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## REDMOND URBAN AREA PLANNING COMMISSION

### Minutes

Tuesday, October 18, 2011

City Hall Conference Room A, 716 SW Evergreen Avenue, Redmond, Oregon

**Commissioners Present:** Vice Chair Will Van Vactor, Tory Allman, Bob Bleile, Stan Clark, Katie McDonald (*absent:* Eric Porter; 1 position vacant)

**City Staff:** Heather Richards, *Community Development Director*; James Lewis, *Long-Range Planner*; Cameron Prow, *TYPE-Write II*

**Visitors:** Libbi and Robert Albright, Camille McClafin

*(scribe CP's note: The minutes were created from an audio record and notes taken at the meeting. The three digits after the motion title shows the number of members voting in favor/against/abstaining.)*

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Van Vactor opened the meeting at 7:01 p.m. with a quorum present. Commissioner McDonald arrived at 7:05 p.m.

#### II. CITIZEN COMMENTS (None)

#### III. DISCUSSION/DELIBERATION

##### A. Wireless and Broadcast Communication Facilities (TA 11-06)

Mr. Lewis presented the staff report (October 18, 2011, memo) and reviewed Planning Commission-directed changes from the last meeting that were based on citizen, legal counsel, and staff comments.

Following discussion, Commissioners agreed **by consensus** to support compliance with the federal Telecommunications Act and avoid legal challenges for the City by not adding Bruce White's suggested language about siting these facilities within specific areas of residential zones.

**Motion 1** (5/0/0): Commissioner Clark moved that the Planning Commission recommend to City Council the adoption of TA 11-06, Redmond Development Code Amendments, to repeal in their entirety Sections 8.0400 through 8.0490, Tower and Antenna Standards, and add Sections 8.0400 through 8.0450, Wireless and Broadcast Communication Facilities, subject to modification of the following sections: 8.0410 (Definitions): "**Enclosure** means an area, fenced or otherwise delineated, around the perimeter on which the equipment building, shelter, cabinet, or other ancillary facilities are located." "**Facility**, as used in this Chapter, is inclusive of all the elements of wireless or broadcast communication facilities, as they may be more specifically defined herein." 8.0430(1)(B) (General Development Standards, Visual Impact), Sentence 4 to read: "Towers clustered on the same site shall be of similar height and design unless the existing tower does not comply with the standards herein, in which case the new facility must comply with

the standards prescribed herein.” Commissioner Allman seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Mr. Allman left at 7:30 p.m.

#### IV. WORK SESSION

##### A. Redmond Development Commission – Strategic Plan Comments

Mr. Lewis presented his staff report (October 18, 2011, memo) plus a new draft which included Planning Commission comments from the last meeting.

**Motion 2** (4/0/0): Commissioner Clark moved that the Planning Commission recommend sending its official comments to the Redmond Development Commission including the following changes from tonight’s discussion: **Livability-Attractiveness:** Strategy 1, Action A: Add a task to “implement the Highway 97 Beautification Plan” (move from current location under Strategy 3, Action B). Strategy 3, Action B: Add a task to identify significant viewsheds for preservation. **Livability-Downtown:** Strategy 1, Action B: Add tasks to “provide signage and areas for oversized-vehicle parking.” Strategies 1 and 2: Add a task to “adopt and implement the Redmond Bicycle Refinement Plan.” Strategy 2, Action C: Add tasks to “provide adequate pedestrian access between commercial uses and other zones” and “provide adequate bicycle transportation between commercial uses and other zones.” For safety, pedestrian and bicycle transportation systems should be separated. Commissioner McDonald seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Ms. Richards said that staff will review all comments and suggestions made by the Planning Commission and site them in appropriate places within the draft Strategic Plan.

#### V. 2012 WORK PLAN

Discussion postponed to the next meeting.

#### VI. CITY COUNCIL LIAISON COMMENTS (None)

#### VII. STAFF COMMENTS

Mr. Lewis said that City Council will hold a work session on the Wireless and Broadcast Communication Facility amendments at its October 19 meeting. City Council will probably schedule a public hearing on this issue for November 8, 2011. Also on the November 8 agenda will be the continued public hearing on the Mixed Use Live/Work Zone.

#### VIII. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Vice Chair Van Vactor reported that Chair Porter was concerned about the City’s allowing a reduction in parking for a multi-family complex in a recent land use decision (SP 11-04). If not yet resolved, Chair Porter wants the Planning Commission to review it. Mr. Bleile said that he agreed with Chair Porter that this issue deserved further study. Mr. Clark reported receiving a letter today from Mr. Cook that the decision had been withdrawn.

Ms. Richards said that she will e-mail the results of her investigation into this issue to Commissioners on October 19, 2011. She will also confirm that the Planning Commission will be able to make a legal decision on this issue via e-mail.

#### IX. ADJOURN

With no further business, Vice Chair Van Vactor adjourned the meeting at 8 p.m.

APPROVED by the Redmond Urban Area Planning Commission and SIGNED by me this  
17th day of January, 2012.

ATTEST:

/s/ Eric Porter for Will Van Vactor

Will Van Vactor, Vice Chair