City of Redmond Planning Commission

October 26, 2011 Meeting Summary Redmond City Hall – Council Chambers 15670 NE 85th Street, Redmond, Washington

Planning Commissioners in Attendance

Franz Wiechers-Gregory, Vice Chair; Scott Biethan; Tom Flynn, Phil Miller and Bob O'Hara

Planning Commissioners Excused

Tom Hinman, Vibhas Chandorkar

Staff in Attendance

Sarah Stiteler, Planning Commission staff liaison; Jeff Churchill, Senior Planner and Kim Dietz, Senior Planner

Call to Order

Vice Chair Franz Wiechers-Gregory called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

Approval of the Agenda

The agenda was approved with a change proposed by staff to reverse items #4 and #5 on the agenda. The Commission unanimously approved the proposed change.

Items from the Audience

None

Briefing, Redmond Community Indicators and Implementation Actions.

Jeff Churchill, Senior Planner, gave a presentation about the Redmond Community Indicators program which he stated has been ongoing since 2005. He stated that the indicators are a means to measure progress towards implementing Comprehensive Plan goals and policies. This update to the indicators is timely as it coincides with the City's update to the Comprehensive Plan. Mr. Churchill stated that some implementation actions will need to be updated since they are completed and that the Community Indicators will be aligned as much as possible with the Budgeting by Priorities process. Mr. Churchill requested feedback on the general direction of the Community Indicators as well as provide any questions or comments for further discussion at the public hearing on November 9, 2011.

Report Approval, Small Animal Husbandry, including Backyard Chickens.

Kim Dietz, Senior Planner, requested the Commission's review and approval of the Planning Commission Report. Several Commissioners indicated that they did not feel that their recommendation for a required permit to allow chickens was emphasized strongly enough in the report. Based on Commissioner comments, Ms. Dietz presented several edits that provided clarity and emphasis of Commissioner recommendations. The majority of Commissioners was satisfied with the proposed edits and approved the report 4-1 with Commissioner Miller voting no.

Announcements and Scheduling

Sarah Stiteler reported on the City Council's second study session on the Package 2 amendments for the Comprehensive Plan Update. She noted that there is an additional study session scheduled for November 7, 2011 which will include discussion of the Introduction, Vision 2040 and reconciliation items, along with backyard chickens.

Adjourn

The Vice Chair adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:20 p.m.

Summary prepared by

Sarah Stiteler, Senior Planner / Planning Commission Staff Liaison