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Amend contract with HDR Engineering, Inc. for additional support services for the Columbia Boulevard Wastewater Treatment Plant (CBWTP) Renewable Natural Gas Facility, BES Project No. E10033

Council Item 164

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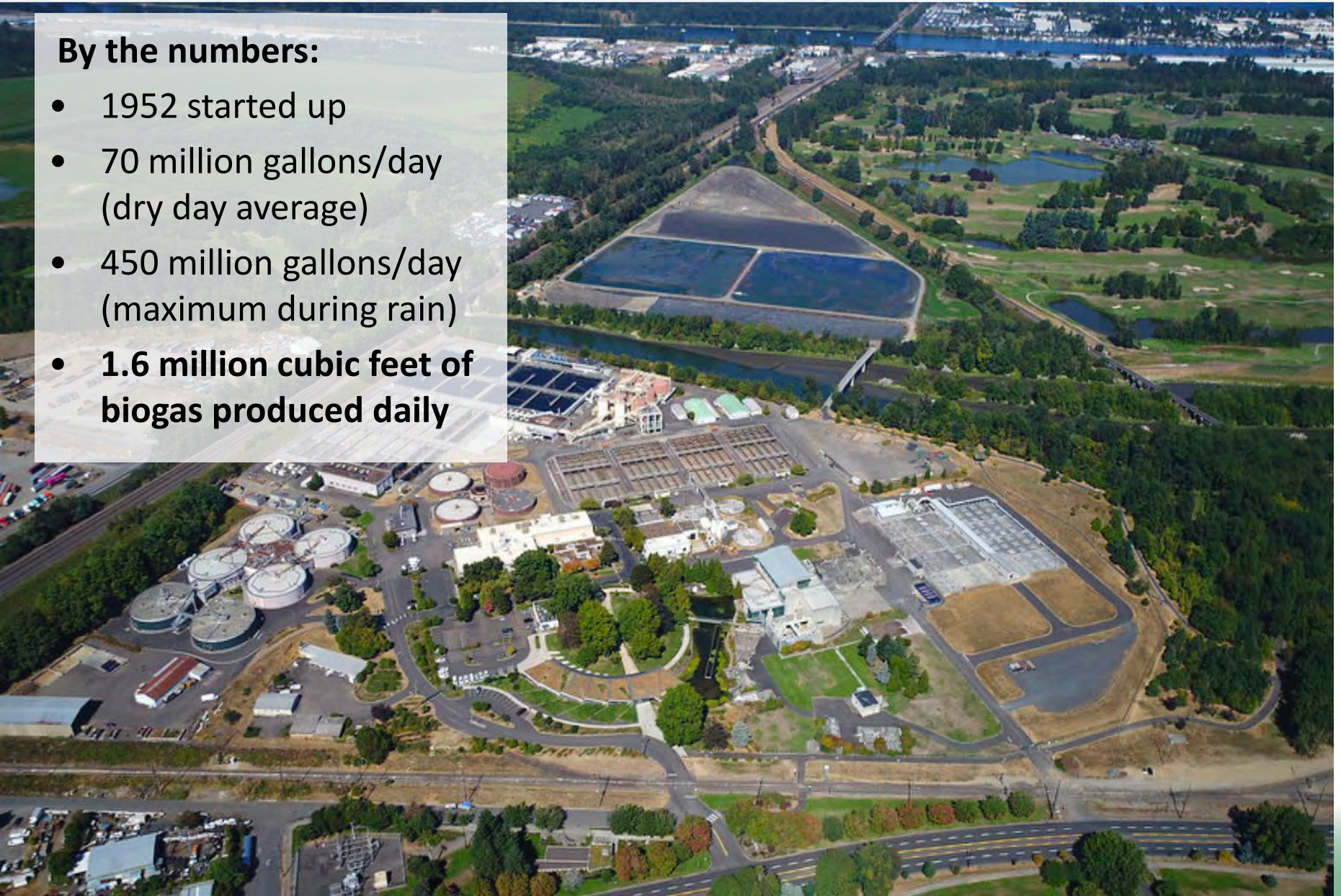
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Overview: Wastewater treatment plant

By the numbers:

- 1952 started up
- 70 million gallons/day (dry day average)
- 450 million gallons/day (maximum during rain)
- **1.6 million cubic feet of biogas produced daily**



Poop to Power: 3 benefits of BES' RNG production



CLIMATE

Cut
greenhouse gas
emissions by
21,000 tons annually.



