



## Memorandum

**Date:** 5/3/2022  
**Meeting of:** City Council

**File No.** AM No. 22-069  
**Type:** Consent Item

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

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**DEPARTMENT STAFF:**

Parks	Jeff Aken	Park Planning Manager
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**TITLE:**

Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Eastrail Regional Advisory Council

**OVERVIEW STATEMENT:**

The Eastrail is a 42-mile corridor that extends from Snohomish to Renton, passing through Renton, Kirkland, Bellevue, Woodinville, Redmond and King and Snohomish Counties. King County Council originally established the governance structure for the Eastside Rail Corridor (ERC) in 2013, the MOU was updated again in 2017 and this update includes the new name Eastrail and a change of leadership from Chair/Vice-Chair to Co-Chairs. City Council is request to approve the Mayor to sign an updated MOU with the Eastrail Regional Advisory Council.

☒ **Additional Background Information/Description of Proposal Attached**

**REQUESTED ACTION:**

☐ **Receive Information**      ☐ **Provide Direction**      ☒ **Approve**

**REQUEST RATIONALE:**

- **Relevant Plans/Policies:**  
PARCC Plan PR 52: Coordinate with Eastside Rail Corridor Regional Advisory Committee partners on the planning and development of the Redmond Central Connector, and connections to the Eastside Rail Corridor and East Lake Sammamish Trail, as a regional trail with opportunities for community gathering, art, culture, and historic interpretation, as well as for light rail transit, options for other transportation connections and utility placement.
- **Required:**  
N/A
- **Council Request:**  
N/A
- **Other Key Facts:**

This MOU is a successor to the 2017 MOU. The Regional Advisory Council (RAC) approved these changes (changing the name to Eastrail and adopting a Co-Chair leadership structure) at their January 2022 meeting, staff is bringing this forward to get approval to have the Mayor sign the MOU.

**OUTCOMES:**

The Eastrail RAC provides a forum to maintain a collaborative, regional planning process for the Eastrail that helps to achieve connectivity, multiple use and maximize public benefit. Eastrail Partners builds on that effort by engaging the community and local business in support of completing and activating the Eastrail

**COMMUNITY/STAKEHOLDER OUTREACH AND INVOLVEMENT:**

- **Timeline (previous or planned):**  
N/A
- **Outreach Methods and Results:**  
N/A
- **Feedback Summary:**  
N/A

**BUDGET IMPACT:**

**Total Cost:**  
N/A

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

**Budget Offer Number:**  
N/A

**Budget Priority:**  
N/A

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

**If yes, explain:**  
N/A

**Funding source(s):**  
N/A

**Budget/Funding Constraints:**  
N/A

☐ **Additional budget details attached**

**COUNCIL REVIEW:**

**Previous Contact(s)**

Date	Meeting	Requested Action
11/2/2020	Committee of the Whole - Parks and Human Services	Receive Information
6/1/2021	Committee of the Whole - Parks and Human Services	Receive Information
9/7/2021	Committee of the Whole - Parks and Human Services	Receive Information
4/26/2022	Committee of the Whole - Parks and Environmental Sustainability	Provide Direction

**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:**

The Eastrail Regional Advisory Council approved via consensus, but if not approved by City Council Redmond would not be a formal signatory of the MOU.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

Attachment A: Eastrail RAC MOU Changes 2022

Attachment B: Eastrail RAC MOU Revised for Signature Version 2022