

**REDMOND CITY COUNCIL
JOINT STUDY SESSION WITH THE ARTS COMMISSION
AND STUDY SESSION SUMMARY**

February 28, 2012

Mayor

John Marchione

Members of the Council

Pat Vache, President

Hank Margeson, Vice-President

Kim Allen

David Carson

Tom Flynn

Hank Myers

John Stilin

Redmond Poet Laureate

Rebecca Meredith

Staff

Mike Bailey, Finance and Information Services Director

Malisa Files, Deputy Finance Director

Joshua Heim, Recreation Program Administrator

Marianne Johnson, Recreation Program Coordinator

Elizabeth M. Adkisson, CMC, City Clerk

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Clint McCune, Chair

Rob Leavitt, Vice-Chair

Seema Chaudhary

Beverly Doleac

Jessica Lambert

Lara Lockwood

Amy Mayes

Pat Pattabhira

Kampria Sanu, Youth Advocate (*not in attendance*)

Convened: 7:30 p.m.

Adjourned: 9:37 p.m.

JOINT STUDY SESSION SUMMARY

Mayor John Marchione opened the Joint Study Session with the Redmond City Council and Arts Commission; and turned over facilitation to Councilmember Tom Flynn. Councilmember Flynn welcomed members of the Council and Commission, and initiated introductions.

Redmond Poet Laureate Rebecca Meredith spoke regarding the Centennial Poetry Celebration; six artists were chosen to write regarding historical images of Redmond, to connect the past to the present, and will be presented at a celebration in June. Ms. Meredith read a piece of her own entitled "Moon the Changer Makes this Place", inspired by the Dudley Carter piece "Legend of the Moon" located at the entrance to Marymoor Park. Ms. Meredith hopes to create and present successive pieces/voices to the Centennial Poetry Celebration.

Arts Commissioners shared the following information with the Council:

- Arts Commission Strategic Plan (2009 Overview):
 - Vision: a community inspired and connected by arts and culture;
 - Mission: be a catalyst for Redmond's diverse and inventive community;
 - Strategy:
 - make arts accessible,
 - create a place for the arts, and

- nurture the arts in our community;
- 2011 Highlights:
 - Present Art: Restored Public Art;
 - Present Art: Poet Laureate;
 - Develop Facilities: Library Gallery;
 - Host Community Meetings: Items from the Audience;
- 2012 Priorities:
 - Minimize Barriers to Participation;
 - Cultural Focal Point: Downtown:
 - Central Connector;
 - Redmond Town Center; and
 - Downtown Park;
 - Host Art and Business Summit;
 - Encourage Innovative Design;
- General Discussion: Who Cultivates Culture?
- Celebrating Pioneers: Arts Day and Awards;
 - Arts Commission 25th Anniversary: March 9, 2012.

General discussion ensued regarding Council support for the inclusion of ‘cultural’ aspects into the Arts Commission/ arts discussion; broad definition of ‘culture’; defining the unique culture of Redmond; cultural events and experiences; and the blending of cultures and neighborhoods.

(The study session recessed at 8:45 p.m. and reconvened at 8:55 p.m.)

COUNCIL STUDY SESSION SUMMARY

Council President Pat Vache opened the Study Session and overviewed the agenda.

Performance Dashboard Discussion

Mr. Mike Bailey, Finance and Information Services Director, presented information on the Performance Dashboard:

- Approach:
 - BP = continuous process improvement;
 - performance measures is an area where process improvement is the norm (for quite some time);
 - Created “Performance Leadership Team”;
 - to create the measures at the priority level; became known as the “dashboard measures”;
 - several meetings over the summer of 2011 resulted in recommended 22 measures;
 - This is the beginning – not the end;
- City of Redmond BP Performance Measures Element:
 - Role of Measurement Dashboard;
 - Outcome measures for each priority area;
 - Basis for supporting measurement framework;

- Basis for supporting measurement metrics;
- o Characteristics;
 - Top level indicators;
 - Stable yet flexible;
 - Relatable to priority and to programs;
- Budgeting by Priorities dashboard measures should be:
 1. directly related to the priorities within the City’s Budgeting by Priorities framework;
 2. reflective of the resulting community condition identified by the priority;
 3. objective in nature (able to determine if progress toward the desired outcome has occurred);
 4. obvious as to what it means and why it is a relevant measure;
 5. measurable (either directly or through supporting measures which are themselves verifiable);
 6. actionable relative to decision making;
 7. measure is reflective of the “big picture”;
 8. cost of the measure cannot exceed the value of the outcome;
- City of Redmond – BP Performance Measures element:
 - o Dashboard (Policy);
 - o Departmental Measure (Management); and
 - o Offer Measures (Operations).

General discussion ensued regarding:

- survey and opinion based measures;
- scalability of offers;
- continuous improvement and sustaining levels of service/targets;
- biennial survey (increase frequency);
- development of soft measures and hard measures;
- operational versus strategic dashboard; and
- measures below the dashboard.

Budget Calendar

Ms. Malisa Files, Deputy Finance Director, presented the DRAFT Budget Calendar; highlighting the following items:

- Neighborhood Meetings (February 23, March 1, March 7);
- Public Hearings (June 19, October 16, November 20);
- Preliminary Budget and Six-Year Financial Forecast distributed to Council (October 9);
- Study Sessions (October 25, 30; November 1, 8, 13, 15, 27, 29); and
- Proposed Adoption Date (December 4).

General discussion ensued regarding study session structure; additional meetings with budget topics (Committee Meetings, Budget Retreat); and companion pieces to the budget for adoption. Ms. Files stated the proposed budget calendar will be before the full Council for approval at the Regular Meeting on Tuesday, March 6, 2012.

Mr. Bailey stated that the budget teams will report out to Council regarding the budget offers at the March Public Administration and Finance Committee Meeting.

Council Talk Time

Council President Pat Vache initiated conversation regarding setting a date for the Council Budget Retreat; tentatively scheduled for Saturday, March 24, 2012. Additional dates and Councilmember conflicts were discussed. The Council proposed Saturday April 21, 2012, pending availability of the retreat facilitator; and March 24th as a secondary option. Mayor Marchione stated he will follow-up with the facilitator regarding scheduling.

Council Vice-President Hank Margeson initiated discussion on an upcoming Suburban Cities Association (SCA) Public Issues Committee (PIC) agenda action item regarding the classification of cannabis for medical use; specifically Redmond's vote. Council members discussed information available on the subject, pros and cons, and expressed overall support for the action. Mr. Margeson indicated he will carry forward the Council's position at the upcoming meeting.

Councilmember Hank Myers stated that the current CERT class will be conducting training this coming weekend (Saturday 3/3/12 - afternoon; Sunday 3/4/12 - morning), and is in need of volunteers to play victims of a disaster; those interested should contact the Redmond Police Department: 425.556.2200.

Miscellaneous

Mayor Marchione announced the following upcoming neighborhood meetings:

Redmond Neighborhood Network 2012 & Budgeting By Priorities

March 1, 2012 - Bear Creek, Education Hill, North Redmond, and SE Redmond neighborhoods

March 7, 2012 - Grass Lawn, Idylwood, Sammamish Valley, and Willows-Rose Hill neighborhoods

All meetings will take place at Redmond City Hall, 15670 NE 85th Street, from 6:30pm to 8:30pm. Please contact [Kimberly Dietz](mailto:Kimberly.Dietz@redmond.gov) at 425-556-2415 for additional information and to indicate your interest in attending. <http://www.redmond.gov/Residents/Neighborhoods/>