REVENUE

Generate
upwards of \$3 million
in revenue a year
for the city.



CLEAN AIR

Replace
1.34 million gallons
of dirty diesel truck fuel
with clean RNG per year.



CNG Fueling Station Opening- March 2018



Maximize energy recovery. Minimize flaring

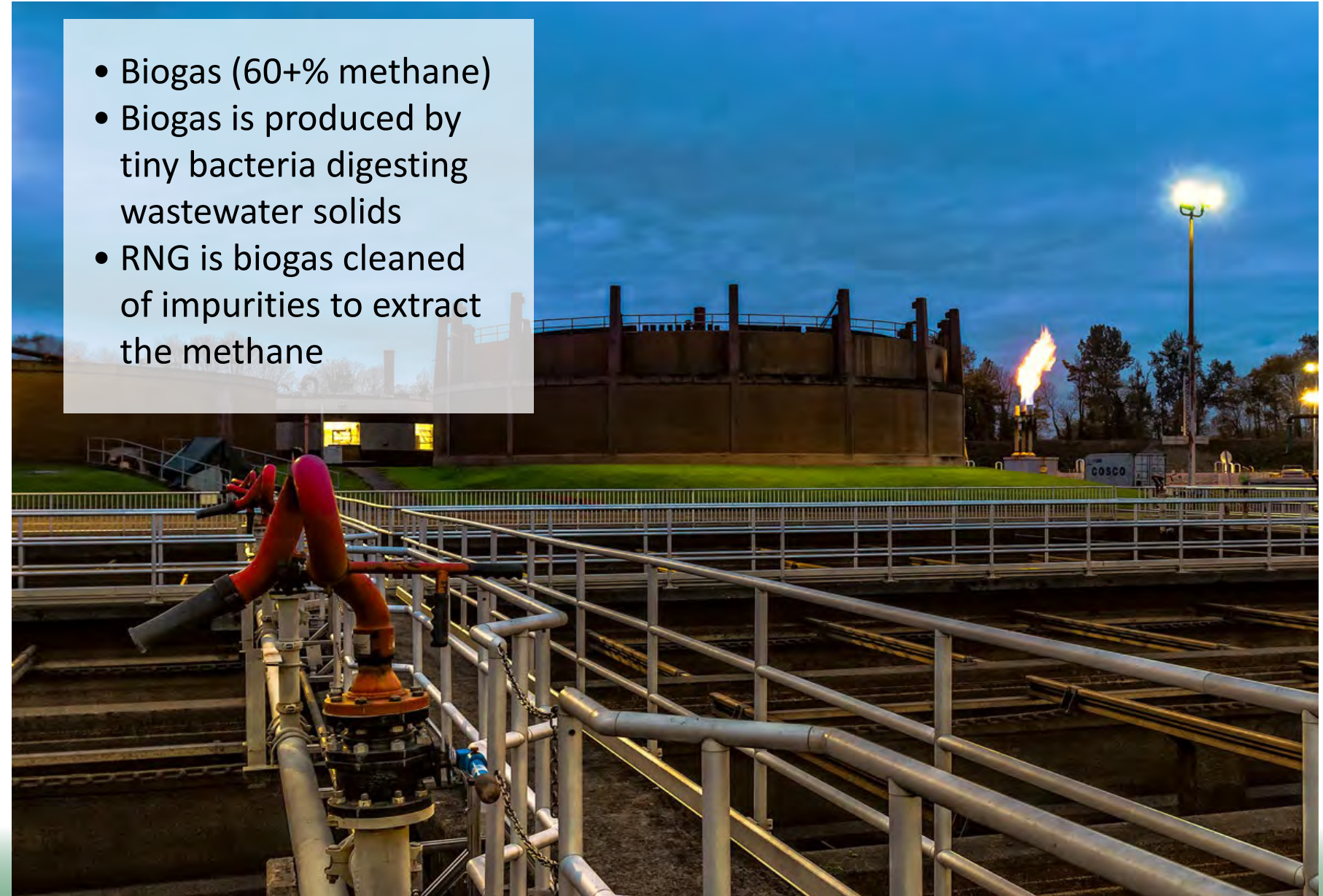
Project Objectives

- Maximize methane recovery
- Maximize value to ratepayers
- Optimize return on investment
- Align with City's Climate Goals

