

# REDMOND »»» 2050

## Themes & Policy Options

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Workshop

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# Planning Context



Comprehensive plans are the **centerpiece of local planning efforts**. A comprehensive plan articulates a series of **goals, objectives, policies, actions, and standards** that are intended to **guide the day-to-day decisions** of elected officials and local government staff.

# Redmond 2050: What We've Heard So Far

## What we asked:

- Where should growth go?
- What is important to keep?
- Where do we need to do better?
- What should new buildings look like?

## How we asked:

- Small & BIPOC business interviews
- Stakeholder focus groups & workshops
- Let's Connect questionnaires
- Map based feedback
- Utility inserts, newsletters, yard signs, virtual lobby



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# Redmond 2050 Themes



Subheading





## Equity & Inclusion



## Sustainability



## Resiliency

**Equity:** *The City provides all community members with equal and effective city services, resources, opportunities, and influence, so that all people achieve their full potential and thrive. Equity is a purposeful and eager journey toward well-being as defined by those most negatively affected.*

**Inclusion:** *The City treats all people respectfully; values all people for their distinctive skills, experiences, and perspectives; engages all people to contribute to the community's success; and leverages resources and city services where needed.*



Equity & Inclusion



Sustainability



Resiliency

***Meeting the needs of current and future generations and advancing environmental conservation, economic prosperity, and a high quality of life for all.***

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Equity & Inclusion



Sustainability



Resiliency

***Ensuring that the community as a whole is prepared for, able to adapt to, and can recover effectively from disruptive conditions.***

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Policy Options & Alternatives

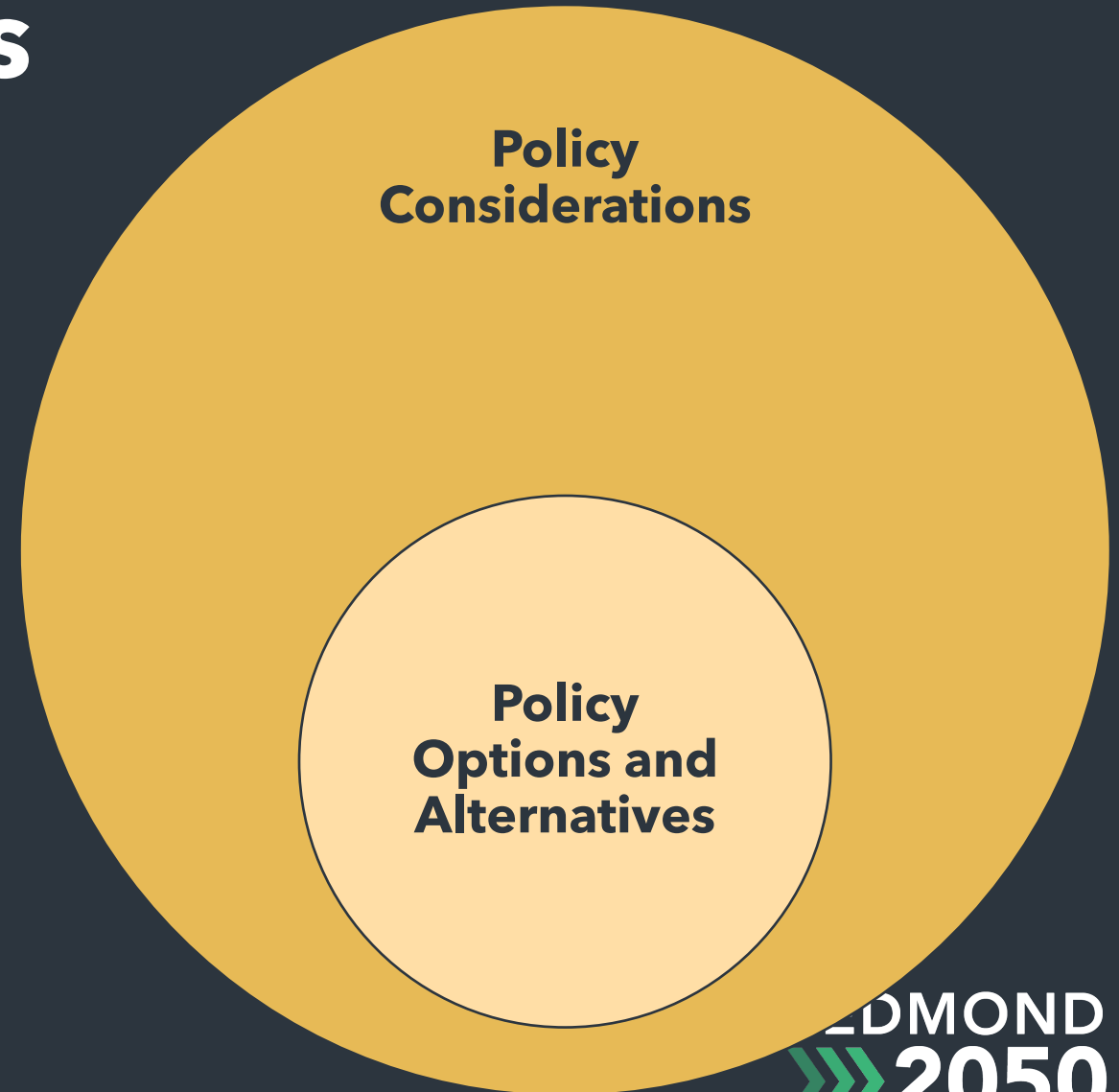
Housing, Transportation, Economic Vitality





