

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

June 24, 2025, 4:30 p.m.

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

(joined meeting at 4:42 p.m.)

Committee Members present and establishing a quorum:

- Jeralee Anderson
- Steve Fields
- X Jessica Forsythe
- 🔀 Vanessa Kritzer
- 🛛 Angie Nuevacamina
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- Melissa Stuart

## Action Items - N/A

Feedback for Study Session - N/A

### Informational

# 1. Capital Facilities Strategic Plan

Department: Parks and Recreation

Action: Informational

Loreen Hamilton, Parks and Recreation Director, and Cameron Zapata, Parks Planning Manager, reported to the Members of the Committee:

- Consultant agreement has been approved by Council;
- Analysis phase; and
- Draft plan will be brought to the City Council in the fall.

### 2. Events Innovation Fund Overview

Department: Parks and Recreation

Action: Informational

Loreen Hamilton, Parks and Recreation Director, Lindsay Tusing, Events and Marketing Supervisor, and Brittany Pratt, Parks Manager, reported to the Members of the Committee:

- Budgeted one-time funding;
- New events and signature events;
- Requirements;
- October roll out; and
- Events in 2026.

Discussion ensued regarding: criteria; intent of the fund; community events; accessibility; size of non-profit; public benefit; smaller events; limiting applications per organization; approval process; lowering number of required attendees per event; micro grants; bringing the updated information back to the Council; pilot program; direct pay; and help for existing events.

# Read Only - N/A

## Items from Other Committees

# 1. Council Communications Update

Department: Executive Action: Informational

Lisa Maher, Executive Deputy Director, reported to the Members of the Committee:

- Introduced the new Communications Manager, Kelly Schutz;
  - o Background;
  - o Interest in working for the city;
- Communications funding;
- Council Conversations and Town Hall events;
- Derby Days;
- Weekly staff messaging;
- Press releases;
- Focus newsletters; and
- Pictures of events.

Discussion ensued regarding: Council section in the city newsletter; providing more space on the newsletter; social media for Council; strategic outreach to the neighborhoods; and highlighting opportunities.

# 2. 2025 Annual Community Survey Results

Department: Executive

Action: Study Session, July 8th

Lisa Maher, Executive Deputy Director, reported to the Members of the Committee:

- Survey conducted in March and April;
- Statistically valid survey and a questionnaire;
- Community concerns; and
- Upcoming study session.

Discussion ensued regarding: concerns regarding affordable housing; police and fire services; and results will be provided for the study session.

Meeting adjourned at 5:12 p.m.