REDMOND CITY COUNCIL STUDY SESSION

August 9, 2011

Mayor

John Marchione

Members of the Council

Richard Cole, Council President
Pat Vache, Council Vice-president
Kim Allen
David Carson
Hank Margeson
Hank Myers (Not in Attendance)
John Stilin

Staff

Rob Odle, Planning and Community Development Director

Kim Dietz, Senior Planner

Lori Peckol, Planning Policy Manager Michelle M. McGehee, CMC, City Clerk

STUDY SESSION SUMMARY

Convened: 7:30 p.m. Adjourned: 8:45 p.m.

Council President Richard Cole opened the session and overviewed the agenda for the evening.

Seattle Center Foundation Presentation Re: 50th Anniversary

Representatives of the Seattle Center Foundation addressed the Mayor and Members of the Council with regards to the upcoming anniversary of the 1962 World's Fair. The presentation included an overview of the Foundation's charter, goals, themes, and elements of the anniversary celebration. The Seattle Center Foundation is soliciting regional participation in the event.

2010-11 Periodic Update of the Comprehensive Plan

Senior Planner Kim Dietz provided a report regarding portions of the Land Use Element and introduction to the Neighborhoods Element relating to Neighborhood Commercial zoning in the planned update of the Comprehensive Plan. The presentation addressed:

- City Council direction;
 - o require enhanced review process for Neighborhood Commercial rezone applications;
 - o prohibit rezone to Neighborhood Commercial from underlying zones; and
 - o allow no more than one rezone to Neighborhood Commercial per each of six Neighborhood Commercial Overlay Zones;
- Candidate locations for up to one rezone per Neighborhood Commercial Overlay Zone candidates must meet one criteria:
 - o housing concentration;
 - o employment concentration;
 - o recreational activities;

- remaining Council schedule:
 - o September 6, 2011 Council action
 - adopt Neighborhood Commercial policies and regulations; and
 - approve intent to adopt Land Use and Neighborhood Element (2010 2011 Periodic Update to Redmond's Comprehensive Plan).

Council Talk Time

Councilmember Cole informed Members of the Council that:

- the November 8, 2011, Council meeting will be cancelled and rescheduled to Monday, November 7, 2011, as November 8th is Election Day;
- the Overlake Walk Audit will be held on August 29, 2011, at 5 p.m.;
- the topic of traffic safety cameras will be coming before the Council in a study session scheduled for October 11, 2011; and
- the grand opening of 161st Avenue NE extension will be held on August 17, 2011, at 10 a.m.

Presentations of comments received during National Night Out were also received from Members of the Council.