



Legislation Text

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TO: Members of the City Council

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TITLE:

Adoption of the City of Redmond 2022 State Legislative Agenda

OVERVIEW STATEMENT:

The proposed City of Redmond 2022 State Legislative Agenda has been revised to incorporate Council suggestions from the October 12, 2021, Study Session. The legislative agenda identifies the City's top priority issues and other policy issues the City supports or opposes. In recent years, the City has worked to develop a concise and easily comprehensible legislative agenda that provides flexibility to address issues as they develop. The legislative agenda guides the City's work with our state legislators and day-to-day work before and during the session.

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

REQUESTED ACTION:

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

REQUEST RATIONALE:

- **Relevant Plans/Policies:**
RMC 2.80 Representation of City to Legislative Bodies
- **Required:**
N/A
- **Council Request:**
Council suggestions were incorporated into the proposed 2022 Legislative Agenda; all the changes are to the Support/Oppose Items except the first and last items below:
 - Support for co-responder programs and crisis intervention: added to the Top Priority Issue, *Social and Criminal Justice Reform*
 - New item, *Conservation District Elections*: support proposals reforming conservation district elections to address the timing and supervisor terms
 - New item, *Chinese American History Month*: support legislation declaring January as Chinese American

History Month

- Revised item, *Human Services*: added support for programs and funding for those with mental health challenges; deleted support for mental health response funding, as this item was added to the top priority item, as described above
- New item, *Childcare*: support funding and programs to increase opportunities for affordable childcare
- Revised item, *Culvert, Fish and Habitat Funding*: added support for funding salmon and other wildlife on a watershed basis
- New item, *Economic Recovery*: support proposals that assist small business in their recovery from COVID-19; the title for the “Planning” category has been changed to “Planning and Economic Recovery”; staff merged the two bullets addressing the Growth Management Act and Planning Implementation as there was overlap between the two
- Revised item, *Infrastructure*: support WSDOT Bike-Ped Grant Program and Safe Routes to Schools; changed the bullet title from Public Works Assistance Account (PWAA) to Infrastructure Grant Programs
- Revised *148th Bike Ped Overpass Flyer*: language about employment has been added to the flyer for the 148th Bicycle Pedestrian Overpass, under Project Benefits

- **Other Key Facts:**

The 2022 Legislative Session will begin January 10, 2022, and is scheduled to last 60 days. It is the second year of the two-year legislative biennium. During the 2021 session, the Legislature adopted the Operating, Capital, and Transportation budgets for the 2021-2023 biennium. In 2022, the Legislature will develop supplemental budgets that amend these biennial budgets.

In addition to developing and adopting supplemental budgets, the Legislature will consider new policy bills. Notably, all policy bills that did not pass during the 2021 session will automatically carry over to the 2022 session.

OUTCOMES:

The City’s legislative work potentially results in state funding for projects identified in the State Legislative Agenda. Additionally, the City successfully advances top priority policy positions and monitors, supports, and opposes other policies that could have a positive or negative impact on the City of Redmond and/or the Redmond community.

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:

Funding provided by the State for projects on the City's legislative agenda helps support Redmond projects, such as funding for the Senior and Community Center, Overlake Access Ramp, and the Redmond Pool rehabilitation project.

Funding source(s):

N/A

Budget/Funding Constraints:

N/A

☐ **Additional budget details attached**

COUNCIL REVIEW:

Previous Contact(s)

| Date | Meeting | Requested Action |
|------------|---------------|-------------------|
| 10/12/2021 | Study Session | Provide Direction |

Proposed Upcoming Contact(s)

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

Time Constraints:

The 2022 Legislative Session begins on January 10, 2022. To effectively advocate for the City's Legislative Agenda, it should be approved by Council before the end of the year.

ANTICIPATED RESULT IF NOT APPROVED:

The City will not be effective in lobbying for the items on the City's 2022 Legislative Agenda if the legislative agenda is not approved in a timely manner.

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment A: City of Redmond 2022 State Legislative Agenda

Attachment B: City of Redmond 2022 State Legislative Agenda, Track Changes from October 12, 2021, Study Session

Attachment C: City of Redmond Study Session Materials, October 12, 2021

Attachment D: SR 520 and 148th Avenue NE Pedestrian Bicycle Overpass Flyer (revised October 2021)