

Portland Youth Climate Council

Hello, my name is Isabelle Braman and I am speaking on behalf of the Portland Youth Climate Council. Before I start, I would like everyone to recognize that we are meeting on stolen land. November is Native American Heritage Month and it is important to understand the pain, loss, and suffering that was forced upon the people who resided here before Colonization.

I am here today to talk about one of the demands that was given to you during the youth climate strike. We asked for the city council to establish a climate test that would be applied to all new policy and ordinance that is observed. A climate test will play a major role in helping Portland to its reach goal of running on 100% renewable energy by 2050. But what is a climate test? What would that look like? I envision is that the climate test will give you a detailed list of questions that will inform you if your final vote will lift up the community, or if it will be harmful and environmentally unfriendly in the long run. I cannot stress enough that this climate test should be developed by a wide range of people from the start, and not as an afterthought. Frontline communities, communities of colors, low-income communities, and youth must be included in the process of making a climate test. As an example, members of the Portland Youth Climate Council and I

have brainstormed a small list of questions we would like you to think about when you vote on whether or not to extend the Title 11 Tree amendments.

Ask yourselves : will the decision you make perpetuate our reliance on fossil fuels? Please consider that trees regulate the temperature of our environment and can reduce our reliance on our air conditioning which lowers our dependence on fossil fuels. Ask yourselves if your decision will have a direct effect on frontline communities? Please, consider that Lower-income communities deal with heat islands in the summer. The fees collected from industries cutting down larger trees can be used to restore the natural environment in these communities and destroy the man-made heat islands. Ask yourselves if the decision you make will keep us on track to fulfill our goal of being a green and clean city?

If you choose to remove the sunset clause, of course, we will be on track to become healthier and a more livable city. And that is how you use a Climate Test. It helps you vote to do the right thing .

Thank you for your time.

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Hi Karla,

The Portland Youth Climate Council would like to have the Communication spot on
November 13th.

One of the youth members will speak on the climate crisis.

My address is 2914 NE 18th Ave, Portland Oregon 97212 and my phone number is 503-481-7033.

Thank you,

Jan Zuckerman

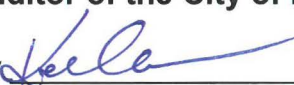
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Request of Portland Youth Climate Council to address Council regarding the climate crisis (Communication)

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