# Policy Considerations

- Input from community
- Update outdated current Comprehensive Plan policies
- Regional and county requirements
- **Options and alternatives** are a subset of all policy considerations, where different strategies produce **different outcomes** or if **themes are in tension**
- **Which options/alternatives are best for Redmond?**



# Economic Vitality: Manufacturing Land Uses & Jobs

*To protect manufacturing land uses and jobs, do we increase flexibility or strengthen policy protections?*

## Traditional Manufacturing



## Supporting & Complementary Uses



Options:	Strengthen policy protections to prevent encroachment	Allow for flexibility to allow more supporting & complementary uses
Potential Strategies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pursue Industrial Center Designation in SE Redmond</li> <li>Limit Non-Industrial Uses</li> <li>Business Assistance for Key Industries</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adjust MP &amp; I policies for additional uses</li> <li>Flexibility Near Transit</li> <li>Expand Mixed Use Land Use Designations</li> </ul>
Equity & Inclusion	<i>Preserve legacy &amp; living wage jobs</i> <i>Price/sq ft manageable for MF land uses</i>	<i>Flexibility for emerging businesses</i> <i>Land may become less affordable</i>
Sustainability	n/a	n/a
Resiliency	<i>Provide clarity and long-term reassurance to businesses</i> <i>Preserve diverse land uses &amp; jobs</i>	<i>Flexibility provides for changes</i> <i>Retail can expand viability for some businesses (artisan/craft, small batch)</i> <i>Diversity of job types</i>

# Transportation: New Project and Program Priorities

Equal Weight



Prioritize High Comfort/Low Stress Facilities



Prioritize Access to Light Rail



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How should Redmond prioritize new mobility investments?

Options:	Distribute Across Priorities (1)	Target to High Comfort/Low Stress (2)	Target to Access to Light Rail (3)
Potential Strategies	Develop criteria and weight equally	Greater weight to comfort/stress	Greater weight to access to light rail
Equity & Inclusion	<i>Can be implemented in a pro-equity manner</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Potentially less geographic equity</li> <li>• More facilities attractive to all ages, abilities</li> </ul>	<i>Prioritizes access to light rail, improving equity and inclusion</i>
Sustainability	<i>Can be implemented in a pro-sustainability manner</i>	<i>Fewer facilities completed due to likely higher costs, but those that are may be attractive to more users</i>	<i>May shift mode share to transit</i>
Resiliency	<i>Can be implemented in a pro-resiliency manner</i>	<i>Similar to option 1</i>	<i>May improve resiliency by making light rail easier to reach during disruptive circumstances.</i>
Safety	<i>Can be implemented in a pro-safety manner</i>	<i>Prioritizes investments that have fewer modal conflicts, but fewer may be completed due to higher costs</i>	<i>Similar to option 1</i>

# Transportation: Balancing Transportation Investments

How should Redmond balance maintaining the transportation system is has with investing in new mobility improvements?

Options:	<u>System Maintenance</u> <b>Prioritize flexible sources for maintenance (1)</b>	<u>System Expansion and Improvement</u> <b>Prioritize flexible sources for new mobility improvements (2)</b>
Potential Strategies	Invest flexible revenue sources (those not earmarked for certain types of investments) into maintenance. Note that flexible sources typically in high demand because they are flexible.	Invest flexible revenue sources (those not earmarked for certain types of investments) into new mobility improvements. Note that flexible sources typically in high demand because they are flexible.
Equity & Inclusion	Benefits users of existing system relative to option 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Benefits users of new connections relative to option 1. Positively impacts broader economic cross section of population.</li> </ul>
Sustainability	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>May slow completion of new infrastructure, potentially slowing growth in travel demand</li> <li>Likely to slow completion of mode-shifting projects</li> <li>Maintains economic benefits of existing infrastructure.</li> <li>Slower growth of system maintenance costs.</li> <li>Regular maintenance tends to reduce frequency of major rehabilitations and associated costs.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Faster completion of new transportation infrastructure, potentially increasing growth in vehicle travel demand and associated environmental impacts</li> <li>Likely to accelerate completion of mode-shifting projects and associated environmental benefits.</li> <li>System expansions may unlock economic opportunity through new access</li> <li>Faster growth of system maintenance costs relative to option 1.</li> </ul>
Resiliency	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Improves resiliency of existing infrastructure more quickly relative to option 2</li> <li>Slows ability to complete projects, some of which would add system redundancy</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Improves resiliency of existing infrastructure more slowly relative to option 1.</li> <li>Speeds ability to complete projects, some of which would add redundancy to system.</li> </ul>
Safety	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Improves safety of existing infrastructure more quickly relative to option 2.</li> <li>Slows ability to complete projects, some of which would have safety components</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Improves safety of existing infrastructure more slowly relative to option 1.</li> <li>Speeds ability to complete projects, some of which would have safety components.</li> </ul>
Other	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Some revenue sources cannot be used for maintenance or preservation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Same as option 1.</li> </ul>