



Memorandum

Date: 4/28/2026

Meeting of: Committee of the Whole - Parks and Environmental Sustainability

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Type: Committee Memo

TO: Committee of the Whole - Parks and Environmental Sustainability

FROM: Mayor Angela Birney

DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR CONTACT(S):

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DEPARTMENT STAFF:

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TITLE:

Dog Park Update

OVERVIEW STATEMENT:

Since 2023, Redmond’s pop-up dog parks have provided dedicated, accessible spaces for dogs and their owners to exercise and socialize. These temporary parks have helped the City evaluate different locations and community needs while planning for a permanent off-leash dog area. During the budget process, a permanent dog park was identified as a City priority and approved as part of the 2025-2026 budget. The permanent amenity will be installed at Luke McRedmond Park late Summer/ early Fall 2026.

Additional Background Information/Description of Proposal Attached

REQUESTED ACTION:

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

REQUEST RATIONALE:

- **Relevant Plans/Policies:**
PARCC Plan
- **Required:**
N/A
- **Council Request:**
N/A
- **Other Key Facts:**
A brief update on the pop-up plan for 2026 and the permanent dog park installation at Luke McRedmond Park in Fall 2026.

OUTCOMES:

The Pop-Up Dog Parks were implemented to meet growing community needs. This amenity was identified in the 2017 and 2022 PARCC Plans, which were prioritized in the 2023-2024 budget for pop-up parks and in the 2025-2026 budget for a permanent amenity. Significant community input was gathered through surveys at Derby Days, questionnaires at Let’s Connect page for dog parks, and through staff interactions with community members. Pop-up dog parks will be installed again at Luke McRedmond Park and at Hartman Park for 2025, to serve the community while in the design and construction planning phase for the permanent dog park. The permanent installation is planned for late summer/early fall 2026.

COMMUNITY/STAKEHOLDER OUTREACH AND INVOLVEMENT:

- **Timeline (previous or planned):**
2017-2026
- **Outreach Methods and Results:**
Information gathered from the 2017 PARCC Plan, the 2022 PARCC Plan update, surveys at Derby Days, and questionnaires at the Let’s Connect pop-up dog park webpage.
- **Feedback Summary:**
The feedback was supportive and identified the downtown core being an area with highest needs. The public is anticipating a permanent dog park amenity, and the pop-up locations will serve that need during the design and planning phase. A permanent amenity will be installed in 2026.

BUDGET IMPACT:

Total Cost:

\$188,106

Approved in current biennial budget: Yes No N/A

Budget Offer Number:

CIP

Budget Priority:

Healthy & Sustainable

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

If yes, explain:

N/A

Funding source(s):

CIP

Budget/Funding Constraints:

N/A

Additional budget details attached

COUNCIL REVIEW:

Previous Contact(s)

Date	Meeting	Requested Action
3/25/2025	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: 2026 Dog Park Update