

**REDMOND CITY COUNCIL
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - PARKS AND HUMAN SERVICES
SPECIAL MEETING SUMMARY**

Remote Meeting

Tuesday, November 2, 2020

Council:

Jessica Forsythe, Presiding Officer
Jeralee Anderson
David Carson
Steve Fields (4:35 p.m.)
Varisha Khan
Vanessa Kritzer
Tanika Padhye

Staff:

Brooke Buckingham, Senior Planner
Carrie Hite, Parks and Recreation Director
Beverly Mesa-Zendt, Planning Manager
Malisa Files, Finance Director
Carol Helland, Director of Planning and
Community Development
Sarah Pyle, Planning Manager
Dave Tucheck, Interim Parks and Recreation Deputy
Director
Darrell Lowe, Chief of Police
Eric Dawson, Senior Engineer
Maxine Whattam, Chief Operating Officer
Cheryl Xanthos, MMC, City Clerk

Convened: 4:30 p.m.

Adjourned: 5:42 p.m.

Presiding Officer Jessica Forsythe called the meeting to order, reviewed attendance, and overviewed the agenda.

Draft City of Redmond 2021 State Legislative Agenda

Ms. Nina Rivkin, Chief Policy Analyst, and Ms. Brihana Murray, City Lobbyist, reported to the Members of the Committee regarding:

- Limiting the number of bills to only what is necessary;
- Holding fewer meetings due to virtual format;
- Changes to in person lobbying;
- Overview of the draft state 2021 legislative agenda;
 - Top Priorities;
 - Support/Oppose list;
 - Guiding Principles;

General discussion ensued regarding impacts of I-976 ruling; requesting \$5 million for the Senior Center; transportation ask messaging; support for affordable housing; and supporting other bills.

Approval of Fifth Amendment to Interlocal Cooperation Agreement Between King County and the City of Redmond for Maintenance of Redmond Watershed Trails

Ms. Meg Angevine, Parks Operations Supervisor, reported to the Members of the Committee regarding:

- Support for parks and trails;
- Financial obligations of King County;
- Renewed every five years; and
- Request that this goes forward for Council action on November 17, 2020.

Eastrail Update

Mr. Jeff Aken, Senior Planner, reported to the Members of the Committee regarding:

- Request for Proposals for fiber-optic installation on the trail;
- Equity and inclusion;
- Wayfinding and integrated art;
- Investments from REI and Facebook; and
- Public/private partnerships.

Redmond Lights 2020

Ms. Loreen Hamilton, Events and Marketing Administrator, reported to the Members of the Committee regarding:

- Month long light and art installations in Downtown Park;
- No tree lighting or large gathering;
- Public/private partnerships;
- Redmond Lights blinkers will be handed out through businesses;
- Engagement; and
- Messaging to the community.

Coronavirus Update

Ms. Hite, Ms. Carol Helland, Ms. Brooke Buckingham, Senior Planner

- Funding contracts and reimbursements;
- Grocery vouchers;
- Homeless outreach; and
- Increase in overdoses.

General discussion ensued regarding increase in COVID cases and supporting the community; anticipating future community needs;

Ms. Brooke Buckingham, Senior Planner