



# REDMOND ZONING CODE REWRITE—PHASE 2 TRANSPORTATION REGULATIONS



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**High Capacity Transit corridor preservation.** Staff proposes to repeal RZC 21.28 because light rail is under construction and there is no longer a need to preserve land for the light rail extension to Redmond.

**Reducing or eliminating minimum off-street parking requirements.** These amendments would reduce the amount of required off-street parking in Downtown, Marymoor Village, Overlake, and elsewhere near frequent transit. The objectives are to improve transportation system sustainability, protect City's drinking water supply, increase opportunities for housing, especially affordable housing, and increase opportunities for jobs and other amenities.

**Other parking-related proposals** are to authorize paid on-street parking in the Redmond Municipal Code, regulate the distribution of compact stalls in mixed-use developments, end the fee-in-lieu-of parking program, and align off-site vehicle and long-term bicycle parking requirements. These changes are intended to improve access to businesses, incentivize non-motorized travel, and improve the attractiveness of bicycle travel.

**Pedestrian, bicycle, and transit facilities.** Staff proposes to strengthen the review criteria for closures of sidewalks and bicycle lanes, ensure a basic minimum sidewalk width of five feet, ensure that transit stop facilities are provided where future transit is planned, increase financial incentives in transportation management programs for those who choose not to drive alone, and make minor changes to adopted plan references.

Finally, staff proposes to make **minor miscellaneous updates**, the most significant of which is to add references to Marymoor Village where they were inadvertently omitted in 2017.



High capacity transit corridor preservation regulations are no longer needed with light rail under construction. Photo credit: Sound Transit



Code revisions would require a five-foot-wide path clear of all obstructions on sidewalks.

Topic	Current Code	Preliminary Draft	Stakeholder Comments (August 2022)	Refined Draft
High Capacity Transit Corridor Preservation	RZC 21.28	Repeal chapter because it is no longer needed.	None.	No change since preliminary draft.
Parking ratios and other parking-related proposals	RZC 21.10.120, 21.12.110, 21.13.180, 21.40.010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reduce or eliminate minimum off-street parking in centers and near frequent transit.</li> <li>Authorize paid on-street parking.</li> <li>Regulate the distribution of compact stalls in mixed-use developments.</li> <li>End the fee-in-lieu-of parking program.</li> <li>Align off-site vehicle and long-term bicycle parking requirements.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consider revising on-site bicycle parking requirements also.</li> <li>Concern about restricting eligibility for monthly on-street parking permits.</li> <li>Support for more market-based approach to parking requirements.</li> </ul>	Eliminated proposal to restrict eligibility for monthly on-street parking permits.
Pedestrian, bicycle, and transit facilities	RZC 21.17.010.F, 21.52.020.D, 21.52.030.F, 21.60.020.E, 21.60.020.G, 21.62.020.I	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Strengthen review criteria for closures of sidewalks and bicycle lanes</li> <li>Ensure a basic minimum sidewalk width of five feet</li> <li>Ensure transit stop facilities are provided where future transit is planned</li> <li>Increase financial incentives in transportation management programs for those who choose not to drive alone, and make minor changes to adopted plan references.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Extend amendments to review criteria for sidewalk closures to bicycle lane closures.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Extended amendments to review criteria for sidewalk closures to bicycle lane closures.</li> </ul>
Minor miscellaneous updates	RZC 21.17.010.F, 21.52.010, 21.52.020.C, 21.52.030.C	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Add references to Marymoor Village where inadvertently omitted.</li> <li>Update concurrency language for consistency with state law.</li> <li>Remove figure related to street standards – move to TMP.</li> </ul>	None.	No change since preliminary draft.

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