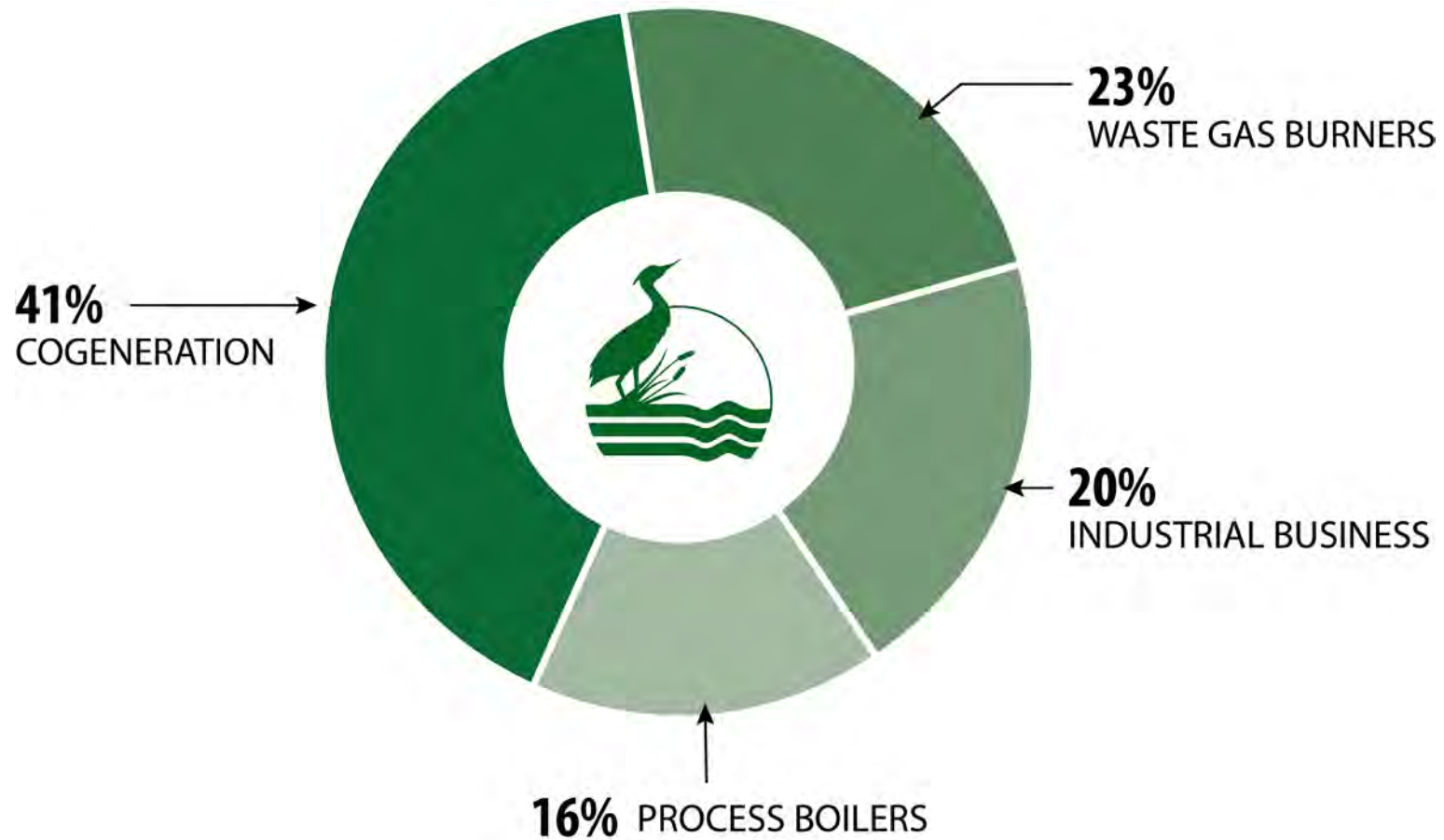


What are Biogas and Renewable Natural Gas ?

- Biogas (60+% methane)
- Biogas is produced by tiny bacteria digesting wastewater solids
- RNG is biogas cleaned of impurities to extract the methane



Current CBWTP Biogas Utilization



Aligns with City Climate and Energy Goals

- Climate Action Plan
 - Reduce carbon (CO₂) emissions by 40% compared to 1990 levels by 2030.
 - Reduce carbon emissions of transportation fuels by 20%
- Renewable Energy Goals
 - City Transportation Sector fueled by 100% renewable fuels by 2050

