



Memorandum

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TO: Members of the City Council
FROM: Mayor Angela Birney
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TITLE:
Earth Day and Arbor Day Activities

OVERVIEW STATEMENT:

In celebration of Earth Day and Arbor Day, the Redmond community is coming together all month long with events and initiatives that advance sustainability and environmental stewardship. Community members can participate in numerous programs, including:

- **Solarize Eastside** - community members interested in solar, but not sure where to start can join the Solarize campaign. This campaign will run through July 4 and makes solar energy more accessible and affordable for Eastside homeowners and businesses. [Sign up for a free solar assessment <https://olysol.org/solarize/eastside/>](https://olysol.org/solarize/eastside/), or join the next Solarize workshop on [May 7 to learn more <https://olysol.org/events/>](https://olysol.org/events/).
- **Arbor Week activities** - the City of Redmond is celebrating Arbor Week from April 21-27, 2025, featuring a calendar of events and activities that reinforces Redmond's commitment to urban forestry, environmental stewardship, and community engagement. This year's programming includes lots of opportunities to get out in nature and re-planting several evergreens following the November 2024 bomb cyclone that resulted in the loss of several large trees at Anderson Park. [Learn more <https://www.redmond.gov/1725/Earth-Month-2025>](https://www.redmond.gov/1725/Earth-Month-2025).
- **Fix-It Clinic** - join Redmond neighbors at the Redmond Senior and Community Center for a hands-on opportunity to repair household items. This saves community members money and reduces waste sent to the landfill. [Register and learn more <https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fkingcounty.gov%2Fen%2Fdept%2Fdnp%2Fwaste-services%2Fgarbage-recycling-compost%2Fsolid-waste-](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fkingcounty.gov%2Fen%2Fdept%2Fdnp%2Fwaste-services%2Fgarbage-recycling-compost%2Fsolid-waste-)

Community members can find more Earth Month and Arbor Week activities on the City [website <https://www.redmond.gov/1725/Earth-Month-2025>](https://www.redmond.gov/1725/Earth-Month-2025).

☐ **Additional Background Information/Description of Proposal Attached**

REQUESTED ACTION:

☒ Receive Information

☐ Provide Direction

☐ Approve

REQUEST RATIONALE:

- **Relevant Plans/Policies:**
Environmental Sustainability Action Plan (ESAP), Tree Canopy Strategic Plan, Climate Emergency Declaration, Redmond 2050 Climate Resiliency and Sustainability Element
- **Required:**
N/A
- **Council Request:**
N/A
- **Other Key Facts:**
N/A

OUTCOMES:

All Redmond staff and community members can contribute to preserving and protecting our environment. Together, we can achieve our vision of a thriving environment and community for generations to come.

COMMUNITY/STAKEHOLDER OUTREACH AND INVOLVEMENT:

- **Timeline (previous or planned):**
N/A
- **Outreach Methods and Results:**
Digital, office hours, Environmental Sustainability Advisory Committee meetings
- **Feedback Summary:**
N/A

BUDGET IMPACT:

Total Cost:
N/A

Approved in current biennial budget: ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A

Budget Offer Number:
2025/2026 Environmental Sustainability

Budget Priority:
Healthy and Sustainable

Other budget impacts or additional costs: ☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ N/A

If yes, explain:
N/A

Funding source(s):
N/A

Budget/Funding Constraints:
N/A

☐ **Additional budget details attached**

COUNCIL REVIEW:

Previous Contact(s)

Date	Meeting	Requested Action
N/A	Item has not been presented to Council	N/A

Proposed Upcoming Contact(s)

Date	Meeting	Requested Action
N/A	None proposed at this time	N/A

Time Constraints:
N/A

ANTICIPATED RESULT IF NOT APPROVED:
N/A

ATTACHMENTS:
Attachment A: Presentation