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### **Redmond Mayor Angela Birney elected Vice President of the Sound Cities Association**

Redmond Mayor Angela Birney has been elected Vice President of the Sound Cities Association (SCA), which represents 38 King County cities and provides a regional voice for more than one million people.

“Mayor Birney is a dynamic and well-respected regional leader,” said SCA Executive Director Deanna Dawson. “We are excited to have her in a leadership role at SCA.”

Mayor Birney’s colleague Councilmember Ed Prince of Renton was elected to be 2021 President of SCA. He echoed the praise for Birney, stating “Angela is one of the brightest and hardest working elected officials I know. She always comes to the table prepared to tackle challenges with common sense and compassion. I can think of no one I’d rather have by my side at the helm of SCA this year.

“I am honored to represent all of the sound cities in my new role as Vice President,” stated Redmond Mayor Angela Birney. “I am excited to work with our new president, Ed Prince, as well as the rest of the board and am looking forward to broadening my work with SCA.”

Mayor Birney was elected to the SCA Board in 2020. In addition, she serves as Redmond’s representative on the SCA Public Issues Committee (PIC) and on the Puget Sound Regional Council Executive Board, and as an SCA representative on the Regional Policy Committee (RPC) and the Governing Committee of the King County Regional Homelessness Authority. She also serves on the Boards of Hopelink, the Cascade Water Alliance, and OneRedmond among her many volunteer activities.

King County Council Chair Claudia Balducci offered congratulations to Mayor Angela Birney of Redmond on her election as Vice President of the Sound Cities Association. “The challenges of the last year have taught us to value regional vision and partnerships more than ever before,” Balducci said. “Mayor Birney’s wealth of knowledge, compassionate approach to serving people and courageous willingness to tackle the problems of the day head on will give us the regional leadership we need as we start to move beyond COVID and into a brighter future.”

Mayor Birney was elected as Mayor of Redmond in 2019. Before serving as Mayor, she was elected to City Council in 2015 and served as Council President from 2018 to 2019. Prior to her Council service, she was the chair of the Redmond Parks and Trails Commission and volunteered her time at several different organizations throughout the Redmond community. She is a 2017 Leadership Eastside graduate. Mayor Birney is a Washington native and grew up in Eastern Washington. She moved to Redmond in 1998. Formerly a middle school science teacher, she earned a Master of Education from Heritage University and a Bachelor of Arts in Biology Education from Eastern Washington University. She lives on Education Hill with her husband and daughters.

The Sound Cities Association helps King County cities act locally and partner regionally to create vital and thriving communities through advocacy, education, leadership, mutual support, and networking.

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