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1997 General Sewer Plan

ORDINANCE NO. 1948

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF REDMOND, WASHINGTON, DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND AMENDING POLICY UT-17 AND MAP U-3 IN THE CITY OF REDMOND COMPREHENSIVE PLAN IN ORDER TO ADOPT THE 1997 DRAFT GENERAL SEWER PLAN, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.

WHEREAS, Policy UT-17 and Map U-3 of the Redmond Comprehensive Plan adopt the City of Redmond Comprehensive Sanitary Sewer Study, 1987, and the Avondale Sewer Study, 1990, as the City's Wastewater Facility Plan, and

WHEREAS, the adopted plans are outdated and do not provide sufficient infrastructure to accommodate the rapid growth that the City of Redmond is experiencing, and

WHEREAS, if the current plans continue to be used, the City will not have adequate sewer infrastructure to accommodate its growth and to meet its growth targets as mandated in the Countywide Planning Policies, and

WHEREAS, in order to encourage coordinated and efficient development and to ensure that adequate facilities and services will be available as development occurs, the City of Redmond has prepared a Draft General Sewer Plan which identifies where new or improved facilities will be required to accommodate the anticipated growth within the urban growth area, as well as expected costs for construction of these improvements, and

WHEREAS, a Determination of Non-Significance was issued for the Draft General Sewer Plan by the City's SEPA responsible official on March 27, 1997, and no written or oral comments were submitted during the required comment period for the DNS, and

WHEREAS, the City's Technical Committee has reviewed the Draft General Sewer Plan and has recommended its adoption with changes, which have been incorporated into the Plan, and

WHEREAS, the Redmond Planning Commission held a public hearing on the Draft General Sewer Plan on May 21, 1997, and, after hearing testimony from all persons who appeared at the hearing and expressed a desire to testify, forwarded a recommendation to the City Council that the Plan be approved, and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that the 1997 Draft General Sewer Plan should be approved as an emergency comprehensive plan amendment pursuant to RCW 36.70A.130(2)(b) in order to ensure that adequate infrastructure will be available and that development which occurs will participate in the construction of that adequate infrastructure as provided in the Plan, NOW, THEREFORE,

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDMOND, WASHINGTON, DO
ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Declaration of Emergency. For the reasons set forth in the recitals above, the City Council hereby declares that an emergency exists necessitating the immediate amendment of the Redmond Comprehensive Plan in order to adopt the 1997 Draft General Sewer Plan. The City Council finds that appropriate public participation in the development of the 1997 Draft General Sewer Plan has occurred through the SEPA and Planning Commission hearing processes. The City Council also finds that adoption of the Draft General Sewer Plan is necessary in order to avoid having inadequate infrastructure to accommodate the rapid growth the City is experiencing and that unless the Draft General Sewer Plan is adopted immediately, the facilities to be constructed pursuant to the existing adopted plans will not provide that infrastructure and will render the Land Use Element of the City's Comprehensive Plan inconsistent with the Utilities Element.

Section 2. Adoption of Additional Findings. In support of the amendments provided in this ordinance, the City Council hereby adopts the findings and conclusions set forth in the Planning Commission's report to the City Council on the Draft General Sewer Plan and in the Staff Report to the Council on the same subject. Pursuant to Policy LU-148, the City Council has determined that the amendments set forth in this ordinance satisfy the criteria for comprehensive plan amendments provided in said Policy. In support of that determination, the City Council adopts the analysis set forth in the document entitled "Consistency with Comprehensive Plan Amendment Criteria" attached hereto as Exhibit B and incorporated herein by this reference as if set forth in full.

Section 3. Adoption of Emergency Amendments. Policy UT-17 of the City of Redmond Comprehensive Plan is amended to adopt the 1997 Draft General Sewer Plan and to read as follows:

UT-17 The following plans shall be the Facility Plans of the City and are hereby adopted by reference:

WATER: The Redmond Water System Plan, May, 1992;

WASTEWATER: The City of Redmond Draft General Sewer Plan,
1997;

STORMWATER: The Comprehensive Drainage and Storm Plan, 1964.

In addition, Map U-3 is hereby amended to read as set forth in Exhibit A to this ordinance, attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference as if set forth in full. A copy of the 1997 Draft General Sewer Plan shall be maintained in the Office of the City Clerk for inspection by the public.

Section 4. 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.

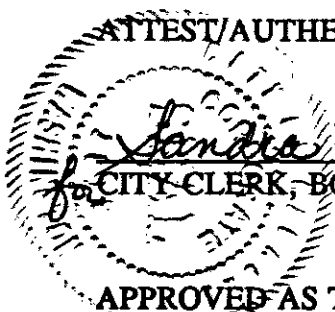
Section 5. Effective Date. This ordinance, having been declared an emergency and having been passed by a vote of at least a majority plus one of the entire membership of the City Council, shall take effect and be in full force immediately upon passage. The City Clerk is directed to publish a summary of this ordinance as soon as possible.

