

**Redmond City Council
Regular Meeting Minutes**

July 8, 2025

Council Chambers & Remote Video Conferencing
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Present: Clifford Evelyn, Ed Fitch, John Nielsen, Kathryn Osborne, Jay Patrick, Shannon Wedding, Cat Zwicker

Excused: None

Staff Present: City Manager Keith Witcosky, City Attorney Keith Leitz, Deputy City Manager Steve Ashworth, Public Works Director/City Engineer Jessica MacClanahan, City Recorder Kelly Morse, Communications Director Heather Cassaro, Finance Director James Wood, Planning Director Kyle Roberts, Network Administrator Dan Schroedl, Police Captain Stephen Lopez, Human Resources Director Jason Bavuso, Ryan Kirchner Public Works Operations Manager

Media Present: None

CALL TO ORDER / ESTABLISH A QUORUM

Mayor Fitch called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

BLESSING

Pastor Ken Marshall from Crossing Church led the blessing.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilor Zwicker led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were none.

CONSENT AGENDA

A. Minutes of May 27, 2025, Council Meeting

B. Redmond Economic Development Inc. annual service contract for 2025/2026: \$168,182

Councilor Evelyn moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Councilor Wedding seconded the motion, which passed 7 to 0. (Ayes: Evelyn, Fitch, Nielsen, Osborne, Patrick, Wedding, Zwicker. Nays: None.)

BID AWARDS / BID REJECTIONS

A. Contract Award to ALS Environmental for Wastewater Analytical Laboratory Services: \$625,000

Public Works Operations Manager Ryan Kirchner presented the Staff report recommending approval of a contract award to ALS Environmental for analytical laboratory services. ALS Environmental received the highest evaluation among four bids submitted.

Questions from Council were addressed.

Councilor Zwicker moved to approve the contract for analytical laboratory services to ALS Group USA Corp., dba ALS Environmental in the amount not to exceed \$125,000 per year for a total amount up to \$625,000 over five years and authorize the City Manager to sign the contract. Councilor Osborne seconded the motion, which passed 7 to 0. (Ayes: Evelyn, Fitch, Nielsen, Osborne, Patrick, Wedding, Zwicker. Nays: None.)

PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. Ordinance #2025-12 - An ordinance approving Cinderview West Master Development Plan and Tentative Subdivision Compliant with the 2040 Greater Redmond Area Comprehensive Plan and Zone Map.

Mayor Fitch disclosed that he had previously assisted Gary Knox with his limited liability company (LLC) but had no contact with Mr. Knox regarding the subject development. He opened the public hearing at 6:11 pm.

Planning Director Kyle Roberts provided a presentation on Cinderview West, describing the Applicant's proposal and requested applications. He addressed public comments received regarding infrastructure, access, and construction impacts. The Urban Area Planning Commission recommended approval. Staff recommended approval subject to conditions, noting that the 20-foot-wide alley will accommodate a fire truck, but would require "No Parking" signage.

Questions and comments were addressed with input from Public Works Director/City Engineer Jessica MacClanahan.

The Council expressed concerns about the subdivision design, including traffic impacts on adjacent neighborhoods and potential fire hazards, such as the alley serving multiple townhomes. Additional concerns included driveway lengths, on-street parking, emergency access, xeriscaping impacts on pets, and adequate recreational space for families.

H.A. McCoy Engineering's Hayes McCoy addressed the Council's concerns, stating that City access standards prohibit access to NW 10th Street or Pershall Way. He noted that future access from Pershall Way is expected but dependent on adjacent development, which in turn relies on the subject property for sewer and water infrastructure. He also noted the possibilities of adding additional alley access and increasing the alley width to 24 feet.

Councilors believed the development could provide direct access to NW 10th Street and Pershall Way given upcoming improvements and maintained concerns about fire access even with a 24-foot alley. A minimum garage door width of 9 feet was also recommended.

Mayor Fitch called for public comment.

Redmond resident Ken Deuser expressed concern about increased traffic and associated noise on NW 10th Place at NW Walnut Avenue. He reported unsuccessful attempts to have the City address speeding and traffic volume.

Mayor Fitch confirmed there was no further public testimony and continued the public hearing to the July 22, 2025, Council meeting, requesting Mr. McCoy coordinate with Mr. Roberts and Engineering in the interim.

ACTION ITEMS

- A. Resolution #2025-13 - A resolution declaring certain territory as being annexed to and incorporated within the City of Redmond**
- B. Resolution #2025-14 - A resolution of the City of Redmond requesting the transfer of certain County rights-of-way from Deschutes County**

These items were postponed until the public hearing regarding Cinderview West is reconvened.

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS AT THE MEETING

- Redmond resident Jim Matteson commended Council for its leadership, particularly regarding the issue of fireworks.
- Cascade View Estates Homeowners Association President Chris Nielsen requested three speed humps for Cascade Vista Drive and offered information about a traffic-calming mat.

Mayor Fitch stated the Traffic Safety Working Group will review the request and report back to the Council, adding neighborhood updates will follow.

CITY MANAGER COMMENTS

City Manager Keith Witcosky reported the Hope Playground parking lot will close next week for the Central Dry Canyon development project, but that the playground itself will remain open. Detours have begun for the SW Badger Avenue/SW Canal Boulevard roundabout. Improvements near SW 43rd Street/SW Antelope Avenue and SW 47th Street/SW Yew Avenue have been implemented. He also commended the Police Department for its Fourth of July efforts.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mayor Fitch confirmed the proposed stoplight at SW 35th Street and SW Highland Avenue may be addressed in a potential Special Session and is expected to be included in the January Interim Session.

Councilor Patrick expressed support for speed control measures in Cascade View Estates, noting he is a resident of the neighborhood.

Councilor Zwicker commended Redmond Fire & Rescue (RF&R) and the Redmond Police Department for their Fourth of July work and noted improved public consideration in fireworks use.

Councilor Evelyn urged the public to drive safely and with caution.

Councilor Wedding reported on attending the 4th of July Parade and thanked all who attended.

Councilor Nielsen thanked the Redmond Police Department, RF&F, and the public for a safe Fourth of July. He also recognized the passing of Vern Arledge, who served as Chaplain for the Redmond Police Department and RF&R (since August 1, 1996).

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Fitch commended Deputy City Manager/Chief Financial Officer Jason Neff on the City securing lower-than-expected interest rates for recent bond issuances of \$109 million for the Airport Terminal Expansion Project and \$5 million for the Quick Turnaround Facility. He also noted planning has begun for the City's July 4th celebration of the nation's 250th birthday.

A. Historic Landmarks Commission - Appointment of Carol Klemz, term expiring December 31, 2027

Councilor Evelyn moved to approve the appointment. Councilor Osborne seconded the motion, which passed 7 to 0. (Ayes: Evelyn, Fitch, Nielsen, Osborne, Patrick, Wedding, Zwicker. Nays: None.)

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:10 pm.

Prepared by ABC Transcription Services, Inc.
Reviewed by Kelly Morse, City Recorder

APPROVED by the City Council and SIGNED by the Mayor this 12th day of August 2025.

/s/ Ed Fitch
Ed Fitch, Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Kayla Duddy
Kayla Duddy, Deputy City Recorder