



Memorandum

Date: 3/12/2024
Meeting of: City Council Study Session

File No. SS 24-009
Type: Study Session

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

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DEPARTMENT STAFF:

Parks	David Tuchek	Deputy Director
Public Works	Chris Stenger	Deputy Director
Public Works	Ernest Fix	Operations Manager

TITLE:
Tree Health Assessment and Mitigation Project Update

OVERVIEW STATEMENT:

Council will receive an update on the recently completed Tree Health Risk Assessment and Mitigation Project. On 7/18/2023, Council approved a consultant agreement with Urban Forestry Services - Bartlett Consulting, to perform a comprehensive health and risk assessment of trees located on City owned properties.

Additional Background Information/Description of Proposal Attached

REQUESTED ACTION:

Receive Information **Provide Direction** **Approve**

REQUEST RATIONALE:

- **Relevant Plans/Policies:**
2023/24 City of Redmond Adopted Budget.
- **Required:**
N/A
- **Council Request:**
N/A
- **Other Key Facts:**
N/A

OUTCOMES:

The consultant conducted a health and risk assessment of high priority trees located on City owned parcels and rights-of-way. Hazardous trees were risk rated and mapped. A mitigation plan was developed to reduce or eliminate the identified tree risk hazards.

Project Highlights:

- Approximately 18,455 trees received a Level 1 Visual Assessment
- 285 trees received a Level 2 Basic Risk Assessment
- 211 trees were identified as needing mitigation work (pruning, removal, or wildlife snagging)

COMMUNITY/STAKEHOLDER OUTREACH AND INVOLVEMENT:

- **Timeline (previous or planned):**
Outreach occurred prior to tree inspection field work
- **Outreach Methods and Results:**
City of Redmond website and social media
- **Feedback Summary:**
No feedback occurred following public outreach

BUDGET IMPACT:

Total Cost:
\$275,000

Approved in current biennial budget: **Yes** **No** **N/A**

Budget Offer Number:
0000146-Service Enhancement

Budget Priority:
Healthy and Sustainable

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

If yes, explain:
N/A

Funding source(s):
General Fund Surplus

Budget/Funding Constraints:
N/A

Additional budget details attached

COUNCIL REVIEW:

Previous Contact(s)

Date	Meeting	Requested Action
6/27/2023	Committee of the Whole - Parks and Environmental Sustainability	Provide Direction
7/18/2023	Business Meeting	Approve
2/27/2024	Committee of the Whole - Parks and Environmental Sustainability	Receive Information

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: Tree Health Risk Assessment and Mitigation Project Report

Attachment B: Tree Health Risk Assessment and Mitigation Project Presentation