



City of Redmond

15670 NE 85th Street
Redmond, WA

Memorandum

Date: 7/22/2025
Meeting of: City Council Special Meeting

File No. SPC 25-059
Type: Verbal Report

TO: Members of the City Council
FROM: Mayor Angela Birney
DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR CONTACT(S):

Executive	Malisa Files	425-556-2166
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DEPARTMENT STAFF:

Executive	Cheryl Xanthos	City Clerk
Executive	Kalli Biegel	Deputy City Clerk

TITLE:

Parks, Trails, and Recreation Commission Candidate Interview

OVERVIEW STATEMENT:

There is currently an opening on the Arts and Culture Commission, due to the resignation of Greg Laird.

The press release advertising this opening was posted on May 14, 2025, and can be viewed at: [News Flash City Seeks New Parks, Trails, and Recreation Co <https://www.redmond.gov/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=2522>](https://www.redmond.gov/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=2522).

Nine applications were received, and an interview panel interviewed the selected candidates on June 30, 2025, and selected Sayna Parsi to move forward in the process. Sayna Parsi interviewed with Mayor Birney on July 11, 2025.

The current term would expire on March 31, 2026.

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

REQUESTED ACTION:

☐ **Receive Information** ☒ **Provide Direction** ☐ **Approve**

REQUEST RATIONALE:

- **Relevant Plans/Policies:**
N/A
- **Required:**
Council confirmation is required for Commission member mayoral appointments.

RMC: 4.40.010(A)

- **Council Request:**

N/A

- **Other Key Facts:**

N/A

OUTCOMES:

If appointment is confirmed by Council, the candidates would serve until the term expirations below:

Parks, Trails, and Recreation Commission

Sayna Parsi Partial Term to Expire: March 31, 2026

COMMUNITY/STAKEHOLDER OUTREACH AND INVOLVEMENT:

- **Timeline (previous or planned):**

N/A

- **Outreach Methods and Results:**

The vacancy was advertised, and all completed applications were reviewed.

- **Feedback Summary:**

N/A

BUDGET IMPACT:

Total Cost:

N/A

Approved in current biennial budget:

☐ Yes

☐ No

☒ N/A

Budget Offer Number:

N/A

Budget Priority:

N/A

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
8/4/2025	Business Meeting	Approve

Time Constraints:

N/A

ANTICIPATED RESULT IF NOT APPROVED:

If Council decides not to confirm appointment, recruitment efforts would need to continue.

ATTACHMENTS:

None.