

Annexation and Regional Planning Policies Draft 1.0

- No narrative or graphics included in this draft.
- Policies have been re-numbered. “FW” means Framework Policy.

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Regional Planning Policies					
FW-48	Develop and support regional policies, strategies and investments that reflect the vision and policies of the Redmond Comprehensive Plan. Achieve local goals and values by participating fully in implementation of the Growth Management Act, VISION 2040, and the King County Countywide Planning Policies.	Updated (FW-48)	FW-AR-1	Develop and support regional policies, strategies, and investments that reflect the vision and policies of the Redmond Comprehensive Plan. Achieve local goals and values by promoting the implementation of the Growth Management Act, VISION 2050, and the King County Countywide Planning Policies.	Framework Policy focused on implementing regional planning goals
FW-49	Work with other jurisdictions and agencies, educational and other organizations, and the business community to develop and carry out a coordinated, regional approach for meeting the various needs of Eastside communities, including housing, human services, economic vitality, parks and recreation, transportation, and environmental protection.	Updated (FW-49)	FW-AR-2	Collaborate with jurisdictions, agencies, and organizations to develop and implement a coordinated, regional approach for meeting the needs of Eastside communities.	Framework Policy focused on regional collaboration

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A-1	Work cooperatively at all levels in the region to carry out the Redmond Comprehensive Plan. Accomplish this by supporting the Puget Sound Regional Council, the Growth Management Planning Council and other regional bodies to ensure that Redmond's interests in long-term regional planning are represented and that the city can take into account the interests of other jurisdictions in its own long-term planning.	Updated (A-1)	A-1	Work cooperatively in the region to carry out the Redmond Comprehensive Plan. Support the Puget Sound Regional Council, the Growth Management Planning Council, and other regional bodies to ensure that Redmond's interests in long-term regional planning are represented	Regional planning
A-2	Develop interlocal agreements where development within the Potential Annexation Area will require Redmond public facilities or services.	Existing (A-2)	A-2	Develop interlocal agreements where development within the Potential Annexation Area will require Redmond public facilities or services.	Upgrade to infrastructure in PAAs
A-3	Pursue with King County, through interlocal agreements or other means, upgrades to deficient roads and bridges that will become the City's responsibility upon annexation.	Updated (A-3) and New	A-3	Pursue with King County, through interlocal agreements or other means, upgrades to deficient roads and bridges that will become the City's responsibility upon annexation. Establish timeframes for annexation of roadways and shared streets that are still under King County's jurisdiction.	Upgrades to road infrastructure and Implements King County CPP DP-25 (Orphan roads)
n/a	n/a	New	A-4	Establish with King County pre-annexation agreements that identify mutual interests and ensure coordinated planning and compatible development until annexation is feasible.	Implements King County CPP DP-27
A-4	Track development that will result in impacts within Redmond that must be mitigated by City of Redmond improvements and participate with other jurisdictions in developing conditions for approval.	Updated (A-4)	A-5	Monitor proposed development that will result in impacts to the City of Redmond and collaborate with other jurisdictions to develop conditions for approval.	Monitor multi-jurisdictional projects

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A-5	Identify preferred land uses in the Comprehensive Plan for the Potential Annexation Area. Provide opportunities for comment from King County and neighboring jurisdictions when proposing major changes.	Eliminated: pre-annexation zoning exists		n/a	
A-6	Coordinate with nearby jurisdictions in developing capital improvement programs and studies addressing multi-jurisdictional issues.	Updated (A-6)	A-6	Coordinate with nearby jurisdictions in developing consistent comprehensive plans as well as capital improvement programs and studies addressing multi-jurisdictional issues.	
A-7	Monitor, review, comment and otherwise proactively attempt to mitigate or participate in major projects or programs of King County, Bellevue, Bothell, Kirkland, Issaquah, Woodinville, Sammamish, Washington State agencies, and other jurisdictions or agencies when the project or program has potential to affect the City of Redmond. Likewise, provide notification to others when Redmond's plans or programs may affect them to give them the same opportunity.	Updated (A-7)	A-7	Participate in the review of major projects of nearby jurisdictions or agencies that have potential to affect the City of Redmond. Provide others the same opportunities to participate in the review of Redmond plans or programs.	Regional planning and collaboration
Annexation Policies					
FW-50	Work cooperatively with residents and property owners to annex all land within the designated Potential Annexation Area.	Updated (FW-50)	FW-AR-3	Work cooperatively with residents and property owners to annex land within Redmond's Potential Annexation Area	Framework policy focused on annexation

