

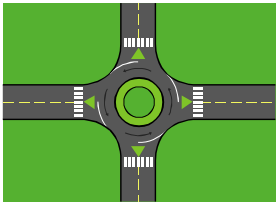
# REDMOND CONNECTION

THE CITY OF REDMOND'S OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER

## A Message from Our Mayor

**T**wo events have recently happened in Redmond. They are totally unrelated, but both deserve reporting.

The roundabout at South Canal Blvd and 27<sup>th</sup> Street opened about the first of May. It is the finishing project for the 27<sup>th</sup> Street reconstruction that started last fall. The construction of this roundabout in Redmond is the first major one for us. The direction to our staff was that it be of sufficient size so that large trucks could easily navigate it without a major disruption. We have succeeded.



There are several traffic devices that could have been used at this intersection. Until recently, there was a 2-way stop with through traffic on S. Canal. A few years ago we went to a 4-way stop. Traffic has continued to escalate, so we knew we needed an enhanced device when we reconstructed 27<sup>th</sup> Street. Our choices were a fully-signalized intersection or a roundabout. We chose a roundabout because traffic is "calmed" but also flows smoother overall. With the new high school being constructed just south of this intersection, the traffic engineers determined that large influxes of traffic before and after school would move more smoothly. An additional benefit is that negotiating a roundabout forces one to slow down to maneuver the intersection.

Those who have used this intersection are pleasantly

surprised at how well the roundabout works. A final word – PLEASE use your turn signal to exit the roundabout. It is a courtesy to notify those around you what your intentions are. It is also the law.

On May 8, 2012, I nominated and the Council confirmed the appointment of Tory Allman to the Redmond City Council to replace Margie Dawson, who moved out of the Redmond city limits. The Redmond City Charter requires a sitting councilor who does not meet the Charter requirements to step down. The Charter also dictates the procedure for replacing an elected official – the Mayor nominates and the Council confirms.

Tory comes to the Council with solid credentials. He manages the Cent-Wise Sporting Goods & Hardware store complex in the center of town. He chaired the Downtown Urban Renewal Advisory Committee. He also sat on the Urban Area Planning Commission. Tory's commitment to Redmond has been long-standing and consistent. He has volunteered for many events over the years, and is a solid citizen and a clear thinker. We are lucky to have him on the Council. Welcome aboard, Tory!

The Council is due to accept the budget later in May or June. I will report on the Budget once it is approved, probably the June newsletter. Suffice it to say, we will continue to provide our same level of services.

# ELECTION NOVEMBER 2012



## City of Redmond Mayor & City Council Open Positions

**Make a difference, consider serving your community!**

Please consider serving your community on the Redmond City Council. The four positions whose terms expire December 31, 2012, are the Mayor held by George Endicott and three Council positions held by Ed Boero, Shirlee Evans, and Camden King. There is no pay other than a monthly stipend of \$300 for the Mayor and \$200 for each Councilor. There are no fringe benefits and the hours involved can be long and demanding. The payoff is being able to make a difference in this community today and far into the future. A qualified candidate must be at least 18 years of age, a registered voter and a resident of the City of Redmond for at least one year prior to the date of the election.

**DEADLINE for CANDIDATE FILING\* 5:00 P.M. Tuesday,  
August 28, 2012**

\*The filing deadline for a completed Candidate Filing – Major Political Party or Nonpartisan (SEL 101) and 78 verified elector signatures (SEL 121) is 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 28, 2012, and shall be submitted to the City Recorder's office, City Hall, 716 SW Evergreen Ave.

**THE PACKETS** Candidate packets can be obtained by contacting the City Recorder Monday-Friday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. at 716 SW Evergreen Ave or (541) 923-7751.

COMING SOON!

THE CITY OF REDMOND IS CURRENTLY UPGRADING ITS UTILITY BILLING SYSTEM - PHASE 1 EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2012.

# REDMOND UTILITY BILLING CHANGES



THE NEW UTILITY BILLING SYSTEM WILL BE IMPLEMENTED IN A MULTI-PHASE PROCESS TO HELP GUIDE YOU, OUR CUSTOMER, THROUGH THE NEW SYSTEM CHANGES AND OPTIONS.



### NEW SYSTEM = NEW BILLING STATEMENT

Starting in July 2012 your utility bill will have a new 'LOOK' to its format.

PHASE 1  
CHANGES

### CHANGES TO PAYMENT OPTIONS

As of July 2012 we can NO longer accept payments by telephone. *(In Phase 2 we will provide an ONLINE payment option)*

PHASE 1  
CHANGES

### PHASE 2 SYSTEM UPGRADES

Slated for late summer or early fall of 2012, Online Bill Pay and Online Bill Review will be available.

PHASE 2  
CHANGES

## THE CITY OF REDMOND NEEDS YOUR HELP!

### VOLUNTEER FOR YOUR COMMUNITY

The City of Redmond is accepting applications for the following:

#### ***Urban Area Planning Commission***

(Must live within the Redmond Urban Growth Boundary)

#### ***Downtown Urban Renewal Advisory Committee***

(No residency requirements)

This is an opportunity to make a difference in your community today and far into the future. Please consider serving your community.

Applications are available from the City Recorder's office at Redmond City Hall, 716 SW Evergreen Ave, or by calling (541) 923-7751. Applications accepted until filled.