

April 7, 2026

**CALL TO ORDER**

A Regular Meeting of the Redmond City Council was called to order by Mayor Birney at 7 p.m. The meeting was held in the Redmond City Hall Council Chambers.

**ROLL CALL AND ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM**

Present: Councilmembers Forsythe, Kritzer, Nuevacamina, Parsi, Prakriya, Soni and Stuart

Absent: None

**SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY:**

A. PROCLAMATION: National Poetry Month

Mayor Birney read the proclamation into the record.

Redmond's Poet Laureate Nancy Mbruru read a poem and spoke regarding upcoming events.

B. PRESENTATION: MoveRedmond

Kelly Refer, Executive Director of MoveRedmond, provided a presentation to the Members of the Council and responded to Councilmember inquiries.

**ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE**

Mayor Birney opened Items from the Audience at this time. The following persons spoke:

- Paul Edward Morris - requesting AEDs at all City of Redmond parks;
- Erin Hamilton - Transgender Day of Visibility;
- Wolfe Adriatico - Old Firehouse Teen Center closure, lack of engagement, and disappointment in the celebration;
- Rosemarie Ives - demolition of the Old Firehouse Teen Center and requested action on preservation of historical items;
- David Morton - issues with contaminated drinking water due to fire at the DTG site and requested testing; and
- Max Ruhlman - importance of teen services and high costs of the programs, costs of the demolition, and preserving the history.

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**CONSENT AGENDA**

MOTION: Councilmember Nuevacamina moved to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Soni.

VOTE: The motion to approve the Consent Agenda passed without objection (7-0).

1. Approval of the Minutes: March 17, 2026, Regular Meeting and March 19 and 24, 2026, Special Meetings

2. Approval of Payroll/Direct Deposit and Claims Checks

#189036 through #189050  
#201529 through #202307  
#1956 through #1960

\$4,768,160.45

#202308 through #202315  
#1961 and #1962

\$17,302.57

#17357 through #17762

\$5,088,917.55

3. AM No. 26-052: Confirmation of Appointment of the New Parks, Trails, and Recreation Commission Members

4. AM No. 26-053: Authorization to Accept Grant Funding from the Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs

5. AM No. 26-054: Approval of Washington State Opioid Settlement with Remnant Defendants

The new Parks, Trails, and Recreation Commission members were sworn in at this time.

**ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA: NONE**

**HEARINGS AND REPORTS**

Staff Report

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a. AM No. 26-055: 2026 Transportation Demand Management Overview

Carol Helland, Director of Planning and Community Development, introduced this item and staff provided a report to the Council.

Ombudsperson Reports:

Councilmember Stuart reported receiving resident contacts regarding: crosslink connection; Council Conversations; lock down procedures at the school; parking lot concern; artifacts from the Old Firehouse Teen Center; tenant protections; zoning amendments; Recology issues; water bill; noise on holidays near the Interlake Sporting Association; WAVE Aquatics customer service; Lime scooter parking issues; police and the transgender community; FLOCK; immigrant community support; Zoning Code amendments; commissions; septic to sewer issue; counseling; utility rate increases; Cascadia College class regarding inclusionary zoning; and Eastside Pride events.

Councilmember Kritzer reported receiving resident contacts regarding: tenant protections; Old Firehouse Teen Center celebration; ombudsperson role; funding for school buses for an event; Comprehensive Plan docket; Transgender Day of Visibility; anti-discrimination efforts; alternative crisis response; and Sammamish City Council Coffee with Council.

Councilmember Nuevacamina reported receiving resident contacts regarding: light rail; Redlink; first and last mile; Deputy of Equity and Strategic Services role; Too Many Spoons; and Tesla STEM presentation.

Councilmember Soni reported regarding: ARCH elected officials; Kirkland affordable housing; Housing Development Consortium; Sound Transit celebration; OneRedmond Foundation; board and commission members appreciation award; Plymouth Housing; ribbon cuttings; women owned small business permit issues; applying for ARCH program; and mental health conference.

Councilmember Parsi reported receiving resident contact regarding: safe disposal for injectable medications.

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Councilmember Prakriya reported receiving resident contacts regarding: widening curb cuts; tenant protections; crosslake connection; affordable housing; transit oriented development; Old Firehouse Teen Center celebration; ribbon cuttings; and Boy Scout troop.

Councilmember Forsythe reported receiving resident contacts regarding: police jurisdictions and school speed zone cameras.

Committee Reports:

Councilmember Nuevacamina provided a committee report:

- Disability Board; and
- Cascade Water Alliance Board.

Councilmember Forsythe provided a committee report:

- Eastrail Board Retreat.

Councilmember Kritzer provided committee reports:

- Kokanee ILA Management Committee; and
- Tenant Protections Subcommittee.

Councilmember Stuart provided committee reports:

- Regional Water Quality Committee;
- Sound Cities Association Public Issues Committee; and
- Growth Management Planning Council.

Mayor Birney spoke regarding Puget Sound Regional Council; economic development plan; Cascade Water Alliance; crosslake connection; and Sound Transit Board.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE**

**NEW BUSINESS: NONE**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

- A. To Consider the Selection of a Site or the Acquisition of Real Estate by Lease or Purchase [RCW 42.30.110(1)(b)] - 20 minutes

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Mayor Birney announced the Council will now leave the meeting and go into Executive Session to Consider the Selection of a Site or the Acquisition of Real Estate by Lease or Purchase [RCW 42.30.110(1)(b)] for 20 minutes. Per state law, public attendance is not allowed during the Executive Session. Action will not take place following the Executive Session.

*Executive Session convened at 8:50 p.m., and ended at 9:10 p.m.*

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Council the regular meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

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ANGELA BIRNEY, MAYOR

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CITY CLERK

*Minutes Approved: April 21, 2026*