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At the local level, the City of Redmond continues to focus on Redmond 2050 Comprehensive Plan and the Zoning Code Updates. In addition, the City recently engaged a consultant to develop an Economic Development Strategic Plan, which is set to complete Spring of 2024.

Policy plays a critical role in making Redmond the location of choice for businesses and a vibrant community in which to live and work. As OneRedmond is uniquely positioned to help facilitate dialogue between Redmond's policymakers and the business community, our Board has been working with our members to identify policy priorities and ways to work together with our city partners to achieve a future for Redmond that we all envision.

At the regional level, On August 24th, Sound Transit unanimously approved the funding for opening up the East Link Light Rail Starter Line. The OneRedmond CEO testified at the Sound Transit Board Meeting with our regional partners in support of the East Link Starter Line. You can learn more [here](#).

At the state level, over the last couple of years, OneRedmond participated in the King County Aerospace Coalition helping guide and support a new Air & Space 2030 report. A legislative preview of the report was given to our state and local leadership. This report showcases the strength of the Satellite and New Space industry and identifies ways to support this sector to ensure these good-paying manufacturing jobs remain a priority for our state. A public rollout of this report will be out shortly.

At the federal level, national recognition for Redmond! Congresswoman Suzan DelBene introduced a bill to the US House of Representatives - [H.Res.646](#) - Recognizing the launch of the Redmond Space District in partnership with the City of Redmond and OneRedmond, showcasing the growth of Redmond's Space Cluster.

OneRedmond is thrilled to have Congresswoman Suzan DelBene confirmed for our [September Coffee with Leaders event](#). Representative DelBene continues to be a strong champion for Redmond and East King County.

OneRedmond continues to help our congressional members in a variety of ways, including identifying businesses to participate in roundtables, and supplying economic data surrounding the needs and opportunities for our region. As the only public/private economic development entity in East King County, we have been an ongoing resource for our leaders.