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A-8	Pursue actively the annexation of all land within the Potential Annexation Area (PAA) in collaboration with residents or property owners within the PAA and concurrently adjust growth targets between the City and the County	Updated (A-8 and A-9)	A-8	Pursue the annexation of all land within the Potential Annexation Area (PAA) by providing property owners and residents with all necessary support. Concurrently adjust growth targets between the City and King County.	Annexation
A-9	Provide all necessary City of Redmond support to annexation efforts.	Eliminated (Consolidated in A-8)		n/a	
A-10	Require annexation prior to extending utility service to unincorporated areas except for the following cases: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Where Redmond is required to serve due to preexisting service agreements; or • Where an individual well or septic failure occurs, immediate annexation is not possible or expedient, and the property owner is willing to sign an agreement to annex the property in a timely manner. 	Existing (A-10)	A-9	Require annexation prior to extending utility service to unincorporated areas except for the following cases: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Where Redmond is required to serve due to preexisting service agreements; or • Where an individual well or septic failure occurs, immediate annexation is not possible or expedient, and the property owner is willing to sign an agreement to annex the property in a timely manner 	Utility service extension to unincorporated areas
A-11	Use easily identified landmarks for boundaries, such as streets, streams, and permanent physical features; strive to retain neighborhood integrity in adjusting Potential Annexation Area boundaries	Updated (A-11, A-15, A-16)	A-10	Require that individual annexation proposals have logical boundaries, strive to maintain neighborhood integrity, and avoid creating islands of unincorporated land.	Boundaries of individual annexations

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A-12	<p>Focus annexation efforts south of NE 124th Way/NE 128th Street and promote expeditious annexation of unincorporated land within Redmond's Potential Annexation Area by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Waiving annexation application fees. • Encouraging joint applications. • Prohibiting extension of sewer service into unincorporated areas (with exceptions as noted in this element); • Identifying environmentally constrained areas prior to annexation for inclusion in the City's sensitive area ordinance. • Involving potential future residents in neighborhood plans. • Ensuring consistency with Redmond's Comprehensive Plan; and • Adopting pre-annexation zoning 	<p>Eliminated: recognizes that nearly all annexation south of 124th/128th is complete.</p>		n/a	

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A-13	Require developers to construct or fund public facilities to serve that development and require owners to construct or pay for health and safety improvements related to their property for newly annexed areas. Consider using capital facilities funding as a supplement or instead of owner or developer funding if a citywide benefit can be shown for public facility improvements for those areas.	Updated (A-13)	A-12	For newly annexed areas, require developers to construct or fund public facilities to serve the development and require owners to construct or pay for health and safety improvements related to their property.	Infrastructure improvements
A-14	Ensure that newly annexed territory accepts its equitable share of the City's bonded indebtedness.	Existing (A-14)	A-13	Ensure that newly annexed territory accepts its equitable share of the City's bonded indebtedness .	Bonded indebtedness
A-15	Require to the extent practical that individual annexation proposals have logical boundaries that include streets, natural topographical breaks, streams and other physical features.	Eliminated (Consolidated in A-11)		n/a	
A-16	Avoid individual annexations that create islands of unincorporated land.	Eliminated (Consolidated in A-11)		n/a	

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A-17	Review the right-of-way issues prior to defining boundaries of individual annexations to determine logical inclusions or exclusions, including review of the following issues: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Whether the right-of-way will be needed for eventual provision of utilities or transportation links. • Whether there are preexisting utilities from a particular district or jurisdiction already in a right-of-way. • Whether streets or bridges are in a safe condition. • Whether assumption of a section of a regional arterial will produce an unfair burden for maintenance and expansion on the City. 	Existing (A-17), moved up for consistency. New number A-11	A-11	Review right-of-way issues prior to defining boundaries of individual annexations to determine logical inclusions or exclusions, including review of the following issues: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Whether the right-of-way will be needed for eventual provision of utilities or transportation links. • Whether there are preexisting utilities from a particular district or jurisdiction already in a right-of-way. • Whether streets or bridges are in a safe condition. • Whether assumption of a section of a regional arterial will produce an unfair burden for maintenance and expansion on the city. 	Boundaries of individual annexations
Urban Growth Area Policies					
A-18	Support preservation of the existing Urban Growth Area (UGA) near Redmond except for changes supporting the annexation of municipally owned facilities such as parks. Participate and collaborate with King County and the other cities on UGA issues	Existing (A-18)	A-14	Support preservation of the existing Urban Growth Area (UGA) near Redmond except for changes supporting the annexation of municipally owned facilities such as parks. Participate and collaborate with King County and the other cities on UGA issues.	UGA preservation
A-19	Support permanent protection of designated rural and agricultural lands outside of the Urban Growth Area, including the Bear and Evans Creeks floodplains, wetlands and salmon habitats.	Updated (A-19)	A-15	Support permanent protection of designated rural and agricultural lands outside of the Urban Growth Area.	Agricultural land preservation

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A-20	<p>Protect equestrian uses to the east of the City of Redmond by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accommodating growth by encouraging such things as redevelopment and more compact development within the current Urban Growth Area (UGA), thus reducing pressure to expand the UGA and ensuring that lands to the east remain rural. • Working with King County on the development and preservation of the trails systems for equestrian use, especially those connecting with existing Redmond trails 	<p>Eliminated: UGA preservation is addressed elsewhere; trail connections would be better addressed in PARCC Plan</p>		n/a	