

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL JOINT WORKSHOP OF THE CITY OF REDMOND AND DESCHUTES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS WAS HELD NOVEMBER 9, 2021, VIA GOTOMEETING.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Jon Bullock – Krisanna Clark-Endicott – George Endicott – Clifford Evelyn – Ed Fitch – Jay Patrick – Shannon Wedding

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Patti Adair – Phil Chang – Tony DeBone

STAFF PRESENT: City Manager Keith Witcosky – City Attorney Keith Leitz – Airport Director Zachary Bass – Police Chief Dave Tarbet – Police Captain Devin Lewis – Public Works Director Bill Duerden – City Recorder Kelly Morse – Deputy City Manager John Roberts – IT Manager Matt Hayes – Chief Financial Officer Jason Neff – Accounting and Financial Reporting Director Brooks Slyter – Communications Director Heather Cassaro – Josh Hoff – Wastewater Division Manager Ryan Kirchner

OTHERS PRESENT: Deschutes County Administrator Nick Lelack – Deschutes County Director of Public Works Chris Doty – Operation Officer Chris Weiler, Deschutes County Health Services – Community Development Director Peter Gutowsky

MEDIA PRESENT: None

Mayor Endicott and Chair DeBone called the workshop to order at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENTATIONS / DISCUSSIONS

A. Redmond Wetlands Complex: Project Update and City/County Memorandum of Understanding

Deschutes County Director of Public Works Chris Doty walked through the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for a future sanitary system in Terrebonne which does not currently have a sewer system. The County was made aware of the opportunity to partner on a future sanitary district with the City of Redmond as it creates the Redmond Wetlands Complex (RWC). The Board would contribute \$1 million to the RWC to purchase capacity for Terrebonne.

Wastewater Division Manager Ryan Kirchner provided a presentation on the RWC and sought approval, of the MOU to further coordinate efforts regarding the viability of connecting Terrebonne's community septic systems to the RWC. He noted a key element of the MOU is that the County will continue to assist Terrebonne with the formation of a Terrebonne sewer district. The City and County will continue to pursue a binding Intergovernmental Agreement to further define the terms and connection to the RWC.

Mr. Doty and Mr. Kirchner addressed questions from the Council and Board regarding failing septic systems, Terrebonne's effect on Redmond's system and impacts should a Terrebonne sewer district fail to form.

B. Skyline Village Project Status

Deputy City Manager John Roberts provided an update on Skyline Village. Highlights included an overview of the location, land use entitlement, and where the project is headed in the next few months. He noted the project moved forward because of the County's ability to donate land to Redmond in December 2019. Mr. Roberts discussed the timeline of the project and Request for Qualifications for a master developer, noting the goal is to start construction in late 2022. Mr. Roberts answered questions on whether the master developer would also build part of the project.

C. Deschutes County North County Campus

Deschutes County Health Services Operations Officer Chris Weiler stated the County has taken a careful look at the way in which it delivers behavioral health and public health services in the Redmond area. He notes the Board wanted to ensure the multimillion-dollar investment in a North County campus made sense and would be the right thing for the Redmond, surrounding communities, and the clients.

He explained that plans for the new location begins with the identifying needs, noting the fundamental limitation with County Health Services in Redmond is not being able to provide the same level or degree of services as they do in the Bend area, partly due to the restriction in the amount of space Health Services had to work with. Many Redmond residents go to Bend to receive services. Looking to the future, the County needs to ensure the ideal services could be provided in the Redmond area as well. The County was also interested in determining what other County services could have a presence at this site to further benefit people in the area. The proposed location is 236 and 244 NW Kingwood Avenue, just south of the St. Charles Hospital.

D. Redmond Public Safety Facility: Project Overview

Mr. Witcosky provided an update on the City's proposed Public Safety Facility (PSF), highlighting various department service needs as well as building uses and how Redmond's current police station is suboptimal in many of those areas. The current station is approximately 13,000 square feet and sits on a one-acre lot. The City recently closed on land that is about eight acres with an adjacent six or seven acres the City will pursue as well which would enable the site to expand in the future.

Mr. Witcosky described the current facility's deficiencies, noting that last year, there were more than 500 hours of maintenance costing \$30,000. There is insufficient room for storage and examination of evidence and records and no command center, privacy for the investigators, or secure officer parking. The PSF will address these and many more deficiencies.

The estimated cost of the new facility is \$25 million to \$30 million. He notes the goal is to build a facility that is 35,000 to 40,000 square feet, which is in line with other communities similar in size to Redmond. The City is working with the architecture design firm that did City Hall.

Mr. Witcosky provided information on funding for the PSF, project timeline, and sample polling conducted by the Gallitan Group last July.

Councilor Patrick thanked the County for contributing \$900,000 for Bethlehem Inn, which saves the City of Redmond money for the PSF.

Commissioner Chang believes the high favorability poll result for mental health services suggests the people of Redmond have a broad view of public safety and where investments can be made in services to improve and protect public safety.

Chair DeBone thanked Chief Tarbet for his service upon his retirement.

OTHER BUSINESS

There being no further business the workshop was adjourned at 7:09 p.m.

Prepared by ABC Transcription Service and reviewed by Kelly Morse, City Recorder

APPROVED by the City Council and SIGNED by the Mayor this 12th day of April 2022.

/s/ George Endicott
George Endicott, Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Kelly Morse
Kelly Morse, City Recorder