



**MEMO TO:** Members of the City Council

**FROM:** Mayor John Marchione

**DATE:** September 18, 2018

**SUBJECT: Approval of an Easement with Puget Sound Energy for the Farrel-McWhirter Park Automatic Gate**

**I. RECOMMENDED ACTION**

Authorize Mayor to execute an electrical easement with Puget Sound Energy at Farrel-McWhirter Park to power an automatic gate.

**II. DEPARTMENT CONTACTS**

Rachel Van Winkle, Interim Director Parks and Recreation	425-556-2334
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Jeff Aken, Senior Park Planner	425-556-2328

**III. DESCRIPTION/BACKGROUND**

A successful 2017-2018 Redmond Innovation Fund Proposal was awarded to install an automatic gate at the service entrance in Farrel-McWhirter Park. The gate will increase security, provide for work efficiencies, and make the entrance accessible and in compliance with American's with Disabilities Act (ADA) regulations. The Puget Sound Energy pole that exists on park property does not fall under the City of Redmond franchise agreement as it is within the park, not the right of way. The easement will allow power to be provided to the gate from the existing pole.

- This item is an easement required to complete a successful Parks Innovation Proposal to install an automatic gate at the Service Entrance to Farrel-McWhirter Park for security, safety, and work efficiencies (\$22,500 proposal) approved in 2017. A Puget Sound Energy easement is necessary to perform any work on an existing pole and to include a ground level meter to install the automatic gate.
- The pole is not in City Right-Of-Way, but approximately one foot into the park so it is not under an existing franchise agreement with City of Redmond easement
  - Puget Sound Energy has agreed to the language in the attached easement.

The area has been cleared to make room for the project and the trench for the electrical has been completed and inspected. The easement needs to be in place for further work to continue.

**IV. PREVIOUS DISCUSSIONS HELD**

Finance, Administration, and Communications Committee of the Whole on August 28, 2018.

**V. IMPACT**

**A. Service/Delivery:**

Approving this easement agreement will allow staff to add power to the gate, which will increase security, make the entrance ADA compliant, and provide work efficiencies.

**B. Fiscal Note:**

The easement will not have a fiscal impact on the city.

**VI. ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

The City Council may choose to modify or deny the easement agreement.

**VII. TIME CONSTRAINTS**

The gate installation contractor is proposing that the main gate installation will be in early October 2018. Delays in finalizing the easement may result in an overall delay to the project.

**VIII. LIST OF ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment A: Easement Agreement



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**Rachel Van Winkle, Interim Parks Director**



Approved for Agenda \_\_\_\_\_  
**John Marchione, Mayor**