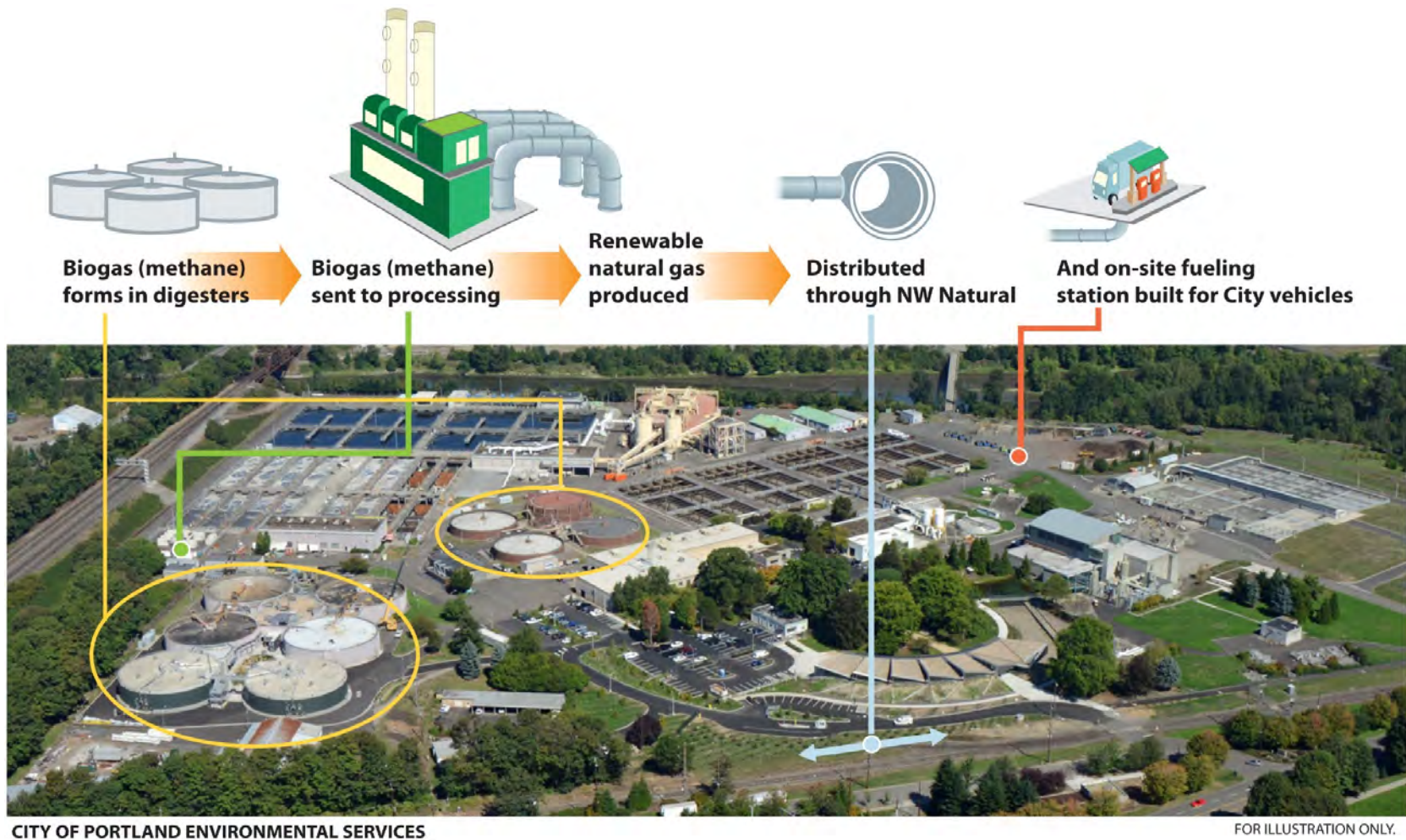


Aligns with City Goals for Clean Air

- City's Comprehensive Plan
 - Policy 7.5 Air Quality
 - Improve air quality, reduce exposure to air toxics and criteria pollutants
- Solid Waste and Recycling City Code 17.102.050 for Clean Fleet Truck Requirements
 - Places restrictions on diesel vehicles, CNG vehicles are exempt (clean burning fuel)



How “Poop to Power” is Being Built





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**Columbia Boulevard
Wastewater Treatment
Plant Campus**

Fueling Station
Renewable Compressed
Natural Gas

Organic Waste Receiving Facility
Food Waste Slurry and
Fats, Oils, & Grease

Production Facility
Renewable Natural Gas

NW Natural Receipt Facility

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NW Natural

Custody Transfer

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Biogas (Methane) to Renewable Natural Gas Facilities

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Biogas Water Scrubber



Other Key Equipment



RTO (Regenerative Thermal Oxidizer)



Booster Compressor



Current Financial Projections

Projected Revenue:
\$3,000,000 to \$8,000,000 annually

ODOE Tax Credit: \$319,601

Simple payback at current prices: 5 years
(payback still within range of 4 to 8 years)

Costs

RNG Production Facility	\$20,093,440
NWN Interconnection*	\$778,850
RCNG Fueling Station**	\$1,878,467
Total Cost	\$22,750,757

