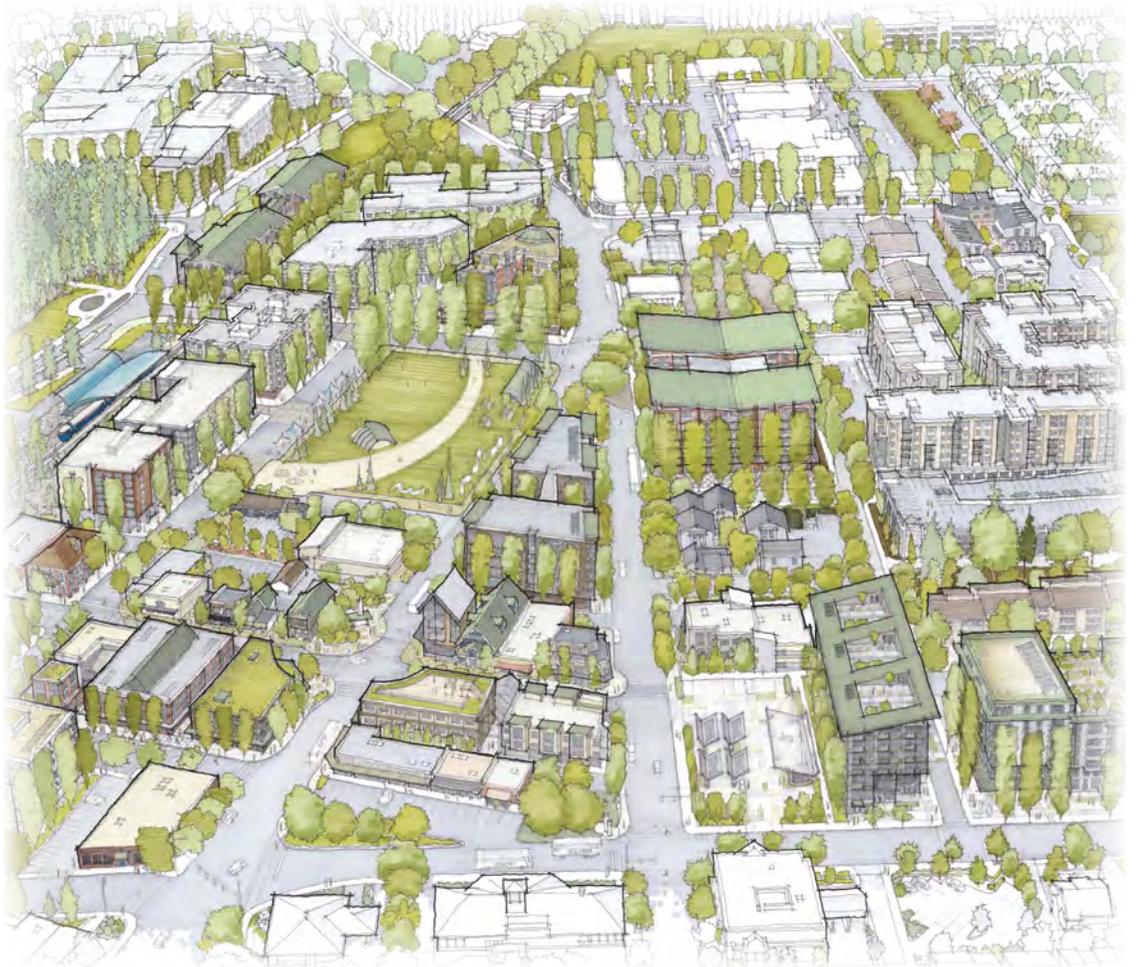




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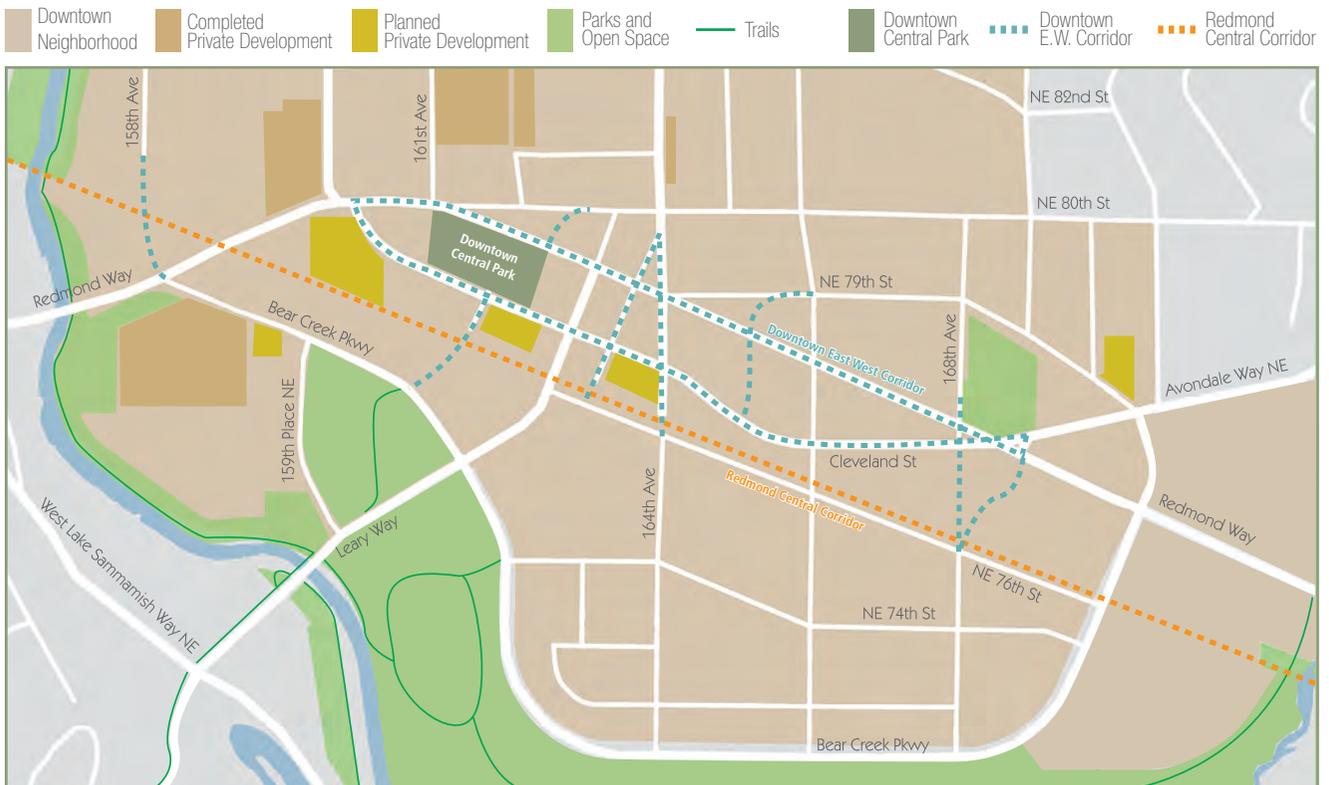
Downtown Redmond is **creating choice** by becoming a vibrant, 18-hour a day urban center with a variety of dining, shopping, recreating and living options. Plans for Downtown will **connect community** by enhancing multi-modal mobility and providing gathering places that allow people to connect with each other personally.

As a **regional growth center**, more than 6,000 new residents and 4,000 new workers are expected in Downtown Redmond by 2020. In preparation for this growth, private development has recently constructed 1050 residential units, has 315 units underway, and has plans and permits for 385 more units in Downtown.

