

**REDMOND CITY COUNCIL
JOINT MEETING WITH THE FIRE SERVICES FORUM
AND STUDY SESSION**

April 26, 2011

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Fire District No. 34

Peter Lucarelli, Commissioner, Chair
Thomas Johnston, Commissioner
Fred Shanafeldt, Commissioner
Bridget Weaver, Secretary

JOINT MEETING WITH FIRE SERVICES FORUM SUMMARY

Convened: 7:30 p.m.

Adjourned: 8 p.m.

Councilmember Cole opened the joint meeting and welcomed the Fire District No. 34 Commissioners. Councilmembers and Commissioners introduced themselves.

Ms. Jane Christenson, Deputy City Administrator and Interim Fire Chief, overview the agenda for the evening; and presented information on the Operational Services Plan and the NORCOM Technology Update.

Ms. Christenson reviewed the Operational Services Plan:

- Operational Services Plan: District-Focused Performance Measures;
 - key element of the City of Redmond and Fire District No. 34 agreement;
 - translates Budgeting by Priorities (BP) offers into District-focused performance measures;
 - identifies District data needs; and
 - establishes performance measure reporting in tandem with City efforts.

Mr. Peter Lucarelli, Fire District No. 34 Commissioner, Chair, spoke regarding the Operation Services Plan and introduced Commissioner Fred Shanafeldt.

Ms. Christenson provided a NORCOM update:

- NORCOM Technology Implementation Update;
 - background:
 - March 2008 – choice of principal or subscriber status; Redmond chooses subscriber; has some concerns regarding the technology aspect;
 - August 2009 – technology delayed;
 - December 2009 – extension of subscriber agreement through 2014;
 - NORCOM Kick-off in January 2010 with a February go-live target;
 - system development (CAD, RMS, mobile, patient care reporting); go-live pushed to May 2011;
 - core system elements in various stages of readiness, leading to further delays and decoupling of go-live and system acceptance;
 - extension for use of grant money for development of tech product – through the end of 2011;
 - go-live target date rescheduled; allowing for additional time for finalization and testing;
 - Redmond’s 2014 planning horizon allows sufficient lead time to evaluate 2011 tech implementation in context of 2013 REDCOM CAD replacement.

General discussion ensued regarding delays, impending CAD replacement, 2009 system analysis, future system analysis, analysis of NORCOM vs. REDCOM, and the finalization and testing of the NORCOM tech product.

STUDY SESSION SUMMARY

Convened: 8:05 p.m.

Adjourned: 10:30 p.m.

Councilmember Cole opened the study session and overviewed the agenda for the evening.

Metro Strategic Plan and Policy Discussion:

Ms. Nina Rivkin, Chief Policy Advisor, and Mr. Terry Marpert, Senior Planner, presented information on the King County Metro Transit Strategic Plan for Public Transportation 2011-2021:

- Council Briefing:
 - Review:
 - Proposed Transit Plan and Service Guidelines;
 - Transit Service under the Plan and Guidelines;
 - Review and Discuss:
 - Proposed Preliminary Suburban Cities Association (SCA) Policy Position;
- Plan Development and Adoption:
 - Regional Transit Task Force (2010);
 - King County Executive transmitted Plan to King County (February 2011);
 - King County Council review regional plan;
 - Regional Transit Committee (June 2011)

- Transportation, Energy and Environmental Committee (June-July 2011);
 - King County Council review regional plan;
 - King County Council adopt plan (July-August 2011);
- Transit Plan and Service Guidelines:
 - Transit Plan – new 10-year plan;
 - guide Metro and transit service;
 - mission;
 - goals, objectives, strategies and performance measures;
 - Services Guidelines;
 - design transit service (routes);
 - determine allocation of transit service;
 - performance management;

- Transit Plan Goals:

What We Deliver

Safety
 Human Potential
 Economic Growth and Build Environment
 Environmental Sustainability

How We Deliver

Service Excellence
 Financial Stewardship
 Public Engagement and Transparency
 Quality Workforce

- Transit Service Guidelines:
 - policy direction to Metro on provision of transit service;
 - address allocation of transit service;
 - address service reductions, additions, and restructures;
 - transit service allocated differently than under current plans and policies;
 - determine level and frequency of service;
 - focus on productivity;
 - provide geographic value and social equity;
 - geographic value: regional growth centers, manufacturing and industrial centers, activity centers;
 - social equity: low income and minority populations;
- Transit Service Guidelines – Productivity:
 - Productivity (Performance) Measures:
 - rides per platform hour;
 - passenger miles per platform mile;
 - Productivity Analysis – routes grouped into two markets:
 - 1) serving Seattle core (central business district/UW);
 - 2) serving all areas outside of Seattle core (all other areas);
 - Identify high and low performance routes;
 - low performance routes – bottom 25 percent;
 - high performance routes – remaining routes;
- Transit Service under the Guidelines:
 - 2011 transit service:
 - Metro service: 3.5 million hours;
 - Metro Redmond service: 242,000 hours;
 - Sound Transit Redmond service: 114,000 hours;
 - Transit service under Guidelines:
 - Service reduction scenario – 600,000 hours;

