

**REDMOND CITY COUNCIL
STUDY SESSION SUMMARY**

April 10, 2012

Mayor

John Marchione

Members of the Council

Pat Vache, President

Hank Margeson, Vice-President

Kim Allen

David Carson

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Staff

Rob Odle, Planning and Community Development
Director

Judd Black, Development Review Manager

Carolyn Hope, Senior Parks Planner

Gary Lee, Senior Planner

Erika Vandenbrande, TDM Program Manager

Mike Haley, Public Works Senior Engineer

Michelle M. McGehee, MMC, City Clerk

Convened: 7:30 p.m.

Adjourned: 8:27 p.m.

COUNCIL STUDY SESSION SUMMARY

Council President Pat Vache opened the Study Session and overviewed the agenda.

Leadership Eastside Update

Mr. James Whitfield, President, and Ms. Karin Duval, Managing Director, provided a report to the Mayor and Members of the Council regarding Leadership Eastside (LE) and their current curriculum.

The report addressed:

- “Leadership Redmond” - 1990 – 1994;
- City of Redmond and Redmond Chamber – started the collaboration;
- “Leadership Institute” - 1994 – 2003;
- Redmond residents who have graduated from LE; also Redmond employees and Council members;
- Where we are – equip, connect, and inform = improved eastside community;
- Equip- Updated Curriculum; adaptive leadership is the practice of mobilizing people to tackle through challenges and thrive; Year 1 – Learn It; Year 2 – Live It; Year 3 – Share It;
- 1st year – learning adaptive leadership;
- Connect – the LE Network; partner cities and organizations;
- Inform – State of the Eastside; actionable information for people who make decisions for our community; elements of a healthy community – working within those elements (arts and culture, basic needs, education, economy, health and wellness, environment, neighborhoods and community building);

- “State of the Eastside 2012 Report”;
- Leadership – there would be no Leadership Eastside if it hadn’t been for the support of the City of Redmond; and
- Defining an “Improved Community” – feedback/input welcome.

Discussion ensued regarding:

- the grading criteria for the State of the Eastside 2012 Report – how was it established?;
- work projects also participated in by LE;
- areas in the community and business community that may be underrepresented in LE; there is a need to look for diversity in leadership in the community;
- LE is looking at broad economic sectors to make sure those sectors are represented in their classes, including the technical sector;
- how LE messages out who the leaders in the community are;
- recruitment;
- regional partnerships with like groups; and
- how regional issues are placed in front of LE.

The application deadline for the next LE class is April 30, 2012. The project presentation schedule deadline is May 3, 2012. Information on both of these deadlines is available on the LE website at: <http://www.leadershipeastside.com>.

Redmond Central Connector Long-Term Temporary Parking Lot

Mr. Rob Odle, Planning and Community Development Director, noted that the parking lot was programmed through the last City budget. Discussions have been surrounding how to implement the parking lot in a more rapid fashion due to its connection to the Redmond Central Connector.

Discussion ensued regarding:

- creating a temporary parking lot that changes as the site evolves and will incorporate additional uses;
- conducting a public hearing on May 15, 2012, regarding the long-term temporary parking lot permit;
- the temporary parking lot will serve connector trail and downtown park;
- the long-term vision on the site sees more substantial uses – perhaps a performance arts center;
- a proposal to waive requirements for utility connection fees and parking lot trees;
- staff recommends the tree requirements be waived as the parameter is well treed/landscaped;
- planting of 35 trees around the parameter;
- deferring connection fees for utilities, not waiving them;
- addressing stormwater runoff through the Leary Way bioswale;
- accommodating electricity and water needs for events on the site;
- creating a welcoming and inviting space through this project as part of the Redmond Central Connector, as opposed to a traditional parking lot;
- building a seamless integration between the sidewalks and the connector;
- staging for other Downtown projects – where will this take place?;
- paving the parking lot by spring 2013;

- open space as it relates to the parking lot and ingress/egress;
- studies or data regarding how the parking lot will be used and what it will do to the Downtown; and
- enforced, paid parking at the lot.

Council Talk Time

Councilmember Margeson spoke regarding the Suburban Cities Association's Public Issues Committee (PIC) meeting to be held April 11, 2012. He noted the PIC will discuss:

- replacement/relocation of the juvenile justice center; and
- King County Flood Control District Advisory Committee – funding for the Seattle seawall, other community requests, and updating the flood plan.