RESOLUTION NO. 900

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDMOND, WASHINGTON CALLING FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF DESIGNATION OF THE OVERLAKE AND DOWNTOWN DISTRICTS AS URBAN CENTERS

WHEREAS, the Vision 2020 Plan is the regionally adopted long-range planning framework for guiding growth and transportation for Central Puget Sound; and

WHEREAS, the Vision 2020 Plan is based upon a strategy of focusing growth in existing urban centers to be connected by a regional rapid transit system; and

WHEREAS, the Vision 2020 Plan identifies the Overlake District and the Redmond Central Business District as candidate urban centers to be served by a regional rapid transit system, and

WHEREAS, the City of Redmond has by resolution endorsed the Vision 2020 regional transportation plan and the urban centers strategy described therein; and

WHEREAS, the Growth Management Planning Council has adopted draft Countywide Planning Policies under the authority of the Growth Management Act to guide land use and transportation development; and

WHEREAS, the draft Countywide Planning Policies are based upon the Vision 2020 urban centers strategy, identify criteria for designation of centers, and mandate a process for

the designation of specific urban centers to be completed by December 1, 1992; and

WHEREAS, elected officials and staff from the City of Redmond are now engaged in a range of planning activities related to the designation of urban centers and the development of a high capacity transit plan; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the City of Redmond at this time to provide a clear expression of intent in regards to the urban center designation process and the high capacity transit planning process; and

WHEREAS, both existing and proposed land use plans and zoning in both the Overlake and Downtown districts provide for significant increases in jobs and housing over current levels; and

WHEREAS, the Redmond City Council Regional Affairs Committee discussed the Growth Management Planning Council Countywide Planning Policies and the designation of urban centers on May 12, 1992; and

WHEREAS, the Redmond City Council did agree the Overlake and Downtown districts should be designated urban centers, based on the information available at that time.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that (1) the City of Redmond has made a preliminary decision that Redmond request an urban center designation for the Overlake and Downtown districts from the Growth Management Planning Council, (2) subject to

designation of either or both of the districts as urban centers, the City of Redmond will complete new land use plans for the centers to further implement urban centers criteria and associated policies, and (3) this resolution shall be transmitted to the Suburban Cities Association, the Eastside Transportation Program Steering Committee, METRO, the Growth Management Planning Council, and the Puget Sound Regional Council.

RESOLVED this 16th day of June, 1992

APPROVED:

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