

SPECIAL JOINT MEETING OF THE CITY OF REDMOND CITY COUNCIL AND DESCHUTES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS WAS HELD OCTOBER 17, 2023, IN CIVIC ROOMS 207/208.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Tobias Colvin – Clifford Evelyn – Ed Fitch – John Nielsen – Kathryn Osborne – Cat Zwicker

COUNCIL MEMBERS EXCUSED: Shannon Wedding

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Tony DeBone – Patti Adair – Phil Chang

STAFF PRESENT: City Manager Keith Witcosky – Planning Manager Kyle Roberts – City Attorney Keith Leitz – City Engineer Jessica MacClanahan – Communications Director Heather Cassaro – Police Chief Devin Lewis – Water Division Manager Joshua Wedding – Street Operations Manager Brad Haynes – Long Range Planner Morgan Snyder – Public Works Special Projects Manager Jon Skidmore – Finance Director James Wood – Wastewater Division Manager Ryan Kirchner – City Recorder Kelly Morse – Finance Director James Wood

COUNTY STAFF PRESENT: County Administrator Nick Lelack –Road Department Director Chris Doty –Fair & Expo Center Director Geoff Hinds –Solid Waste Director Tim Brownell

MEDIA PRESENT: Redmond Spokesman

Mayor Fitch and Chair DeBone called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. A quorum of the Council and Board of Commissioners was present.

PRESENTATIONS & DISCUSSIONS

A. Transportation Priorities / County Transportation System Plan

Deschutes County Road Department Director Chris Doty provided a status report on the County's Transportation System Plan (TSP) which is currently being updated. Redmond's most notable project in the TSP is the inclusion of a southern interchange at US 97.

Kittelson & Associates' Associate Engineer Matt Kittelson commented on the background of the southern interchange and next steps to advance the TSP projects in the community which included the Redmond TSP amendment, planning requirements to document the need for an interchange, and project development.

Questions and feedback from the Council and the Board were addressed with input from the Oregon Department of Transportation Area Manager Bob Townsend and Region 4 Manager Gary Farnsworth.

B. Water Resources / Water Permit / Deschutes Basin

Mayor Fitch provided an update on the City's application for a water permit with the Oregon Water Resources Department. He was optimistic Redmond's permit will be approved under existing law.

The Board addressed the tension point of exempt wells in unincorporated cities going dry and the reasons for groundwater decline in the Deschutes Basin.

C. CORE3 Project Update

Central Oregon Intergovernmental Council's Community and Economic Development Director Scott Aycock provided an update on the Central Oregon Ready Responsive Resilient (CORE3) project which

has been envisioned as a flexible multi-use space. Highlights included the proposed site area, the Master Development Plan, resolving a zoning error in the land use work, next steps, and the updated timeline.

D. Terrebonne Intergovernmental Agreement / Redmond Wetlands Complex

Public Works Special Projects Manager Jon Skidmore presented the Redmond Wetlands Complex (RWC) Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) which addresses sewage treatment capacity for Terrebonne. Terrebonne would be responsible for constructing their own wastewater conveyance system in order to connect to the RWC. Wastewater Division Manager Ryan Kirchner provided background on the technology behind the Wetlands treatment facility.

City Attorney Keith Leitz emphasized the final version of the IGA will stipulate the actual amount to be repaid would be 3.5 percent of the final project cost less the \$1 million pledged by the County.

Councilor Zwicker moved, seconded by Councilor Nielsen, to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement between Redmond and Terrebonne for the Wetlands system pending the acceptance of terms of the termination agreement and authorize the City Manager to sign, motion passed. (Colvin-yes, Evelyn-yes, Fitch-yes, Nielsen-yes, Osborne-yes, Zwicker-yes)

E. Fairgrounds Update

Deschutes County Fairgrounds and Expo Center Director Geoff Hinds presented an update which highlighted an overview of the venue and 2023 year-to-date statistics. Mr. Hinds spoke to event snapshots of the Overland Expo and Gambler 500, their focus for the future in both near and long term, and upcoming events.

F. Negus Transfer Station / Landfill / Siting / Franchise Agreement Update

Deschutes County Director of Solid Waste Tim Brownell provided an update on his department's efforts at siting a new landfill, the Negus transfer station modification, and Deschutes County's work on developing a new franchise agreement with garbage haulers.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:07 pm.

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Reviewed by Kelly Morse, City Recorder

APPROVED by the City Council and SIGNED by the Mayor this 12th day of December 2023.

/s/ Ed Fitch
Ed Fitch, Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Kelly Morse
Kelly Morse, City Recorder