



Memorandum

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Meeting of: City Council

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Type: Consent Item

TO: Members of the City Council
FROM: Mayor Angela Birney
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TITLE:

Approval of Supplemental Agreement with BERK Consulting, in the Amount of \$125,000 for the Development of a Climate Change Vulnerability Assessment in Support of Redmond 2050 and the Environmental Sustainability Action Plan

OVERVIEW STATEMENT:

This action amends the professional services agreement with BERK Consulting for the Redmond 2050 Environmental Review & Assessment to add the Climate Change Vulnerability Assessment, a near-term action item identified in the 2020 Environmental Sustainability Action Plan. This action accelerates delivery of the Climate Change Vulnerability Assessment and allows the data and analysis from the Assessment to be used in the Redmond 2050 environmental review process.

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

REQUESTED ACTION:

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

REQUEST RATIONALE:

- **Relevant Plans/Policies:**
 - Redmond Comprehensive Plan
 - Environmental Sustainability Action Plan
 - Climate Emergency Declaration
 - Community Strategic Plan
- **Required:**

RCW 39.80 and City Purchasing Policies and Procedures require Council authorization for the Mayor to sign the contract amendment.
- **Council Request:**

At their meeting on April 13, 2021, Council asked to add a near-term planning horizon for 2030 to guide near-term decision making. Section 8.1.a of the scope has been modified to list 2030. The consultant will work with the UW Climate team to extrapolate backwards to 2030 to estimate impacts to meet this need.

- **Other Key Facts:**

The 2020 Environmental Sustainability Action Plan identifies a Climate Change Vulnerability Assessment (Assessment) as a near-term priority action item. The objectives of the Assessment include identifying climate change impacts and risks in the Redmond area, analyzing these impacts' effects on the City and community, and prioritizing Redmond's vulnerabilities. The Assessment will identify and evaluate the vulnerability of Redmond's community members, built environment, and natural systems to climate factors such as extreme heat and extreme precipitation. The Assessment will also identify high-level strategies and inform next steps as the City works to cultivate a more climate resilient community.

This Supplemental Agreement (Attachment A) amends the professional services agreement with BERK Consulting for the Redmond 2050 Environmental Review & Assessment to add the Climate Change Vulnerability Assessment as a new task (Task 8). Folding the Assessment into the Redmond 2050 work expands on the climate change analysis being completed for Redmond 2050, expedites the Climate Vulnerability Assessment, and allows for its integration into the work being completed under the Redmond 2050 umbrella.

OUTCOMES:

Approving the Supplemental Agreement will facilitate the integration of climate change impact considerations into Redmond 2050 and expedite the development of the Assessment in support of the Climate Emergency Declaration and Environmental Sustainability Action Plan.

COMMUNITY/STAKEHOLDER OUTREACH AND INVOLVEMENT:

- **Timeline (previous or planned):**

Outreach will begin in May following execution of the Supplemental Agreement, with completion estimated for the first quarter of 2022.

- **Outreach Methods and Results:**

This Assessment scope of work includes one or more public workshops to review findings and solicit feedback on resiliency strategies. Data from this assessment will be utilized in developing "report cards" to evaluate the different growth scenarios for public review and comment.

- **Feedback Summary:**

N/A

BUDGET IMPACT:

Total Cost:

\$125,000 for Climate Change Vulnerability Assessment

Approved in current biennial budget:

☒ Yes

☐ No

☐ N/A

Budget Offer Number:

000220 - Environmental Sustainability

Budget Priority:

Healthy and Sustainable

Other budget impacts or additional costs: ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ N/A

If yes, explain:

N/A

Funding source(s):

2021-2022 Operating Budget - 50% from General Fund, 50% from Stormwater

Note: Task 8.2 to be billed to the SEPA contingency included in the original contract (General Fund)

Budget/Funding Constraints:

N/A

☐ Additional budget details attached

COUNCIL REVIEW:

Previous Contact(s)

Date	Meeting	Requested Action
4/13/2021	Committee of the Whole - Planning and Public Works	Receive Information

Proposed Upcoming Contact(s)

Date	Meeting	Requested Action
N/A	None proposed at this time	N/A

Time Constraints:

All Phase I and Phase II updates to the Comprehensive Plan must be completed no later than June 30, 2024.

ANTICIPATED RESULT IF NOT APPROVED:

If the City Council does not authorize the Mayor to execute the Supplemental Agreement, then staff will issue an RFP to initiate the Assessment as a stand-alone contract. This will cause the Assessment to be completed later and will not allow the Redmond 2050 Environmental Impact Statement to take advantage of the data and analysis generated as part of the Assessment.

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment A: Supplemental Agreement No. 1 and Scope of Work