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Quasi-judicial Policies &
Rules for Council

ORDINANCE NO. 1630

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AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF REDMOND, WASHINGTON,
ADDING A NEW SECTION 2.04.255 TO THE REDMOND
MUNICIPAL CODE TO SET FORTH ADDITIONAL POLICIES
AND RULES FOR COUNCIL PARTICIPATION IN QUASI-
JUDICIAL MATTERS.

WHEREAS, the City Council has reviewed its rules of
procedure relating to quasi-judicial matters and has determined
that additional statements of policy should be made, and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that, as a
matter of general policy, Council members should not attend
meetings of other City boards and commissions related to quasi-
judicial matters then pending before the City Council, although
the Council does not wish to mandate such nonattendance, and

WHEREAS, the City Council has further determined that
its members may visit sites involved in quasi-judicial
proceedings as a means of better understanding the evidence to be
presented to the City Council in any such matter, now, therefore,

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDMOND, WASHINGTON,
HEREBY ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Council Rules Amended. A new Section
2.04.255 is hereby added to the Redmond Municipal Code to read as
follows:

2.04.255 Quasi-Judicial Matters.

- A. It is the policy of the City Council that
its members should not attend meetings of
other City boards and commissions
concerning quasi-judicial matters which

are then pending before the City and which will ultimately be decided by the Council.

- B. Whenever a quasi-judicial matter pending before the City Council involves a specific site, each member of the Council may visit the site prior to the making of a final decision in order to better understand the evidence to be presented. At the public hearing, Council members should disclose what information was observed.

Section 2. Severability. If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance should be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance.

Section 3. Effective Date. This ordinance, being an administrative action, is not subject to referendum and shall take effect five (5) days after this ordinance or a summary thereof consisting of the title is published.

APPROVED:

Doreen Marchione
MAYOR, DOREEN MARCHIONE

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:

Sandra D. Marin
for CITY CLERK, DORIS SCHAIBLE

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY:

BY: [Signature]

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