



Memorandum

Date: 1/25/2022

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

File No. CM 22-035

Type: Committee Memo

TO: Committee of the Whole - Parks and Environmental Sustainability

FROM: Mayor Angela Birney

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DEPARTMENT STAFF:

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TITLE:

Off-Leash Dog Park Demonstration Project and Community Garden Expansion

OVERVIEW STATEMENT:

The Parks & Trails Commission has expressed an interest in expediting a demonstration dog park and expanding community garden opportunities for the community. Staff has worked to understand costs, criteria and staffing. The attached background information provides more details on costs and impacts to workplan.

☒ **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:**
November 1, 2021 Parks and Human Services Committee of the Whole
- **Other Key Facts:**
N/A

OUTCOMES:

A demonstration or pop-up dog park would address concerns over lack of off-leash dog facilities in or around downtown. The City of Redmond currently does not have an off-leash facility, although many use Marymoor Park's facility. A demonstration project would include public outreach prior and after the implementation to understand use and any issues that should be considered and could include recommendations in the PARCC plan update scheduled to be completed by March 2023.

Community Garden expansion would address the need for more garden plots within the City. This is considered an expansion project as parks already has community garden plots in Juel Park.

COMMUNITY/STAKEHOLDER OUTREACH AND INVOLVEMENT:

- **Timeline (previous or planned):**
Outreach would be conducted both prior to selecting a location and during the duration of the project.
- **Outreach Methods and Results:**
Questionnaire and qualitative feedback.
- **Feedback Summary:**
N/A

BUDGET IMPACT:**Total Cost:**

Approximately \$50,000, depending on site selection for a demonstration dog park. The project is currently unfunded, but there is a desire by the Parks and Trails Commission to see it expedited.

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):

General Fund

Budget/Funding Constraints:

This project does not currently have funding or staffing to move forward.

☐ **Additional budget details attached**

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COUNCIL REVIEW:

Previous Contact(s)

Date	Meeting	Requested Action
11/1/2021	Committee of the Whole - Parks and Human Services	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: Staff Memo on Off-Leash Dog Park Demonstration Project and Community Garden Expansion