

2017 PUBLIC ART PLAN UPDATE

Overview

This memo provides the second progress update on the City of Redmond Public Art Plan Update, building on the initial presentation shared with Council last year. Over the past several months, the team has conducted extensive community engagement through interviews, focus groups, and public events to gather input from artists, residents, and creative partners. With this feedback in hand, the project will soon move into the next phase—translating what we’ve learned into policy, funding, and program recommendations to guide future public art investments.

Progress to Date

- **Community Engagement:** 25 stakeholder interviews, 2 community events, 3 steering committee meetings, and 5 focus groups.
 - **Plan Review:** Assessed Redmond 2050 Comprehensive Plan, PARCC Plan, and Public Art Plan for alignment
 - **Policy Coordination:** Worked with City staff on collection management, and deaccessioning.
 - **Planning Alignment:** Created an internal cross-departmental steering committee to coordinate with other City initiatives.
 - **Peer Benchmarking:** Studied Bellevue, Portland, and Santa Clarita for best practices.
 - **Community Questionnaire:** 450+ responses collected; closed on November 14.
 - **Creative Economy Forum:** Hosted Nov. 3 with DigiPen, creative studios, and tech partners on art, innovation, and workforce development
- NEXT:** Summarize engagement findings, share draft recommendations, and begin developing the Public Art Plan document.

