

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP OF THE CITY OF REDMOND WAS HELD MARCH 18, 2024, IN THE AIRPORT CONFERENCE ROOM.

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

STAFF PRESENT: City Manager Keith Witcosky – Deputy City Manager John Roberts – Deputy City Manager/CFO Jason Neff – City Attorney Keith Leitz – Planning Manager Kyle Roberts – City Recorder Kelly Morse – Police Chief Devin Lewis – Long Range Planner Morgan Snyder – Public Works Director/City Engineer Jessica MacClanahan – Finance Director James Wood – Airport Director Zachary Bass

MEDIA PRESENT: None

[Due to technical difficulties with the audio recording, some components and/or discussion from the workshop may be missing or incomplete.]

Mayor Fitch called the workshop to order at 3:00 p.m.

PRESENTATIONS

A. Election Signature Requirement

The Council was presented with options for the establishment of a filing fee and a set number of signatures for election filings. After discussion, the direction of the Council was to bring forward for consideration an ordinance setting the required number of signatures at 100 for Mayor and 50 for Council and adding an option for filing by a fee in lieu of collecting signature. The Council proposed a filing fee of \$100 for Mayor and \$50 for Council. An ordinance and fee schedule resolution will be presented at a future Council meeting.

B. “Great Neighborhood”/Neighborhood Development Project Scoping

Deputy City Manager John Roberts and Long Range Planner Morgan Snyder provided the Council with discussion on the creation of a temporary working group focused on amending the residential portions of the Redmond Development Code in order to address both substantial changes to state law and comments regarding the quality of residential development. Key stakeholders of the Residential Development Advisory Group (RDAG) include the City (Council Member(s), Urban Area Planning Commissioner and staff), Non-profit groups (Housing Works, Rooted Homes, Bend-Redmond Habitat for Humanity, and a Habitat for Humanity recipient), and private organizations (Central Oregon Builders Association, a multi-family developer, and two production builders). Legislative impacts that need addressing are House Bills 2001, 2889, and 1537, and Senate Bill 1564. The Council was supportive of the idea and provided feedback regarding the purpose, composition, and operation of the RDAG.

C. Water Summit Update

The Water Summit at Redmond City Hall has been scheduled for May 16. Those invited to participate include representatives from federal, state, and local government agencies and water districts.

D. CourseCo Update

The Council and staff discussed the current CourseCo contract and how to move forward. A letter was sent to CourseCo proposing the contract termination date be moved to December 31, 2024. CourseCo recommended exercising the extension which would move the termination date to December 31, 2029.

E. Budget Policy Priorities/Current Initiatives

Staff provided the Council with an update on the City's policy priorities/current initiatives. The Council discussed transportation priorities and the importance of getting infrastructure to the Large Lot Industrial land located south of the Deschutes County Fairgrounds. This will require a request from the legislature in 2025.

F. Scope of Airport Terminal Project (include/don't include elements)

Airport Director Zachary Bass provided a presentation on the Airport Terminal Expansion Project. He identified critical areas for improvement, reviewed components of Phase 1, and discussed project cost and funding.

OTHER BUSINESS

There being no further business, the workshop was adjourned at 4:28 p.m.

Prepared by Kelly Morse, City Recorder

APPROVED by the City Council and SIGNED by the Mayor this 23rd day of July 2024.

/s/ Ed Fitch
Ed Fitch, Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Kayla Duddy
Kayla Duddy, Deputy City Recorder