CITY OF REDMOND



MAYOR ROSEMARIE IVES

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:



Bonnie Mattson
CITY CLERK, BONNIE MATTSON

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY:

By: 

FILED WITH THE CITY CLERK:	July 29, 1997
PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL:	August 19, 1997
SIGNED BY THE MAYOR:	August 20, 1997
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CONSISTENCY WITH COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT CRITERIA

1. Consistency with the Growth Management Act, the Procedural Criteria, and the Countywide Planning Policies.

There are several Countywide Planning Policies which affect the General Sewer Plan. These policies are briefly described as follows:

FW-13: States that cities should be the provider of urban services, either directly or by contract. The General Sewer Plan is consistent with this policy, as it describes implementation standards for providing services within the City and Urban Growth Area.

LU-31: Requires each city to designate a potential annexation area, including a schedule for providing urban services and facilities within the potential annexation area. The GSP is consistent with this policy as it describes needed infrastructure improvements within the annexation areas to accommodate growth as it occurs in these areas.

FW-29: Requires planning for and financing of services to be coordinated among jurisdictions to direct and prioritize facility improvements. The General Sewer Plan calls for coordination of services with adjacent cities and service districts to ensure efficient service provision and financing of improvements.

FW-30: Requires jurisdictions to identify services and achieve adopted service levels. In accordance with this policy, the General Sewer Plan identifies needed construction and establishes levels of service anticipated to accommodate growth.

CO-8: Requires identification of alternatives such as decentralized treatment, wastewater reclamation, and reuse to reduce demand on the METRO system. Preparation of the GSP included an analysis of alternative wastewater treatment facilities/reuse options. However, due to a number of factors including cost and distance to secondary effluent facilities, this is not seen as a viable option at this time. However, the Plan encourages examination of alternative programs being developed by King County to reduce costs associated with reuse and reclamation.

CO-13: Allows urban sewer system extensions in unincorporated King County consistent with the provisions of the county's Sewerage General Plan, and the City's policies with respect to annexation. With exception to areas served by the City under separate agreement with adjoining jurisdictions, including the Bear Creek UPD's in unincorporated King County, the City's General Sewer Plan does not propose extension of services outside the Urban Growth Area.

CO-14: Restricts the expansion of sewer systems to rural areas, except where needed to address specific health and safety concerns. The General Sewer Plan has been prepared to

accommodate growth in accordance with land use patterns described in the City's Comprehensive Plan, with limited service extensions to areas such as the Sammamish Valley where less intense development is planned.

2. Consistency with the Comprehensive Plan policies and the designation criteria.

Land use and growth projections described in the Comprehensive Plan were utilized in determining the anticipated sewer service and infrastructure needs in each basin. Therefore, the General Sewer Plan is consistent with the Comprehensive plan policies and designation criteria.

3. The capability of the land including the prevalence of sensitive areas.

Implementation of the General Sewer Plan will typically occur in conjunction with other planned growth within the City, and construction of the improvements described in the Sewer Plan will be conducted within existing or planned rights-of-way. This will result in minimal disturbance to sensitive areas. However, each phase of construction will be required to undergo separate environmental analysis, at which time any site specific concerns will be addressed.

4. Consistency with the preferred growth and development patterns in the Land Use Chapter of the Comprehensive Plan.

In preparing the General Sewer Plan, the build-out projections within each basin were considered so as to be consistent with the land use patterns described in the Comprehensive Plan. The build-out projections were used to evaluate existing conditions and determine future capacity needs.

5. The capacity of public facilities and services and whether public facilities and services can be provided cost effectively at the intensity allowed by the designation.

The General Sewer Plan is intended to provide an additional mechanism to evaluate needed infrastructure improvements within the City, including the capacity of the existing facilities and services to accommodate growth. In addition, the Plan provides analyses of the anticipated costs of needed improvements, which is to be used by the City in preparing its capital improvements funding programs.

6. Whether the allowed uses are compatible with nearby uses.

The General Sewer Plan is consistent with the Land Use element of the Comprehensive Plan, and takes into account the projected growth within the City and Urban Growth Area.

7. If the purpose of the amendment is to change the allowed uses in an area, the need for the land uses which would be allowed by the Comprehensive Plan change and whether the change would result in the loss of the capacity to accommodate other needed land

uses, especially whether the proposed change compiles with the policy on no-net loss of housing capacity.

There is no change in land use proposed in the General Sewer Plan. Rather, it works in conjunction with the Comprehensive Plan and anticipated land uses within each sewer basin. In addition, the GSP provides the City with a tool to analyze capacity needs, and provide needed improvements as growth occurs. Finally, implementation of the GSP will not result in any net loss of housing capacity.

- 8. For issues which have been considered within the last four annual updates or comprehensive land use plan map amendments, whether there has been a change in circumstances that makes the proposed plan designation or policy change appropriate or whether the amendment is needed to remedy a mistake.**

The General Sewer Plan was prepared to replace a similar document which was adopted by the City in 1987. Therefore, it has been more than four years since this issue has been considered by the City. The Plan has been prepared consistent with the requirements of the Growth Management Act, as well as the City's adopted Comprehensive Plan in order to assist the City in meeting its goals and policies for accommodating growth.

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