

**City of Redmond Planning Commission**  
**Annual Retreat/Business Meeting**  
**March 3, 2010 Meeting Summary**  
**Matt's Rotisserie Restaurant**  
**16551 NE 74<sup>th</sup> Street**  
**Redmond, Washington**

**Planning Commissioners in Attendance:**

All present: Chair Charlie McCarthy, Vice Chair Tom Hinman, Scott Biethan, Franz Wiechers-Gregory, Passion Julinsey (just completed term on Code Rewrite Commission), Phil Miller, Robert O'Hara

**Also Present:** Vibhas Chandorkar, currently serving in the capacity as Code Rewrite Commissioner

**Planning Commissioners Excused:**

Thom Youngblood

**Staff in Attendance:**

Sarah Stiteler, Gary Lee, Lynda Aparicio and Jean Rice, Parks and Recreation Department

**Call to Order:**

Commission Chair Charlie McCarthy called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

**Approval of the Agenda:**

The agenda was approved with no changes.

**Items from the Audience**

Todd Woosley, representing PS Business Parks, made comments about the Code Rewrite process and the Overlake neighborhood, particularly the proposed location of the Sound Transit light rail station. He stated that he favors the station location on the south side of SR 520, further north on 152<sup>nd</sup> Avenue NE.

**Briefing, Redmond Community Development Guide Code Rewrite**

Lynda Aparicio, Senior Planner provided an update to the Planning Commission on the latest work on the Code Rewrite Commission (CRC). The CRC is completing review of the Administration and Procedures package this month. They will review the Environmental Regulations, and the Residential and Urban Recreation Zones from March to May, 2010. Lynda also noted the need to fill the soon to be vacant position for the Planning Commission representative on the CRC.

**Report and Discussion: Redmond's Urban Centers**

Gary Lee, Senior Planner, gave a PowerPoint presentation with a discussion of projects underway and planned in Downtown. Jean Rice, Senior Management Analyst for Parks Administration discussed the planning and public participation process for the Downtown Park and how that fits into the overall plan for the area. The Planning Commission noted that they would like to have periodic briefings to update them on Downtown and Overlake activities.

Tom Hinman facilitated a discussion about current and planned projects in the Overlake area.

**Schedule for 2010:**

Sarah Stiteler, Senior Planner reviewed the Planning Commission's extended work program for 2010 and 2011. She noted that there would be more detail provided when the schedule for the review of Comprehensive Plan elements was determined for the 2010-2011 Comprehensive Plan Update.

**Reports:**

Robert O'Hara discussed the New Partners for Smart Growth Conference that he recently attended in Seattle in February. He stated that the conference was extremely well attended with well over 2,000 attendees, and had a diversity of professional disciplines and geographic areas represented. He said that the sessions were very informative and that it was a great opportunity to consider a wide range of concepts relating to smart growth.

**Election of Officers:**

Vice Chair Tom Hinman was nominated for the position of Chair. No other nominations were received. The vote was unanimous for Mr. Hinman as the new Chair.

Two nominations were received for the position of Vice-Chair: Franz Wiechers-Gregory and Robert O'Hara. A vote by ballot determined that Franz Wiechers-Gregory will be the new Vice-Chair.

Chair McCarthy discussed when the turnover of officers would take place. The Commission agreed that the new Chair and Vice Chair positions would be in effect after the last scheduled meeting of March 24<sup>th</sup>, with effective date for positions on March 25, 2010.

**Adjourn:**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.