

IMPACT STATEMENT

Legislation title: *Authorize grant agreement of \$50,000 with Global Philanthropy Partnership on behalf of Urban Sustainability Directors Network to support the “Zero Cities” program (Ordinance)

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Purpose of proposed legislation and background information:

- Portland’s Climate Action Plan commits to reducing local carbon emissions by 80 percent below 1990 levels by 2050.
- Key objectives to meet this ambitious goal are to reduce the total energy use of existing buildings by 25% and achieve zero net carbon emissions in all new buildings by 2030.
- As part of the Climate Action Plan, Portland intends to support net-zero energy projects through incentives, education, demonstration projects and partnerships.
- This grant to the Global Philanthropy Partnership (GPP) on behalf of the Urban Sustainability Directors Network will support the development of a roadmap for Portland to consult as we work to reduce building energy consumption and promote construction of zero net carbon buildings.
- The roadmap will include details on how to provide technical support, community engagement, messaging and policies that support zero net carbon buildings
- Portland joins eleven other cities on this joint effort including Boston, MA; Boulder, CO; Cambridge, MA; Grand Rapids, MI; Minneapolis, MN; New York, NY; Palo Alto, CA; Phoenix, AZ; San Francisco, CA; Seattle, WA; and Washington DC.
- This grant helps implement and inform the Climate Action Plan but will not change specific City policies.

Financial and budgetary impacts:

- There are no long-term financial impacts for the City due to this project.
- This action does not amend the budget nor change current or future revenues.
- Funds for this project were budgeted for the 2017-18 fiscal year.
- This project will be managed by existing staff and will require approximately 8 hours a month for the duration of the project. This project will begin in April 2018 and commence in June 2020.
- This legislation will result in Portland authorizing a new grant to GPP.

Community impacts and community involvement:

- The project will identify community equity partners and engage them in developing the ideas within the plan.
- The Roadmap will be tailored to identify locally relevant approaches for extending the benefits of high efficiency buildings and renewable energy applications to community members traditionally underserved by existing energy efficiency programs.

- A key part of the Roadmap will be to identify policies, practices and procedures that are perpetuating racial inequities in energy efficiency programs, and alternatives that can help advance racial equity.
- This project will be inclusive of all geographies
- This work directly implements the Climate Action Plan which will help reduce carbon emissions and improve resiliency.
- BPS will work closely with GPP to ensure the Roadmap reflects the nuances of our regulatory systems, including the statewide energy code that Portland cannot supersede.
- No known groups will be testifying.

100% Renewable Goal:

- This action does not increase or decrease the City's total energy use, but it may lead to suggestions on how to reduce energy use in Portland.
- This action does not increase or decrease the City's renewable energy use, but it may lead to suggestion on how to increase the use of renewables in Portland.

Budgetary Impact Worksheet**Does this action change appropriations?**

- ☐ **YES:** Please complete the information below.
- ☒ **NO:** Skip this section

Fund	Fund Center	Commitment Item	Functional Area	Funded Program	Grant	Sponsored Program	Amount