

MEMO TO: City Council

FROM: John Marchione, Mayor

DATE: November 5, 2013

SUBJECT: **AMENDING RMC 2.32.030, STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE COUNCIL – MEMBERSHIP, TO PROVIDE FOR ALTERNATE MEMBER PARTICIPATION WHEN NEEDED TO ESTABLISH A QUORUM OF THE COMMITTEE**

I. RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Amend the code to allow for alternate member participation on Council committees in order to establish a quorum in which to conduct business of the committee.

II. DEPARTMENT CONTACTS:

Michael E. Bailey, Finance and I.S. Director	425-556-2160
Michelle M. Hart, MMC, City Clerk	425-556-2190

III. DESCRIPTION:

The proposed ordinance is being presented at the request of the Council. The Public Administration and Finance Committee discussed the matter of adding alternates to the Council committee structure in order to establish a quorum, when needed, during their October 15, 2013, meeting. It was supported at that time for alternate member participation to be limited to the Council President and Vice-president in order to provide consistency in the process.

IV. IMPACT:

There are no fiscal or other impacts involved with the passage of this proposed ordinance.

V. ALTERNATIVES:

The Council could choose not to approve the attached ordinance. The Council committee structure would remain as it currently exists.

VI. TIME CONSTRAINTS:

There are no known time constraints.

VII. LIST OF ATTACHMENTS:

- A. Proposed Ordinance

Mike E. Bailey, Finance Director

Date

Approved for Council Agenda _____

John Marchione, Mayor

Date

ATTACHMENT A

CODE

**CITY OF REDMOND
ORDINANCE NO. 2712**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF REDMOND,
WASHINGTON, AMENDING RMC 2.32.030, STANDING
COMMITTEES OF THE COUNCIL - MEMBERSHIP, TO
PROVIDE FOR ALTERNATE MEMBER PARTICIPATION
WHEN NEEDED TO ESTABLISH A QUORUM

WHEREAS, Members of the City Council have expressed their
desire to appoint alternate members to the Standing Committees
of the Council, when needed, in order to establish a quorum for
the purposes of conducting business of the committee.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDMOND,
WASHINGTON, DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Classification. This ordinance is of a
general and permanent nature and shall become a part of the City
Code.

Section 2. Amendment of Section. RMC 2.32.030,
Membership, is hereby amended to read as follows:

2.32.030 Membership.

Each committee shall have a chairperson and at
least two other members, to be appointed by the
Council President biannually upon the reorganization
and seating of a new City Council following regular

municipal elections. The Council President or Vice-president may serve as an alternate member on any standing council committee, in which they are not already a designated member, for the purposes of establishing a quorum in which to conduct business of the committee. Vacancies shall be filled when they occur by the Council President. The Regional Affairs Committee shall be a committee of the whole, unless otherwise determined by vote of the Council. The Council President may elect not to serve on any committee which is not a committee of the whole.

Section 3. Severability. If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance should be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance.

Section 4. Effective date. This ordinance shall become effective five days after its publication, or publication of a summary thereof, in the city's official newspaper, or as otherwise provided by law.

ADOPTED by the Redmond City Council this _____ day of _____, 2013.

CITY OF REDMOND

JOHN MARCHIONE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

MICHELLE M. HART, MMC, CITY CLERK

(SEAL)

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY:

JAMES HANEY, CITY ATTORNEY

FILED WITH THE CITY CLERK:
PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL:
SIGNED BY THE MAYOR:
PUBLISHED:
EFFECTIVE DATE:
ORDINANCE NO.