

 <p>Redmond WASHINGTON</p>	<p>REDMOND CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - PARKS AND ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY MEETING SUMMARY</p> <p>February 27, 2024, 4:30 p.m.</p>
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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.

Committee Members present and establishing a quorum:

- Jeralee Anderson
- Steve Fields
- Jessica Forsythe
- Vanessa Kritzer
- Angie Nuevacamina
- Osman Salahuddin
- Melissa Stuart

1. Approval of a Contract Amendment with MENG Analysis, in the Amount of \$100,000, for the Facilities Condition Assessment and Decarbonization Strategy

Department: Parks/Executive

Action: Consent, March 5th

Loreen Hamilton, Parks and Recreation Director, and Jenny Lybeck, Sustainability Program Manager, reported to the Members of the Committee:

- Add \$100,000 to the agreement with MENG;
- Feasibility study; and
- Grant funded.

Discussion ensued regarding: site selection; how the information will be used; budgeting process; and sustainability.

2. Approval of Instructional Services Agreements: Snapology, Trackers, Nature Vision, TOPS, Eastside Skills Samurai, i9 Sports, and Skyhawks

Department: Parks and Recreation

Action: Consent, March 5th

Loreen Hamilton, Parks and Recreation Director, and Jeff Hagen, Recreation Supervisor, reported to the Members of the Committee:

- Reached the \$75,000 maximum;
- All seven agreements are increasing the maximum amount;
- Threshold was set in 2012;
- Recreation Activity Fund; and
- Serving more clients and increasing funds.

Discussion ensued regarding: cost recovery; camps; using the Redmond Senior and Community Center; variety of programs; evaluating programs; and public outreach.

3. Approval of Consultant Agreement with Claris Strategy, in the Amount of \$199,692, for the Building Security Strategic Plan

Department: Parks and Recreation

Action: Consent, March 5th

Loreen Hamilton, Parks and Recreation Director, and David Tuchek, Parks and Recreation Deputy Director, reported to the Members of the Committee:

- Development of the building security strategic plan;
- Security assessment report;
- City owned buildings and facilities; and
- Timeline.

Discussion ensued regarding: accounting of the studies that have been funded; using a California firm; need for a consistent and reliable system; security needs at the MOC; have not worked with the company before; and first time approaching this process.

4. Tree Health Assessment and Mitigation Project Update

Department: Parks and Recreation

Action: Study Session, March 12th

Loreen Hamilton, Parks and Recreation Director, and David Tuchek, Parks and Recreation Deputy Director, reported to the Members of the Committee:

- Comprehensive health and risk assessment on city-owned parcels;
- Mitigation plan was developed;
- Approximately 18,000 trees; and
- Identified trees that need mitigation.

Discussion ensued regarding: providing information to the Council; mitigation in the spring; and any contracted out work.

5. Redmond Lights Event Recap 2023

Department: Parks and Recreation

Action: Informational

Loreen Hamilton, Parks and Recreation Director, and Nicole McDonald, Marketing and Events Supervisor, reported to the Members of the Committee:

- Biggest change from 2022 is one large kickoff event;
- Surpassed audience expectations; and
- Planning for 2024.

Discussion ensued regarding: family light promenade; tree lighting; not coming back to City Hall this year; connecting urban centers; and change in the blinker program.

6. 2024 Plan of Demonstration Dog Park & Community Garden Expansion

Department: Parks and Recreation

Action: Informational

Loreen Hamilton, Parks and Recreation Director, and David Tuchek, Parks and Recreation Deputy Director, and Cameron Zapata, Senior Planner, reported to the Members of the Committee:

- Successful programs;
- Temporary dog park installation at Luke McRedmond park;
- Positive community feedback;
- Usage and building community;
- Not eliminating other uses of the parks;
- Budget;
- Two temporary dog parks will be placed in 2024;
- Permanent dog park installation as a budget request;
- New garden plots that were fully reserved;
- ADA accessibility;
- Minimal staff time needed; and
- Next steps.

Discussion ensued regarding: reusing fencing; downtown community gardens; updates; process for reserving plots; and the Overlake area.

7. Redmond Senior & Community Center Update¹

Department: Parks and Recreation

Action: Informational

Loreen Hamilton, Parks and Recreation Director, and Zach Houvener, Parks and Recreation Deputy Director, reported to the Members of the Committee:

- Staffing;
- Substantial completion in March;
- Grand opening in May;
- Tours;
- Community celebration;
- Facility hours and rentals;
- Setting fees;
- Agreement with Silver Sneakers;
- Programming; and
- Developing a rental program.

Discussion ensued regarding: participation of donors; fee information; and extending hours due to extreme weather.

8. Climate Resiliency and Sustainability in Vegetation Management Plan Update

Department: Parks and Recreation

Action: Study Session, March 26th

Loreen Hamilton, Parks and Recreation Director, and David Tuchek, Parks and Recreation Deputy Director, reported to the Members of the Committee:

- Consultant agreement to create the plan;

¹ This item was discussed after item 8.

- Education and outreach;
- Rewilding;
- Tree canopy expansion; and
- Maintenance practices.

Discussion ensued regarding: composting; community education; and not impeding the right-of-way.

Meeting adjourned at 5:37 p.m.