City of Redmond

15670 NE 85th Street
Redmond, WA

Memorandum

Date: 3/9/2021
Meeting of: Committee of the Whole - Planning and Public Works

File No. CM 21-075
Type: Committee Memo

TO: Committee of the Whole - Planning and Public Works
FROM: Mayor Angela Birney
DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR CONTACT(S):

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TITLE:
2021-22 Go Redmond King County Metro Grant Contract

OVERVIEW STATEMENT:
Continuing the successful partnership between the City of Redmond and King County Metro that has been in place since 1999, King County Metro is providing $242,500 of grant funding that will allow Go Redmond to continue offering coordinated Transportation Demand Management products and services through December 31, 2022.

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

REQUESTED ACTION:

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

REQUEST RATIONALE:

- **Relevant Plans/Policies:**
  Commute Trip Reduction laws and Transportation Management Program Requirements
- **Required:**
  N/A
- **Council Request:**
  N/A
- **Other Key Facts:**
  The City approved a grant agreement with King County Metro for Transportation Demand Management Services for the 2019-2020 biennium in the amount of $236,000. An extension of this contract was approved by Council on July 21, 2020 allowing remaining funds to roller over into the new year for continued use through June 30, 2021 in response to impacts of COVID-19 and anticipated grant negotiation delays for the new biennium.

OUTCOMES:

The partnership between the City of Redmond and King County began in 1999 to educate and engage Redmond residents, employees, and employers in using alternatives to driving alone through the Go Redmond program. Program services help businesses meet their goals for the Commute Trip Reduction (CTR) law and Transportation Management Programs (TMP), reducing energy consumption, air pollution, and traffic congestion. Go Redmond continues to advance the shared objectives of the City and Metro to reduce drive-alone trips, thereby gaining users of transit, vanpool, carpool, biking, and walking.

In anticipation of light-rail openings, areas of concentrated focus for the next few years will be continuing our incentives, expanded education, and employer grants to Redmond employers; restarting our residential TDM focus with 10-minute neighborhoods, multifamily ORCA programs; and getting Redmond light rail ready. With the support of Metro's funding, Hopelink will continue to implement our TDM in Diverse Communities program and will work to expand the virtual outreach that was started last year on impacts riders have experienced due to COVID-19. Lastly, we will explore new ways to collaborate on pilot interventions around Redmond by looking at shared parking opportunities.

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:
$242,500 funded by King County Metro and $337,500 of City contributions

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

Budget Offer Number:
000343

Budget Priority:
Vibrant and Connected Community

Other budget impacts or additional costs: ☒ **Yes** ☐ **No** ☐ **N/A**
If yes, explain:
$337,500 in City matching funds

Funding source(s):
CIP

Budget/Funding Constraints:
This agreement would fund products and services from January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2022.

☐ **Additional budget details attached**

COUNCIL REVIEW:

Previous Contact(s)

Date	Meeting	Requested Action
	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:
The current King County Metro agreement expires June 30, 2021.

ANTICIPATED RESULT IF NOT APPROVED:
If the proposed Interlocal Agreement is not approved, we would not receive $242,500 in funding from King County Metro. We would be unable to continue our successful partnership with Hopelink which has helped to connect diverse communities to needed mobility options. We also would not be able to offer Redmond employers and all residents Go Redmond programming nor be able to best prepare them for the upcoming opening of light-rail and the return of increased commuters to Redmond.

ATTACHMENTS:
Attachment A: Background Information