



## Memorandum

**Date:** 12/5/2023

**Meeting of:** Committee of the Whole - Planning and Public Works

**File No.** CM 23-637

**Type:** Committee Memo

**TO:** Committee of the Whole - Planning and Public Works

**FROM:** Mayor Angela Birney

**DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR CONTACT(S):**

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**DEPARTMENT STAFF:**

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Public Works	Tom Hardy	Senior Environmental Scientist
Executive	Jenny Lybeck	Environmental Sustainability Program Manager

**TITLE:**

Tree Canopy Strategic Plan Update

**OVERVIEW STATEMENT:**

The Tree Canopy Strategic Plan lays out cross-departmental actions to make progress on the citywide goal of 40% tree canopy coverage. Over the past year the Environmental & Utilities Services in Public Works updated the City of Redmond's tree canopy assessment and calculated that the city has a canopy coverage of 37.5% or 4,001 forested acres. The City of Redmond led 25+ tree planting events with volunteers and planted more than 2,000 trees.

In 2024, the tree canopy team will look to implement a tree-giveaway program for private property; implement the outcomes of the Climate Resiliency & Sustainability in Vegetation Management Plan; and initiate streamlining and expanding Green Redmond volunteer efforts.

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

**REQUESTED ACTION:**

☒ **Receive Information**

☐ **Provide Direction**

☐ **Approve**

**REQUEST RATIONALE:**

- **Relevant Plans/Policies:**  
Tree Canopy Strategic Plan; Environmental Sustainability Action Plan; PARCC Plan
- **Required:**  
N/A

- **Council Request:**  
N/A
- **Other Key Facts:**  
Review of 2023 progress

**OUTCOMES:**

Achieve the goals of the Tree Canopy Strategic Plan and further the goals of the ESAP.

**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
N/A	Item has not been presented to Council	N/A

**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:**

A. 2023 Tree Canopy Strategic Plan Progress Summary