



Neighborhood News

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City of Redmond, Planning Department, (425) 556-2440

The Bear Creek Neighborhood Plan Update Kick-off

Welcome to a special edition of Neighborhood News for the Bear Creek Neighborhood. All who live, work, or own property in the Bear Creek neighborhood are invited to become part of the neighborhood planning process that will consider the future of the neighborhood over a 20-year time horizon.

Although the Bear Creek neighborhood is small in

area, it is great in its diversity of land uses that have evolved over many decades. In order to address the next 20 years, City staff will soon begin an update to the Bear Creek neighborhood plan, together with those who have a stake in the neighborhood's future.

Stakeholders will assist with and guide discussions that relate to many aspects of living,

working, and recreating within the Bear Creek neighborhood. Discussion items undergo an extensive public review and feedback process. The results then become recommendations for update to neighborhood policies and regulations that speak to the long-term future of the Bear Creek neighborhood

Please read further to find out how you may become part of this process!

Staying Informed

There are many ways to keep up to date with the Bear Creek neighborhood plan update:

- **Neighborhood Web:** <http://www.redmond.gov/intheworks/BearCreek>
- **E-mail:** send your e-mail address to jchurchill@redmond.gov; a list of neighborhood contacts is maintained throughout the entire process
- **RCTV:** major events are posted to Redmond's Cable Channel 21
- **FOCUS and The Redmond Reporter:** major events and updates are also published periodically
- **Telephone:** the neighborhood lead, Jeff Churchill, 425-556-2492

Participation

All are invited to participate at whatever level they are able – we need your ideas and feedback!

The most active level of participation is as a member of the Bear Creek Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC). The CAC will include a group of ten to twelve people who represent the diversity of the neighborhood. The CAC will meet over the course of about one year to assist with developing the recommendations that make-up the neighborhood plan. Everyone is invited to attend CAC meetings.

The City will also host public open houses at key

points during the process to check-in with the neighborhood at large. Open houses offer all an opportunity to gauge the status of the neighborhood plan update and provide feedback to the work performed to date.

Everyone is encouraged to provide information by mail and email throughout the planning and update process.

Finally, CAC members will serve as liaisons between neighborhood stakeholders and the City. By sharing information with neighbors and providing feedback, each

CAC member will assist in building a plan that reflects the priorities of the neighborhood, while remaining consistent with the City's overall vision.

All information generated through stakeholder participation is shared with elected and appointed Redmond City officials.

See reverse for important details about the upcoming City Services Fair and how you can become part of the Citizen Advisory Committee!

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Bear Creek City Services Fair and Kick-off – April 13

Join your neighbors and Redmond staff at the kickoff event for the Bear Creek Neighborhood Plan Update process on Monday, April 13, from 5:00pm to 7:00pm! The event will take place at Redmond City Hall and will include light snacks.

Attendees will be asked to share their ideas and opinions about the future of the neighborhood, and

to share with City staff their top priorities for improving the neighborhood.

Redmond's Mayor Marchione will offer a welcome message around 5:15pm, followed by a brief presentation by City staff.

Please RSVP by April 9th by calling 425-556-2421. Questions may be

directed to the Neighborhood Plan Update Lead, Jeff Churchill, at 425-556-2492 or jchurchill@redmond.gov.

We look forward to seeing you on Monday, April 13th!

Become a Citizen Advisory Committee Member!

Bear Creek stakeholders who wish to become a member of the Bear Creek Neighborhood Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) should submit a Community Service Application, available at <http://www.redmond.gov/insidecityhall/boards/pdfs/communityserviceapplication.pdf>.

The deadline for applications is May 15, 2009, with interviews taking place thereafter.

The CAC is expected to commence its work in late summer 2009.

The CAC will meet approximately twice per month for about one year. Meetings are scheduled at a time most convenient for the group and run approximately two hours.

Additionally, CAC members will be asked to attend and have the option of hosting a coffee

klatch with small groups of neighbors. These sessions will be scheduled on an ad hoc basis at a convenient time.

CAC meetings will not take place during extended holiday periods or major school breaks.

Questions may be directed to Jeff Churchill at jchurchill@redmond.gov or 425-556-2492.

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