

**Redmond City Council
Regular Meeting Minutes**

August 27, 2024

Council Chambers & Remote Video Conferencing
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Present: Tobias Colvin, Clifford Evelyn, Ed Fitch, John Nielsen, Shannon Wedding, Cat Zwicker

Excused: Kathryn Osborne

Staff Present: City Manager Keith Witcosky, Deputy City Manager/Chief Financial Officer Jason Neff, City Attorney Keith Leitz, Deputy City Recorder Kayla Duddy, Public Works Director/City Engineer Jessica MacClanahan, Airport Director Zachary Bass, Police Captain Jesse Petersen, Public Works Operations Manager Ryan Kirchner, Public Works Business & Strategic Initiatives Manager Lorelei Williams, Transportation Division Manager Anthony Ortgies

Media Present: None

CALL TO ORDER/ESTABLISH A QUORUM

Mayor Fitch called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. A quorum was established.

BLESSING

Deacon Jay Patrick led the blessing.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Fitch led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Redmond Police Officers Life Saving Recognition

The Council recognized Redmond Police Sergeant Jered Kirk and Officers Jeremy Rutledge and Riley Powell for saving a family from a fire on July 5, 2024. The officers will be honored at the Annual Police Awards Dinner in spring 2025.

B. 2025 Transportation Priorities for the September 12, 2024, Legislative Meeting

City Manager Keith Witcosky shared that a Joint Legislative Committee will be in Bend on September 12, 2024, to discuss transportation priorities. The Council will participate to focus on Redmond's critical safety priorities, which include the Helmholtz Way/Highway 126 and 35th Street/Highland Avenue intersections, as well as supporting CORE3 in seeking funding for a left-turn lane on NE 21st Street.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Minutes of July 22, 2024, Council Workshop**
- B. Minutes of July 23, 2024, Council Meeting**
- C. 23rd Anniversary of September 11, 2001, Proclamation**
- D. POW-MIA Awareness Day Proclamation**
- E. Suicide Prevention Month Proclamation**
- F. Patriot Month Proclamation**

Councilor Zwicker moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Councilor Nielsen seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Mayor Fitch read the Patriot Month Proclamation.

Rachel Nordenhok thanked the Council for approving the proclamation, explaining that Redmond is the first city in the United States to proclaim September 2024 as Patriot Month.

PRESENTATIONS

A. Airport Terminal Expansion Update

Airport Director Zachary Bass presented an update on the Airport Terminal Expansion, which is 35 to 40 percent through full design. Key highlights included the design, construction timeline, and project estimate of \$170 million.

BID AWARDS / BID REJECTIONS

A. Authorization to Purchase a 2025 Elgin Broom Bear Sweeper Unit for Public Works Transportation Division: \$391,776.76

Public Works Business & Strategic Initiatives Manager Lorelei Williams requested authorization to purchase a 2025 Elgin Broom Bear Sweeper Unit in the amount of \$391,777.76 from the Owen Equipment Company. The purchase, through a Sourcewell cooperative purchase agreement, will replace a 2006 unit.

Councilor Nielsen moved to authorize the City to purchase a 2025 England (Elgin) Broom Bear Sweeper Unit from the Owen Equipment Company for the amount of \$391,776.76 and authorize the City Manager to sign the agreement. Councilor Colvin seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS AT THE MEETING

- Redmond resident Donna Abelein discussed the actions of the Council.
- Redmond resident Scott Stuart commented on the Patriot Month proclamation.
- Redmond resident Kayla Bee commented on homelessness.
- Senior Center Board Member Jo Anne Sutherland commented on the Senior Center's kitchen renovation.
- Senior Center Board Member Earl Fisher shared information on the Senior Center's 75th Anniversary celebrations.
- Redmond resident Sally Griffin commented on Council's hard work and accessibility.
- Redmond resident Jay Patrick commented on the Patriot Month Proclamation.

CITY MANAGER COMMENTS

Mr. Witcosky reported on the Juniper Golf Committee meeting and updates from the Police Chief.

Public Works Director/City Engineer Jessica MacClanahan and Transportation Division Manager Anthony Orgies provided information on street closures and detours for the Street Preservation Program on Maple Avenue.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilor Nielsen acknowledged the Redmond Police Officers.

Councilor Zwicker reported on traffic impacts and homelessness.

Councilor Evelyn commented on Council and staff's dedication to Redmond's citizens and the public's participation at meetings.

Councilor Colvin reported on downtown activity and the Suicide Prevention Month.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

A. Downtown Urban Renewal Advisory Committee - Appointment of Mckenzie Westcott, term expiring December 2025.

Councilor Colvin moved to appoint Mckenzie Westcott to the Downtown Urban Renewal Advisory Committee with a term expiring December 2025. Councilor Zwicker seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Mayor Fitch reported on transportation funding, CORE3 funding, and a possible east side managed camp.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Fitch adjourned the meeting at 6:55 p.m.

Prepared by ABC Transcription Services, Inc.
Reviewed by Kayla Duddy, Deputy City Recorder

APPROVED by the City Council and SIGNED by the Mayor this 24th day of September 2024.

/s/ Ed Fitch
Ed Fitch, Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Kelly Morse
Kelly Morse, City Recorder