To encourage future developments of this nature, the City is planning projects that make Downtown Redmond a more attractive place to live and work, including:

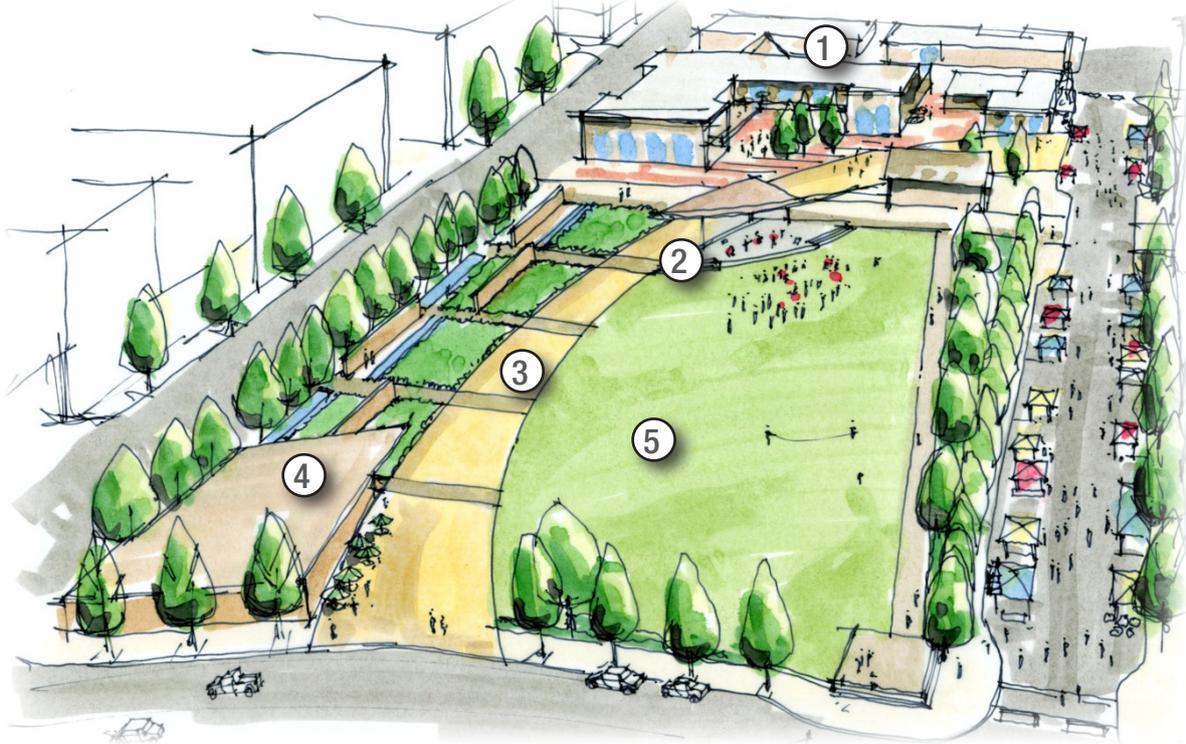
- Continued acquisition and development of **Downtown Central Park**, which is integral to attracting residents and businesses to Downtown and the future hub for entertainment and recreation;
- Implementation of the **Downtown East-West Corridor** (DEWC) projects which include, an overhaul of the Downtown street grid system and construction of complete streets; and
- Development of the recently acquired BNSF rail corridor into the **Redmond Central Connector** – a regional trail and linear park, utility corridor, and transit way for East Link light rail.

DOWNTOWN PROJECT MAP



DOWNTOWN CENTRAL PARK

Every great city has a signature place that serves as a destination, an icon for the city, and a catalyst for planned growth. Downtown Central Park will be Redmond's signature place, by creating a place for community members to gather and celebrate. It will be a vibrant community space that encourages special events, arts, music and fun. The enhanced pedestrian activity in and near the park will stimulate economic activity in the neighborhood.



The graphic above illustrates an early concept for a new park space in Downtown Redmond. The park may include spaces such as:

1. Old Town Court

The court will incorporate existing older structures, including the historic Stone House, providing a courtyard encircled by active retail and restaurants that spill into the park and bring energy and activity.

2. Zocalo

The central feature of the park will be a paved plaza and covered stage that provides a venue for large or small scale events or a valuable covered space for informal play and passive activities.

