

**Redmond City Council
Workshop Minutes**

January 12, 2026

Executive Conference Room & Remote Video Conferencing

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Present: Clifford Evelyn, Ed Fitch, Kathryn Osborne, Jay Patrick, Shannon Wedding (Virtual), Cat Zwicker

Excused: John Nielsen

Staff Present: City Manager Keith Witcosky; Deputy City Manager Steve Ashworth; City Recorder Kelly Morse; City Attorney Keith Leitz; Deputy City Manager/Chief Financial Officer Jason Neff; Public Works Director/City Engineer Jessica MacClanahan; Police Chief Devin Lewis; Planning Manager Kyle Roberts; Special Projects and Natural Resource Program Manager Maria Ramirez; Public Works Operations Manager Joshua Wedding; Public Works Business & Strategic Initiatives Manager Lorelei Williams; Human Resources Director Jason Bavuso; Data and Asset Manager Levi Roberts; Assistant City Engineer Lindsey Crowsigt; Long-Range Planner Cory Murray; Public Works Operations Manager Ryan Kirchner

Media Present: None

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Fitch called the meeting to order at 3:02 pm.

PRESENTATIONS

A. Planning Related Development Code Amendments (Coming to City Council on February 10, 2026)

Planning Director Kyle Roberts presented proposed Development Code amendments, noting when the continued hearings on the amendments will occur. Both the alley standards and planter strip landscaping standards will be addressed within the Standards and Specifications document. Townhouse rear setbacks generated the most interest with stakeholders as staff proposes increasing the current 5-foot rear setback to 20 feet for rear-loaded townhouses in order to accommodate vehicle parking and keep residents from parking into alleys and blocking access. Visual examples were displayed.

Council discussion regarded the importance of livability, including parking for visitors and safety for children playing in alleys. Councilor Zwicker suggested allowing variances with 24-foot-deep garages and 8-foot doors, for one garage space and 15-foot driveways for one driveway space.

Council consented to the proposed 20-foot setback and allowing variance options for longer, deeper garages with 15-foot setbacks.

B. Enterprise Asset Management Initiative (Contract coming to City Council on January 27, 2026)

Public Works Director/City Engineer Jessica MacClanahan and Data and Asset Manager Levi Roberts presented the Enterprise Asset Management Initiative and explained why Trimble Unity Maintain (formerly CityWorks) was selected as the software solution and Timmons Group as the software implementer. Examples were provided of how the Asset Management Initiative would be used in tracking urban forestry tree maintenance, streamlining wastewater system assets and records, and managing work orders more efficiently to help in making staffing decisions.

C. Public Works Related Code Changes (Coming to City Council on February 10, 2026)

Ms. MacClanahan and Assistant City Engineer Lindsey Crowsigt presented the proposed Public Works Code amendments to Urban Forestry Management, Irrigation Regulations, Cross Connection/Backflow Prevention, the Cemetery, and System Development Charges (SDC) which included housekeeping updates to align the Municipal Code with existing City practices.

The Council suggested the City provide pruning services for a fee or have a contract with a pruning service to address concerns about residents being able to reach a 14-foot pruning height. Extending the morning watering cutoff from 7:00 am to 8:00 am or 8:30 am was suggested to accommodate residents without automatic watering systems.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

Mayor Fitch reported meeting with the Central Oregon Community College's (COCC) Real Estate Committee Thursday and providing the City's approximately \$125,000 proposal. Laura Cooper asked for time to consider the proposal, but he has not heard anything back. The COCC Board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday. He told COCC that the City needed a decision this week or a redesign would be necessary.

Public Works Director/City Engineer McClanahan provided a presentation on the Wastewater SDC Update, noting the Council adopted the Wastewater Collection System Master Plan in July 2025. The proposed maximum defensible SDC amount is \$8,085, about a 51% increase over current SDCs. Mayor Fitch noted the Council had discussed a tiered or staggered approach similar to the Transportation SDCs rather than starting at the maximum rate. Staff confirmed that the 90-day notice does not specify the amount but sets the public hearing date and also confirmed the methodology report will be available 60 days prior to hearing. The Council can continue discussions about implementing the SDCs. The Council concurred to proceed with the 90-day notice and begin outreach.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 3:53 pm.

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Reviewed by Kelly Morse, City Recorder

APPROVED by the City Council and SIGNED by the Mayor this 10th day of March 2026.

/s/ Ed Fitch
Ed Fitch, Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Kelly Morse
Kelly Morse, City Recorder