



Memorandum

Date: 2/13/2024
Meeting of: City Council Study Session

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TO: Members of the City Council
FROM: Mayor Angela Birney
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TITLE:
Cascade Water Alliance Informational Briefing

OVERVIEW STATEMENT:

Cascade Water Alliance’s mission is to provide water supply to meet current and future needs of its members in a cost-effective and environmentally responsible manner through partnerships, water efficiency programs, acquiring, constructing, and managing water supply infrastructure, and fostering regional water planning.

The Cascade Water Alliance Informational Briefing will cover the following:

- Cascade Overview
- Supply Contract Negotiations
- Next Steps

Additional Background Information/Description of Proposal Attached

REQUESTED ACTION:

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

REQUEST RATIONALE:

- **Relevant Plans/Policies:**
Water System Plan, Utilities Strategic Plan
- **Required:**
N/A
- **Council Request:**
N/A
- **Other Key Facts:**

The City of Redmond along with the Cities of Bellevue, Issaquah, Kirkland and Tukwila, and the Sammamish Plateau Water and Skyway Water & Sewer District joined in 1999 to form Cascade Water Alliance (CWA). CWA is a municipal corporation that provides a safe, clean, reliable water supply to its 380,000 residences and more than 20,000 businesses. City of Redmond purchases approximately 60% of its drinking water from CWA. The other 40% is produced from the City's five municipal supply wells. Membership in CWA ensures long-term water supply for Redmond customers.

Redmond is an active member of CWA.

- Mayor Birney serves on the Board and Chairs the Public Affairs Committee.
- Councilmember Nuevacamina serves as an alternate on the Board.
- Staff serve on CWA staff committees and attend the Resource Management Committee, Public Affairs Committee, and the Finance Management Committee.

OUTCOMES:

Receive information on Cascade Water Alliance partnership and status of water supply contract negotiations.

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
8/16/2022	Business Meeting	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: Cascade Water Alliance Presentation

Attachment B: Water Supply Contract Overview