

Redmond City Council

July 14, 2025

Workshop Minutes

Executive Conference Room & Remote Video Conferencing

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CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Fitch called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm.

Present: Clifford Evelyn, Ed Fitch, John Nielsen, Kathryn Osborne, Shannon Wedding, Cat Zwicker

Excused: Jay Patrick

Staff Present: City Manager Keith Witcosky, Deputy City Manager Steve Ashworth, City Recorder Kelly Morse, Airport Director Zachary Bass, City Attorney Keith Leitz, Chief Financial Officer/Deputy City Manager Jason Neff, Police Captain Stephen Lopez, Planning Director Kyle Roberts, Police Lieutenant Curtis Chambers

Media Present: None

PRESENTATIONS

A. Status of Photo Radar Contract Negotiation and Item Coming to City Council on July 22, 2025

Police Lieutenant Curtis Chambers provided a presentation on the traffic photo enforcement project in advance of the upcoming request for Council authorization to begin contract negotiations with the recommended vendor. Implementation is expected to begin in September 2025. He reviewed the project timeline, request for proposal process, fiscal impacts of photo enforcement, and next steps.

The Council expressed concerns about verifying the accuracy of the equipment and acknowledged the project will be helpful as traffic safety is a top priority, and proven results are desired. Discussion regarded photo enforcement as a preferable alternative to speed cushions.

B. Miscellaneous Items - As Needed

The Council discussed the need to begin preliminary planning for the July 4, 2026, Anniversary Celebration. Ideas included hosting a large public event with Deschutes County Fairgrounds involvement, a potential drone show, and seeking private sponsorship. The idea of a large, early evening celebration in Centennial Park was well received. The anniversary could serve as a soft bridge toward maintaining the fireworks ban.

Mayor Fitch stated he will email the Council a list of ideas, then they can send their ideas to City Manager Keith Witcosky, who will compile them. The Council will also coordinate with City commissions and committees and plan to meet with Rotary, Kiwanis, and other groups. He confirmed staff should submit the form for a fighter jet flyover during the parade and recommended the Council participate with a float.

Deputy City Manager Steve Ashworth noted invitations will be sent next week for the Northpoint Vista groundbreaking on August 5, 2025.

City Manager Witcosky announced the ribbon cuttings for the Redmond Wetlands Complex and the new Public Safety Facility and noted Planning Director Kyle Roberts has made progress working with Hayes McCoy to revise the Cinderview West development based on the Council's feedback.

The Council supported discussing a potential Code requirement that all subdivision layouts include consideration of fire access.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 3:42 pm.

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

APPROVED by the City Council and SIGNED by the Mayor this 26th day of August 2025.

/s/ Ed Fitch
Ed Fitch, Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Kelly Morse
Kelly Morse, City Recorder