

REPRESENTATIVE GENE WHISNANT, DISTRICT 53

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REP WHISNANT VISITS REDMOND CITY OFFICIALS

Sunriver Legislator makes pre session courtesy visits with local officials

Redmond---State Representative Gene Whisnant (R-Sunriver) visited with Redmond city officials on November 12. Rep. Whisnant was joined by his new Legislative Assistant, Megan Schenewerk and Tiffany Lewis, District Liaison, as they met with Mayor-elect George Endicott, City Manager Mike Patterson, Councilmen Jay Patrick and Jack Nelson and elected Councilmen Ed Boero and Camden King in preparation for the 2009 Legislative Session.

“It is important to have a personal relationship with District officials whom I may call on to seek their expertise on issues we are facing in Salem and to be sure that they know they can contact me and staff to help with their issues,” commented Rep. Whisnant who was elected to his fourth term as District 53 State Representative.

Rep. Whisnant added, “Redmond is the largest city in our district and faces many challenges which require close cooperation and communications between the city and our office. During my previous sessions, we have worked very closely and effectively on legislative issues. I am sure that the process will continue with the new and returning council members and the new Mayor as we both work to maintain the services the citizens need and deserve.”

Earlier, Rep. Whisnant and his staff visited with Superintendent Vicky Fleming to discuss Redmond School District issues. Rep. Whisnant has served on House Education committees for five years in Salem.

“Megan Schenewerk recently joined our staff,” he reported. “Megan graduated from Corban College and worked in the Washington DC office of Rep. Mike Pence (R-Indiana). Also she served on the staff of Oregon House Representatives Krieger, Morgan, and Greg Smith.

Tiffany Lewis has worked as Rep. Whisnant’s District liaison for about one year. She attends events and activities for him during the session and interim when he is not available.

During the session, constituents may contact Rep. Whisnant at 900 NE Court Street, Salem, Oregon 97301; phone is 503-986-1453; email at rep.genewhisnant@state.or.us. Also, you can follow his work by asking to be added to his “Legislative Updates” emails and watch the Salem committee hearings and floor session on closed circuit television, the link is <http://www.oregonchannel.org/rams.htm>.



Rep. Gene Whisnant discusses Redmond issues with City Manager Mike Patterson and Mayor George Endicott.