# REDMOND CITY COUNCIL STUDY SESSION

May 24, 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 John Stilin Staff

Rob Odle, Planning and Community

**Development Director** 

Don Cairns, Transportation Engineering Manager

Lori Peckol, Planning Policy and Comp Plan

Manager

Sarah Stiteler, Senior Planner Kim Dietz, Senior Planner

Michelle M. McGehee, CMC, City Clerk

#### STUDY SESSION SUMMARY

Convened: 7:30 p.m. Adjourned: 10:24 p.m.

Councilmember Vache opened the study session and overviewed the agenda for the evening. The agenda was reordered to take the 'Targeted Safety Improvement Projects' discussion first.

#### **Targeted Safety Improvement Projects**

Mr. Don Cairns, Transportation Engineering Manager, and Ms. Tricia Thomson, Transportation – Senior Engineer, provided a report to the Members of the Council regarding:

- 2011/12 proposed projects;
- program purpose;
- background of the program;
- traffic safety 'in general' in Redmond;
- previously approved projects and their status;
- ongoing projects;
- project identification processes;
- project ranking; and
- map of 2011/12 proposed project locations.

Councilmember Vache stated that he would like staff and the Council to look further into the 164<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE traffic model when the project is further into design.

Councilmember Stilin stated the rechannelization of 160<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE has fallen down the projects list; he would like to see it happen in 2012.

Members of the Council concurred with the list of projects and informed staff to move forward with their recommendations.

#### 2010 – 11 Comprehensive Plan Update, Package I Amendments

Ms. Lori Peckol, Planning Policy Manager, and Ms. Sarah Stiteler, Senior Planner, provided a report to the Mayor and Members of the Council with respect to the Package I amendments. Remaining issues were addressed as follows:

- Issue No. 1 proposing new language to the text and vision statement; Closed;
- Issue No. 7 Closed;
- Issue No. 8 Closed;
- Issue No. 9 bullet no. 4, to read as "as a last resort" Closed;
- Issue No. 10 expand statement to apply to all urban centers Open;
- Issue No. 21 leave language in Closed;
- Issue No. 22 Closed;
- Issue No. 23 Closed;
- Issue No. 25 Closed;
- Issue No. 27 added the word "learn" Closed; and
- Issue No. 29 Closed.

Councilmember Allen noted that a resolution would be coming forward to Council for their consideration regarding the Package I amendments on June 21, 2011.

### Neighborhood Commercial Amendments to Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Code

Ms. Dietz provided a report to the Mayor and Members of the Council. Discussion ensued regarding:

- the definition of Neighborhood Commercial (NC);
- August 16, 2011, planned for Council action;
- which zones may not be rezoned;
- prohibiting rezones from R1 zones;
- other zones;
- excluding SF-2 in R1 only zones;
- the City's current policy regarding NC;
- concurrence from the Council regarding SF2 and SF3;
- public involvement in the process;
- composition of a panel with respect to Alternative 3;
- notification on P3 to property owners is needed;
- consensus of the Council to proceed with P3;
- implementation alternatives;
- market-based approach no minimum distance;
- ½ or ¼ mile alternatives around urban centers for siting of NC; and
- the need for more details with regard to size and proximity of businesses to residences.

Councilmember Vache summarized the conversation as follows:

- use the ½ mile radius parameter; and
- use the definition of "grocery store", not "convenience store".

## **Council Talk Time**

Councilmember Myers:

- reminded members of the NAMI walk in Kirkland; and
- provided the members with an economic development tool kit.

Councilmember Stilin inquired if the members were interested in receiving CRP training in the near future. Members of the Council concurred and asked that this session be televised on RCTV.