3. The Traverse

The Traverse will carry people through the park and make connections to local businesses and streets. Tables, chairs, benches and an interactive water feature will line the traverse.

4. Café

A pavilion with striking architecture will anchor the northwest corner of The Green, which will bring activity into the park.

5. The Green

A great lawn will serve as a passive recreation area, an outdoor living room for nearby residents, and a venue for programmed events.

| Estimated Project Cost | |
|------------------------|---------------------|
| City Commitment | \$15,000,000 |
| Other Sources | \$0 |
| Unfunded | \$12,000,000 |
| Total | \$27,000,000 |

DOWNTOWN EAST WEST CORRIDOR

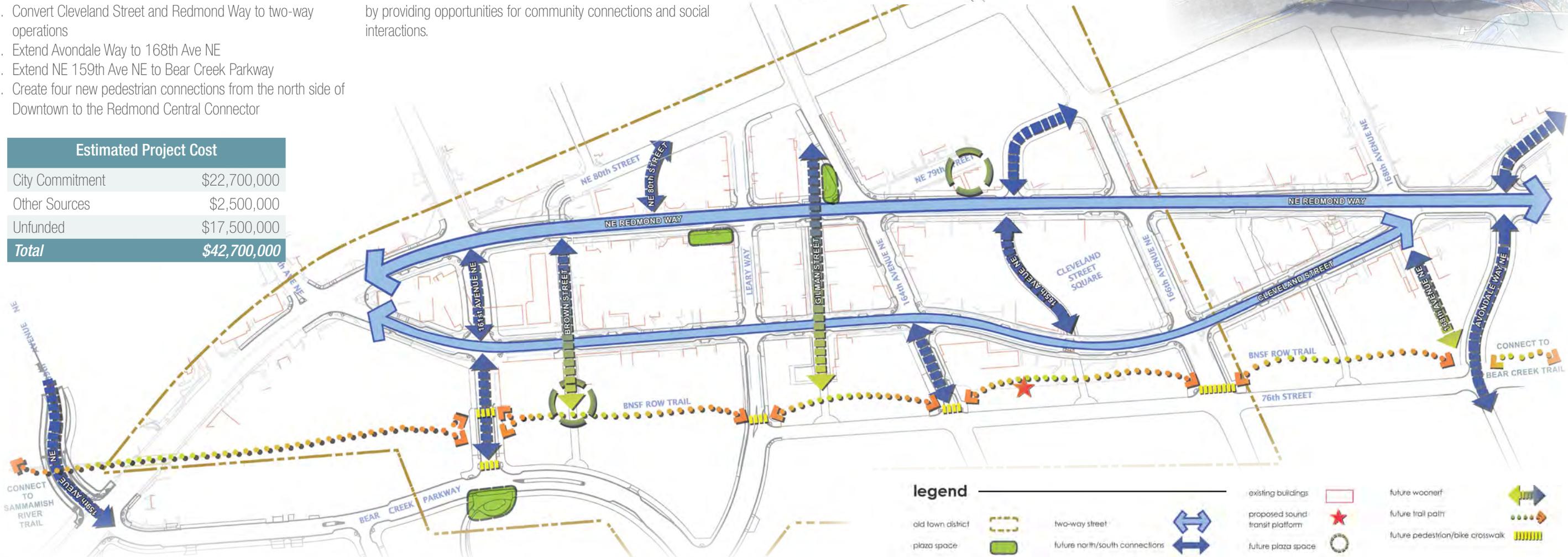
In order to make Downtown Redmond a great urban center destination with bustling activity and thriving businesses, the City is creating a more complete street grid system, comprised of pedestrian friendly streetscapes, and improved circulation. The Downtown East West Corridor project will be implemented in phases as follows:

