

**REDMOND CITY COUNCIL
PLANNING AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
MEETING SUMMARY**

Council Conference Room
15670 NE 85th Street, Redmond, Washington

Tuesday, April 12, 2016

Council

Hank Myers, Chair
Byron Shutz, Member
John Stilin, Member
Kim Allen (*Attending Council Member*)
Angela Birney (*Attending Council Member*)
David Carson (*Attending Council Member*)
Hank Margeson (*Attending Council Member*)

Staff

Nina Rivkin, Chief Policy Advisor
Linda De Boldt, Public Works Director
Jay Kelley, Senior Engineer
Joel Pfundt, Principal Planner
Peter Dane, Planner
Lynn Arakaki, Senior Engineer
Lisa Singer, Senior Engineer
Jeanne Justice, Engineering Supervisor
Jason Rogers, Senior Planner
Rob Odle, Director of Planning and Community
Development
Don Cairns, Engineering Manager
Cheryl Xanthos, Deputy City Clerk

Convened: 4:30 p.m.

Adjourned: 5:26 p.m.

Committee Chair Hank Myers called the meeting to order, reviewed attendance, and overviewed the agenda.

Adoption of 2015 Building Codes

Mr. Jay Kelley, Senior Engineer, stated that the City is required to update various codes, due to state changes. Code references will need to be reviewed to make sure they are in compliance. The changes will go into effect in July 2016.

General discussion ensued regarding changes due to building safety; effect on contractors and developers; and Fire Code changes.

Sound Transit 3 Draft System Plan

Mr. Joel Pfundt, Principal Planner, stated that Sound Transit released the Draft System Plan on March 24, 2016. Public comment goes through April 24, 2016, and a community meeting will be held on April 27, 2016. A letter will be prepared for the Council to send to Sound Transit. Sound Transit will attend the May 3, 2016, Council meeting, and provide a staff report. The Sound Transit Board will approve the final system plan in June 2016, in preparation for a November 2016, public vote.

General discussion ensued regarding the format of the system plan; survey results; maintaining subarea equity; and transit service funding.

Safe Routes to School Design Contract

Mr. Peter Dane, Planner, stated that this contract will come to the Council at the May 3, 2016, regular business meeting. There are two projects that have received grant funding for safe routes to school, and there will be a City match to build bike lanes in the two locations.

General discussion ensued regarding costs; placing on the consent agenda; and a separate construction contract.

Lake Washington School District Property Annexation

Mr. Jason Rogers, Senior Planner, stated that due to a paperwork processing error, the Lake Washington School District property annexation will need to go back to the Council for approval. A public hearing is scheduled for May 17, 2016.

General discussion ensued regarding approval of the annexation after the public hearing.

Couplet Two-Way Conversion Update

Ms. Lisa Singer, Senior Engineer, stated that at the May 3, 2016, regular business meeting: the Council will be asked to award the bid for construction of the project; approve a consultant agreement for managing the construction project and coordination with private developments; and a staff report will be provided regarding a temporary road closure for construction.

General discussion ensued throughout regarding elements included in the contract for the construction of the project; road closures and access to businesses; traffic signs and reader boards; and providing information on the Redmond radio station.

Sewer Service Outside Limits for Buck Property

Ms. Lynn Arakaki, Senior Engineer, stated that the City recently received a request for sewer service outside the City limits. This item will go to the full Council for approval at the May 17, 2016, regular business meeting. This property is experiencing a failing septic system. The Technical Committee will recommend approval of the utility services agreement with conditions.

General discussion ensued regarding annexation of the entire area.

Facilities Strategic Plan Update

Ms. Jeanne Justice, Engineering Supervisor, provided an update on the Facilities Strategic Plan:

- nearing completion of Phase I;
- Council study session on April 26, 2016;
- Council existing facilities field trip;
- finalizing guiding principles;

- Vision workshops; and
- ongoing pool maintenance.

Stormwater Rate Credits

Ms. Justice stated that staff is proposing to revamp the stormwater billing credit system, where credits are given to companies that provide public benefit by creating onsite stormwater treatment systems that is privately funded and maintained. The credit changes will reflect current stormwater management techniques; provide a more equitable distribution; the system will be simplified; and to correct inconsistencies. A change in the stormwater code will be required. The Council will be provided with alternatives.

General discussion ensued regarding encouraging the building of systems; residential single-family charges; and reaching out to stakeholders.

King County Willowmoor Project Update

Ms. Justice stated that the Willowmoor Project:

- is the area of transition to the Sammamish River;
- salmon habitat will be enhanced;
- helps prevent flooding;
- helps keep the lake level from going too low;
- a majority of stakeholders would like to see the improvements;
- \$4,000,000 was recently added to the project;
- the City has an interest in keeping the lake level maintained including preventing downtown flooding and problems with the aquifers;
- the City of Bellevue has issued a letter agreeing with the split-channel alternative; and
- Redmond City staff is also completing a letter of support.

General discussion ensued regarding the other alternatives; impact to City wells; maintaining temperatures in side channels; Tosh Creek project; impacts to the widening of West Lake Sammamish Parkway; partnering with the Flood District; public access to the area; and the importance of Bellevue's letter.