

PUGET SOUND REGIONAL COUNCIL PRIORITY PROJECT LIST

NARRATIVE PROJECT INFORMATION - October 2011

Due to Peter Heffernan (peter.heffernan@kingcounty.gov) no later than close of business Wednesday October 12.

Project Sponsor: *City of Redmond*

Project Name: *Cleveland Street & Redmond Way two-way conversion*

Project Location: *Redmond Way from 160th Avenue NE to Avondale Way, Cleveland Street from 160th Avenue NE to 168th Avenue NE*

What type of project is it: Support Centers X Corridors Serving Centers

Plan Consistency:

- Transportation 2040 project number: 4116 & 4117
- Is the project consistent with the Transportation 2040: Yes X No

Project Description - No more than two full page - (see evaluation criteria for information to include):

- Briefly describe the project

Convert Redmond Way from 160th Avenue NE to Avondale Way to one through lane in each direction and center turn lane with west end having two westbound lanes starting at 161st Avenue NE and east having two eastbound lanes starting at 168th Avenue NE. Convert Cleveland Street to one through lane in each direction.

- What is the intended outcome & benefit

The City of Redmond has a vision to reclaim downtown as a job-rich, economically healthy, people-friendly place - enhanced by the movement of pedestrians, bikes, cars and a diversity of businesses. The couplet project will help to meet the community's goal to have a vibrant downtown that is a magnet for jobs and investment – a destination hub with Cleveland Street

...serving as the heart of this Urban Center. This project completes the sixth and final phase of the plan for this center.

- 1). Bear Creek Parkway Extension = Fully Funded; Completed.
- 2). 161st Avenue Extension = Fully Funded; Completed
- 3). 164th Avenue Extension = Fully Funded; Design Underway.
- 4). Redmond Central Connector Trail = Fully Funded; Design Underway
- 5). Cleveland St. Streetscape = Fully Funded; Design begins Jan 2012

6). Cleveland Street & Redmond Way Two-Way Conversion = Needs funding, design is underway .

- Total investment in six-phases: \$60, 000,000 100%
- **Unfunded portion of this final phase:** \$11,000,000 18%

This project will reduce driver confusion; provide adequate capacity to move traffic at reasonable safe speeds; provide greater accessibility and improve conditions for pedestrians; gateway treatments; overall strengthening of the downtown business environment.

In particular: Streets will provide connectivity and circulation for all modes while maintaining a level of traffic flow consistent with an urban downtown - they accommodate and encourage the future land use vision. Designated parking areas are designed to be available for businesses, residents, visitors, and local deliveries. Facilities and services are designed to support the goal of having transit, walking, bicycling, and carpooling comprise a significant share of the trips to, from and within the downtown core. Transit mobility improvements along Redmond Way will support regional express routes including ST 545.

This projects adjacency to the converted Burlington Northern railroad right-of-way allows the urban center to integrate even greater access to future high capacity transit, non-motorized trail and other opportunities.

Project Status & Timeline

Where is the project at in development?

- *Design is underway.*

What is the timeline for this project from start to completion?

(Please identify the major phases)

- 2011-2013 Construction
- 2013-2015 Construction

Additional Comments

Conversion of the couplet is the final step required to transform a formerly job-scarce Downtown - into a job-rich Urban Center that supports and encourages a thriving economy .