1. Extend 161st Ave NE from Redmond Way to Bear Creek Parkway
2. Extend 164th Ave NE from Redmond Way to NE 76th Street
3. Cleveland Street Complete Street & Road Diet Improvements
4. Redmond Way Complete Street & Road Diet Improvements
5. Convert Cleveland Street and Redmond Way to two-way operations
6. Extend Avondale Way to 168th Ave NE
7. Extend NE 159th Ave NE to Bear Creek Parkway
8. Create four new pedestrian connections from the north side of Downtown to the Redmond Central Connector

The Downtown East West Corridor Project will create a system of Great Streets that will:

- Reflect the neighborhood through which they pass
- Allow people to walk comfortably and safely
- Contribute to the economic vitality of the city
- Provide mobility for all modes of transportation
- Facilitate place-making through unique streetscapes including landscaping, art, and gathering places
- Incorporate green design features and environment for users including rain gardens and natural shade cover

These investments will sustain redevelopment of our urban center by providing opportunities for community connections and social interactions.



| Estimated Project Cost | |
|------------------------|---------------------|
| City Commitment | \$22,700,000 |
| Other Sources | \$2,500,000 |
| Unfunded | \$17,500,000 |
| Total | \$42,700,000 |

REDMOND CENTRAL CONNECTOR

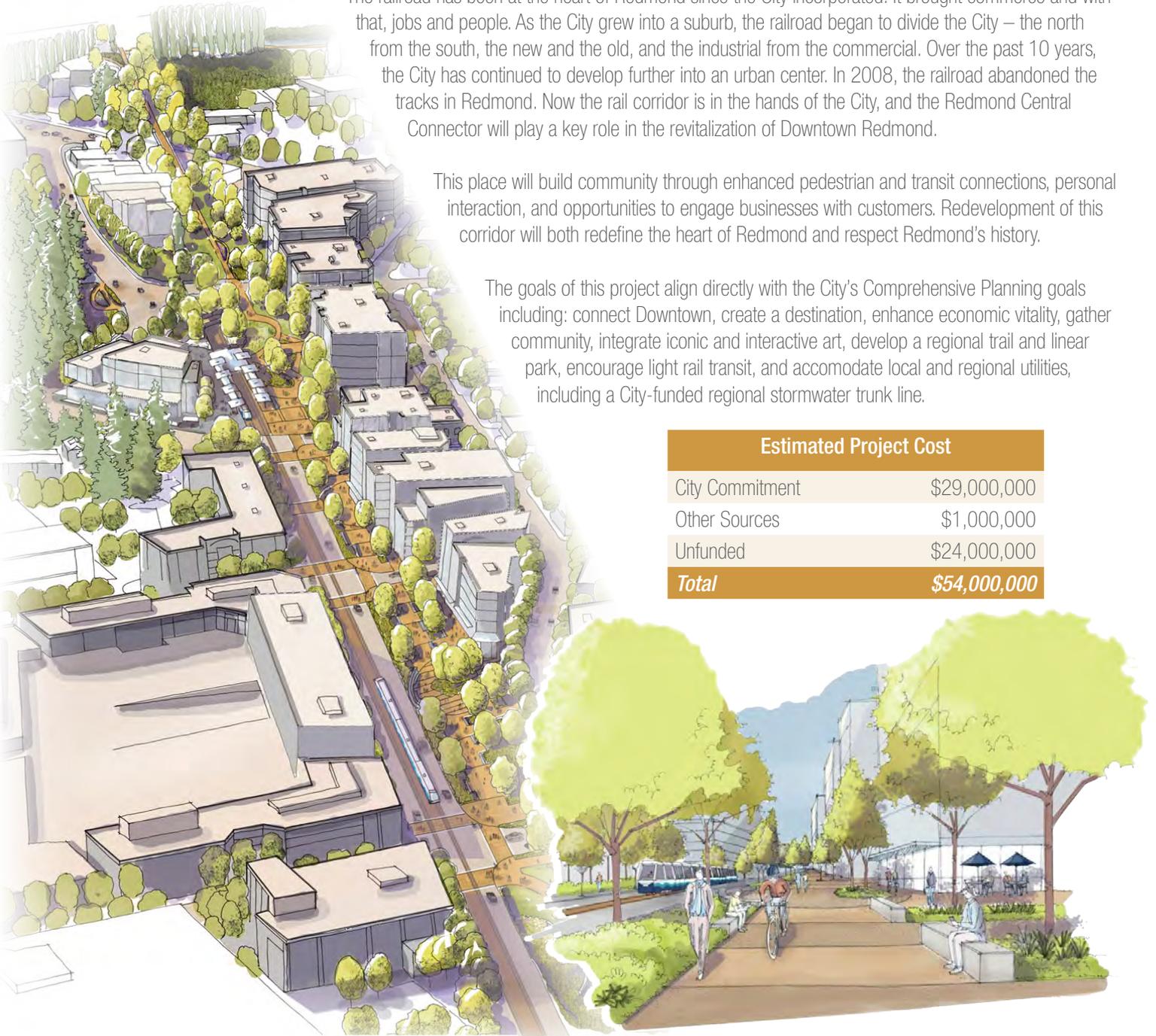
The railroad has been at the heart of Redmond since the City incorporated. It brought commerce and with that, jobs and people. As the City grew into a suburb, the railroad began to divide the City – the north from the south, the new and the old, and the industrial from the commercial. Over the past 10 years, the City has continued to develop further into an urban center. In 2008, the railroad abandoned the tracks in Redmond. Now the rail corridor is in the hands of the City, and the Redmond Central Connector will play a key role in the revitalization of Downtown Redmond.

