



## **PARKS COMMITTEE**

September 3, 2026

City Hall • 411 SW 9th Street • Conference Room 141

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**PURPOSE STATEMENT:** To plan, develop, and provide stewardship for City of Redmond's parks and open spaces while preserving natural areas and maximizing public enjoyment.

### **COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

Erin Trimble  
*Chair*

Peter Gassner  
*Vice Chair*

Jeannie Cote-  
Lashonse  
*Member*

Alan Ewert  
*Member*

Shawna Hicks  
*Member*

Eve Ponder  
*Member*

Brad Porterfield  
*Member*

Alison Aguilar  
*Youth Ex-Officio*

Katie Hammer  
*RAPRD Ex-Officio*

### **SEPTEMBER 3, 2026**

### **MEETING AGENDA**

**3:30 PM**

#### **I. CALL TO ORDER / INTRODUCTIONS**

#### **II. COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS AT THE MEETING**

Citizen comments are limited to three (3) minutes per person and will be accepted for a period of 30 minutes. Comments should be focused on City of Redmond business. Attendees are asked to refrain from interrupting, calling-out, or cheering during citizen comments.

#### **III. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A. Approval of August 6, 2026, Meeting Minutes

#### **V. DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS**

- A. Tour of the new RAPRD Aquatic Center with a presentation by Shawna Hicks
- B. Feedback from Music on the Green event — Pete and Shawna
- C. Feedback for the Urban Forestry Management Plan - Maria

#### **VI. UPDATES**

A. Operations Update - Dusty (10 min)

#### **VII. COMMITTEE MEMBER UPDATES / COMMENTS**

#### **VIII. ADJOURN**

#### **IX. UPCOMING AGENDA ITEMS**

A. October - Redmond Wetlands Complex Tour

*Meeting documents are available on the City's web site at [redmondoregon.gov](http://redmondoregon.gov)*

**CITY OF REDMOND PARKS COMMITTEE**  
**Regular Meeting Minutes**  
**August 6, 2026, 3:30pm**  
**City Hall Executive Conference Room 141**

**Members' Present**

Erin Trimble (Chair)  
Pete Gassner (Vice Chair)  
Eve Ponder  
Shawna Hicks  
Alan Ewert

**Guests**

Sarah Lilley – Guest (Urban Forest Planning)  
Mara Huang

**Absent**

Jeannie Cote-Lashonse

**Staff Present**

Maria Ramirez – Special Projects & Natural Resources Manager  
Brenda Pelly – Recorder  
Dusty Hood – Parks/Facilities/Cemetery Division Manager

**CALL TO ORDER / ESTABLISH A QUORUM**

Co-Chair Pete Gassner called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. Introductions were made and a quorum was established.

**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Guest speaker Sarah Lilly provided updates regarding the Urban Forest Management Plan including inventory work, open house feedback, and ongoing survey outreach. No additional public comments were offered.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Maria Ramirez announced the Hope Playground closure scheduled for August 18–19 for surface maintenance. Additional updates included logistics for the October 1 Wetlands Complex tour, progress on wastewater pipeline installation.

## **ACTION ITEMS**

### **National Night Out Synopsis**

Eve and Maria reported successful community engagement and outreach at the National Night Out booth. Maps, flyers, and QR codes were provided. Recommendations included increased materials and small giveaway items for future events.

### **Urban Forestry Management Plan Update**

Maria and guest forester Sarah presented details of the Urban Forestry Management Plan including scope, project timeline, public outreach themes, and upcoming draft reviews. The Parks Committee will act as the Tree Board throughout the adoption process.

### **Music on the Green – Committee Booth**

Pete and Shawna will represent the Parks Committee at the upcoming Music on the Green event. Additional outreach materials such as candy, stickers, and survey information will be provided.

### **Dry Canyon Management Plan Update**

Maria announced the release of the Dry Canyon Management Plan RFP. The project focuses on fire mitigation, trail standards, natural area maintenance, signage, and cultural interpretation. Parks Committee involvement will occur throughout 2026–2027.

### **Parks Operations Update**

Dusty reported on summer maintenance workloads, staffing shortages, skate park coping replacement, Dog Park irrigation installation this fall, trail signage repairs, spray pad improvements, and progress toward finalizing the ice rink design.

### **Committee Member Comments**

Eve encouraged community attendance at the August 11 City Council meeting regarding proposed fireworks regulations due to recent Dry Canyon fire risks.

**ADJOURNMENT** - A motion to adjourn was made and seconded. Meeting adjourned.

APPROVED by and SIGNED by me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2026.

~ Erin Trimble, Parks Committee Chair

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~ Maria Ramirez, Special Projects & Natural Resource Program Manager

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