

REDMOND CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE PARKS AND ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY MEETING SUMMARY

October 22, 2024, 4:30 p.m.

Current and past meeting agendas and materials: https://redmond.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx

Presiding Officer Angie Nuevacamina called the meeting to order, reviewed attendance, and overviewed the agenda. The meeting was held in City Hall Council Chambers.

Committee Members present and establishing a quorum:

	Jeralee Anderson
	Steve Fields
\boxtimes	Jessica Forsythe
\boxtimes	Vanessa Kritzer
\boxtimes	Angie Nuevacamina
\boxtimes	Osman Salahuddin
X	Melissa Stuart

1. City of Redmond and Sustainability Ambassadors Partnership

Department: Executive/Planning and Community Development

Action: Informational

Seraphie Allen, Deputy Director of Planning and Community Development, LaNaya Taylor, Program Administrator, and Jenny Lybeck, Sustainability Program Manager, reported to the Members of the Committee:

- Partnership;
- Engaging with the school district;
- Environmental Sustainability Action Plan;
- Redmond High School carbon emissions project;
- Ride to School Challenge;
- Questionnaire;
- Increase scope to include other schools;
- Improving bike racks;
- Carpooling;
- Riding busses; and
- Increasing use of ORCA cards.

Discussion ensued regarding: background; bike rack design and production; and balancing with freedom and safety.

2. Environmental Sustainability Action Plan Update - October 2024

Department: Executive Action: Informational

Jenny Lybeck, Sustainability Program Manager, reported to the Members of the Committee: update was provided during the last business meeting.

Discussion ensued regarding: meeting with the new Fellows; incorporating in the budget process; and EV chargers in the City Hall parking garage.

3. Approve Consultant Agreement with Wagner Architects & Planners for the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Improvements Facilities Project 1

Department: Public Works Action: Consent, November 4th

Vangie Garcia, Public Works Deputy Director, Amy Kim, Engineer, and Eric Dawson, Engineering Supervisor, reported to the Members of the Committee:

- ADA transition plan;
- Increasing accessibility;
- Identified barriers; and
- Focus on design.

Discussion ensued regarding: providing examples of types of projects.

4. City Hall Staff Space Movement

Department: Parks and Recreation

Action: Informational

Loreen Hamilton, Parks and Recreation Director, and Quinn Kuhnhausen, Facilities Manager, reported to the Members of the Committee:

- No space planning has been done since 2005;
- Ensuring adequate work spaces;
- Flexible spaces;
- Storage;
- Co-locating departments;
- First phase is underway; and
- Accommodating growth.

Discussion ensued regarding: ebike charging and storage; hybrid work policy; and Council space.

5. Redmond Lights 2024 Program Plan

Department: Parks and Recreation

Action: Informational

Loreen Hamilton, Parks and Recreation Director, Brittany Pratt, Recreation Business Manager, and Laurel Williams, Events Program Coordinator, reported to the Members of the Committee:

- Public art and light installations;
- December 7th kick off event;
- Partnerships;
- Environmentally safe fake snow;
- Outreach to local businesses and community organizations; and

• Budget.

Discussion ensued regarding: utilization of the Redmond Town Center space; single kick off event; tree lighting; schedule; grants; engaging the boards and commissions; working with OneRedmond; and favorite memories.

6. Community Garden & Dog Park Updates

Department: Parks and Recreation

Action: Informational

Loreen Hamilton, Parks and Recreation Director, and Darcey Rayner-Shepard, reported to the Members of the Committee:

- Identified as community needs in the PARCC Plan;
- Expanded community garden at Juel Park;
- Possible use at Anderson Park;
- Pop up dog parks; and
- Permanent dog park location in the proposed 2025-2026 budget.

Discussion ensued regarding: community garden wait list; funding for the community gardens; Hartman Park dog park feedback; Overlake Village neighborhood upcoming community gardens; and the importance of gardens in the community.

Meeting adjourned at 5:17p.m.