This place will build community through enhanced pedestrian and transit connections, personal interaction, and opportunities to engage businesses with customers. Redevelopment of this corridor will both redefine the heart of Redmond and respect Redmond's history.

The goals of this project align directly with the City's Comprehensive Planning goals including: connect Downtown, create a destination, enhance economic vitality, gather community, integrate iconic and interactive art, develop a regional trail and linear park, encourage light rail transit, and accommodate local and regional utilities, including a City-funded regional stormwater trunk line.

Estimated Project Cost

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|-----------------|---------------------|
| City Commitment | \$29,000,000 |
| Other Sources | \$1,000,000 |
| Unfunded | \$24,000,000 |
| Total | \$54,000,000 |





DOWNTOWN VISION 2030

In the future, Downtown Redmond will have a vibrant mix of businesses, residences, and open spaces for recreation and relaxation. The City is taking tangible steps towards realizing its vision for Downtown Redmond, signaling its commitment to private developers to encourage continued investment in the neighborhood.

The vision:

- Create an economically healthy, vibrant Downtown that emphasizes pedestrian activities 18-hours a day.
- Develop cohesive system of public places in the Downtown that attract people and build community through interactive events and features.
- Link the north and south parts of the Downtown through various pedestrian and vehicular connections.
- Improve the aesthetic appeal of Downtown through enhanced landscaping, art, historic landmarks, gateways and gathering places.
- Increase mobility and promote environmental quality by providing for convenient transit, pedestrian, and bicycle routes to and from the Downtown.

EXPERIENCE A DAY IN DOWNTOWN REDMOND 2030

Jennifer leaves her condominium along the Redmond Central Connector and walks along the trail lined with an interesting mix of landscaping and art. She walks one block to Cleveland Street, where she meets a friend at her favorite bakery. They sip coffee at a table outside the bakery where they enjoy people watching and lovely plantings along the sidewalk. Afterwards, they stroll across the street to enjoy a concert in Downtown Central Park and stop at the Redmond Saturday Market for dinner fixings.



Mike rides his bike from Overlake Village along the SR-520 bike trail to the Sammamish River Trail, which connects to the Redmond Central Connector. Within 25 minutes, he arrives at his office in Downtown Redmond. Mike loves working in the Downtown Redmond urban center where he can grab a quick breakfast at the first floor deli in his office building, run errands at local shops during his lunch hour, and catch the East Link light rail train home if it rains too hard to bike home.



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