

## MEMORANDUM

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### **PURPOSE**

This month's staff briefing on Redmond 2050 provides a general project update, including opportunities for community input on the topics of housing, economic vitality, transportation, and Overlake.

### **PROJECT UPDATE VIDEO**

This week the City published a Redmond 2050 video featuring a summary of community input over the past several months, how staff are incorporating that input into Redmond 2050, and inviting continued participation in the months to come. The video is narrated by Mayor Birney, Beverly Mesa-Zendt, and Ian Lefcourte and can be viewed at <https://youtu.be/u4eRnqYqNqY>.

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### SUMMER/FALL 2021 OUTREACH

#### Stakeholder Outreach

This summer City staff are focused on outreach on policy options and alternatives for housing, economic vitality, and transportation. Staff sought Redmond 2050 Community Advisory Committee and Planning Commission input on these topics in the late spring and early summer.

Specific outreach opportunities that have occurred or are scheduled include:

- 8/4: Redmond Zoning Code Rewrite Office Hours
- 8/5: Design Review Board & Landmark Commission
- 8/5: Meeting with City of Bellevue planning and transportation staff
- 8/7-8/8: Rockin' on the River
- 8/9: PBAC
- 8/11: Eastside long-range planners (representing nine local cities)
- 8/11: Consejo Counseling
- 8/11: Redmond Neighborhood Blog
- 8/11: Seniors Stakeholder Group
- 8/17: Together Center
- 8/26: Environmental Sustainability Advisory Committee
- 9/2: Parks & Trails Commission
- 9/2 RYPAC
- 9/9: Arts & Culture Commission
- 9/10-9/19: Welcoming Week
- 9/13: Human Services Commission
- 9/16: Senior Advisory Committee
- TBD: Library Board of Trustees
- TBD: Centro Cultural Mexicano
- Monthly: Redmond 2050 Community Advisory Committee
- TBD: Redmond 2050 Technical Advisory Committee

Staff has also contacted the following individuals or groups to invite participation:

- Lake Washington & Bellevue School Districts
- Homeowners Associations
- Muslim Community Resource Center
- India Association of Western Washington
- Chinese Information and Service Center
- New Korean Community Church
- Hopelink
- Community Court
- TBD: Disabilities Stakeholders group

#### Let's Connect Questionnaire

Staff is soliciting input through a new [Let's Connect](#) online questionnaire on housing, economic vitality, and transportation policy options & alternatives. The online questionnaire asks community members to identify policy preferences where two or more policy options or

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alternatives create tension points. Staff anticipates keeping the questionnaire live through mid-September.

**Community Workshops**

A series of workshops have been scheduled for community discussions on the housing, economic vitality, and transportation options & alternatives and other Redmond 2050 topics. Outreach for the Overlake and Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) updates is also underway, with a series of ‘Equity in our Built Environment’ workshops scheduled for August thru October. Many of these events will be offered as a lunch-and-learn with an evening alternative (same content), and most will be hybrid events with participation in person or online.

The tentative schedule for this series is:

Date	Topic
8/18	Policy options & alternatives: Housing & Economic Vitality
8/19	Equity in our Built Environment: Equitable, Sustainable, and Resilient Transit-Oriented Development (TOD)
8/25	Policy options & alternatives: Transportation options & alternatives
9/2	Overlake: Accommodating Growth in Overlake - zoning and land use changes (touch on Overlake as a Metro Center)
9/8	Equity in our Built Environment: Inclusive / Universal Design
9/16	Overlake: What do we want Overlake to look like? Should we formalize Overlake as an International District?
9/22	TBD
9/30	Equity in our Built Environment: General Needs of our Community; Services & Amenities Needs (including: What do families need in taller buildings?)
10/14	Overlake: Land uses & development standards for properties around light-rail stations

Childcare and refreshments will be offered at some events (will be advertised for events where applicable).

**NEXT STEPS**

Staff will share preliminary findings from summer outreach with the City Council at its September 21 regular business meeting and will seek input from the Council on policy options and alternatives at its September 28 study session.