 2011: Package Two Review and Intent to Adopt
• Parks, Arts, Recreation, Culture and Conservation	Study Session: July 13 Public Hearing: July 20	Fall 2011: Package Two Review and Intent to Adopt
• Natural Environment and <i>limited</i> Shoreline Master Plan Amendment	Study Session: July 20 Public Hearing: July 27	Fall 2011: Package Two Review and Intent to Adopt
• PC Review of unresolved issues, including keeping chickens/small animal husbandry	September –October 2011	Late 2011: Adoption of 2010-2011 Update to the Comprehensive Plan

**Dates may change—please check the Planning Commission page of the City’s website: www.redmond.gov/PlanningCommission*



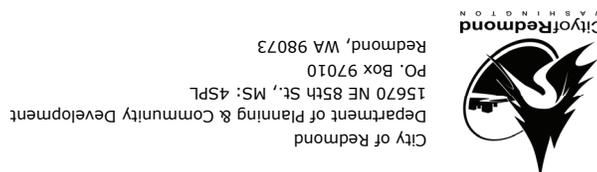
Livable Redmond: A Community Conversation about Sustainability

In November 2011, Redmond hosted a successful, community conversation on sustainability. The purpose of the event was to ask people who live, work, shop or recreate in Redmond to share their ideas about what sustainability means to Redmond. Participants cited a number of characteristics that were summarized into six “Sustainability Principles” approved by City Council in January 2011. These principles inform work on updates to the Comprehensive Plan and Transportation Master Plan as well as Redmond’s sustainability initiatives as a whole. **Redmond’s Sustainability Principles:**

- Having a shared community identity that is special and unique, based on Redmond’s beautiful natural environment, its vibrant employment areas and diverse community of residents.
- Having equitable access to goods, services and employment.
- Having housing choices that are accessible to residents with various incomes, ages and abilities.
- Valuing environmental quality, and supporting choices that minimize impacts to the environment.
- Recognizing the importance of community awareness, education and engagement.
- Having a strong local economy.

For more info go to www.redmond.gov/LivableRedmond.

Thank You! We thank you for your continued interest and encourage your participation in the review of these elements. The Comprehensive Plan is the path to the City’s future endeavors, and your input is vital!



The Planning Commission meets at 7 p.m. most Wednesday evenings in the City Hall Council Chambers, 15670 NE 85th Street, Redmond. All Commission meetings are open to the public and are cablecast live on RCTV on Comcast 21/Frontier 34 and streamed live and archived for “on demand” viewing at www.redmond.gov/RCTV. In addition to seeking comments through public hearings, the Commission reserves up to 15 minutes at the beginning of each meeting for public comment. Comments can be provided in person or in writing:

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