- 600,000 Hour Service Reduction Scenario:

Area	Current hours (percent of total hours)	Hours cut	Percent cut	Hours cut as percent of 600,000	Remaining hours (percent of total hours)
East <i>Redmond</i>	596,000 (17%) 242,000	134,000 50,000	22% 21%	22%	462,000 (16%) 192,000
South	760,000 (21%)	140,000	18%	23%	620,000 (21%)
West	2,129,000 (62%)	326,000	15%	55%	1,813,000 (63%)
TOTAL	3,485,000 (100%)	600,000		100%	2,895,000 (100%)

- Types of Transit Service:
 - Peak Commuter;
 - Local;
 - Frequent Local;
- Reduction Scenario – Redmond Impact:
 - 2011 Service – 242,000 hours;
 - Peak Commuter – 56,731 hours (23%);
 - Local – 86,302 (36%);
 - Frequent Local – 99,148 (41%);
 - Reduction Scenario – 192,000 hours;
 - Peak Commuter – 28,829 hours (15%);
 - Local – 68,061 (35%);
 - Frequent Local – 95,048 (50%);
 - Percent of 50,000 hour reduction:
 - Frequent Local – 4,100 hours, 8%;
 - Local – 18,646 hours, 37%;
 - Peak Commuter – 27,902 hours, 55%;
 - Reduction by type from 2011:
 - Frequent Local – 4,100 hours, 4% reduction;
 - Local – 18,646 hours, 22% reduction;
 - Peak Commuter – 27,902 hours, 49% reduction;
- Transit Plan Implementation:
 - Plan and Service Guidelines;
 - adopted by King County council (summer);
 - Metro’s budget 2012-2013:
 - Executive transmits to Council (fall, 2011)
 - County Council adopts (fall, 2011);
 - Service Changes:
 - implemented 2012 (starting in February and/or June);
- Suburban Cities Association (SCA) Preliminary Draft Position:
 - SCA Public Issues Committee (PIC);
 - Preliminary position (April 13, 2011);
 - Further review and potential amendments (May 11 and potentially June 8);
 - Adopt policy position (May 11 or June 8);
 - SCA Position – guides suburban representatives on Regional Transit committee;

- draft position:
 - Policy 1: administrative, system-wide costs, and efficiency measures;
 - Policy 2: balanced prioritization of productivity, geographic value, social equity;
 - Policy 3: performance measures and guidelines reflect suburban areas;
 - Policy 4: geographic balance in service allocation;
 - Policy 5: information on alternative service for low productivity routes in outlying areas;
 - Policy 6: social equity guidelines focus on transit dependent population;
 - Policy 7: feedback procedures/opportunity to review and amend guidelines;
 - Policy 8: policymakers have scenario info prior to plan adoption; and
- Council questions and/or comments.

General discussion ensued throughout and after the presentation regarding:

- related discussion at Suburban Cities Association (PIC) and the Regional Transit Committee meetings;
- definition/measurement of productivity; productivity standards;
- revenues vs. expenses;
- the two service areas (Seattle core; all other areas);
- definition/measurement of ‘hour of service’;
- what is considered a ‘Redmond route’; proposed cuts of ‘Redmond routes’;
- proposed cuts (as represented in the reduction scenario) and affects on ridership;
- definition/measurement of ‘social equity’;
- SB5457, transit congestion surcharge;
- Suburban Cities Association (SCA) Preliminary Draft Position; policies;
- Metro’s 40/40/20 rule; and
- possible formulation of Redmond position on transit plan and draft policy.

Council Talk Time

Council President Richard Cole opened discussion on King County redistricting, and submission of a Council position on this matter. Comments must be submitted by early June. General discussion ensued regarding attendance at an upcoming King County Districting Committee public meeting (specifically May 11, 2011, at Robert Frost Elementary School in Kirkland), and support for submitting a written statement from the Redmond City Council.

Council President Richard Cole opened discussion on possible interim options for electronic packets. Councilmembers shared needs and wants related to electronic packet options and devices; no interim option was chosen. Councilmembers and Finance and Information Services Director Mike Bailey will begin research into available device options.

Councilmember Hank Myers queried whether the Council would like to participate, and challenge, other local council members to participate in the NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) Washington Walk; to be held in Kirkland on May 14, 2011. Councilmembers confirmed interest in participation; and suggested Councilmember Myers reach out to council members of local jurisdictions.