* Funded by Operating; excluding \$1,168,715 on margin to be paid by accumulated credits from natural gas purchase

** Funded by Operating; recovery cost at end of 10 years per NWN Schedule H



Construction Status

- Final stages of construction.
- Current amount earned of the McClure and Sons, Inc. contract is \$12,010,974.
- HDR Amendment needed for effective completion.

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Testing phase: unforeseen event

- August 2020: RNG facility startup testing
 - RNG successfully produced, overall system performs well.
- October 2020: The *vacuum pressure swing absorption* (VPSA) system ready for testing after delays due to COVID-19.
- November 2, 2020: VPSA testing began
 - A sudden over-pressurization led to a rupture of piping and damage to equipment.



Contract Amendment No 8 Scope

- Incident Support (Investigation)
- Hazard and Operability (HAZOP) Reassessment
- Design Changes to Gas Treatment System Tail Gas and VPSA Off Gas Stream
- Design of Submetering for Natural Gas and Power and Dedicated High Pressure Air Compressors



HDR Contract Amendment (No. 8)

Original Contract Amount	\$298,600	Predesign Phase
Amendment No. 1	\$0	Add a State Certified ESB Subconsultant to Contract
Amendment No. 2	\$995,410	Final Design, Bidding, Construction Services
Amendment No. 3	\$0	Time Extension
Amendment No. 4	\$222,800	Additional Construction and Start Up Services
Amendment No. 5	\$0	Time Extension Only
Amendment No. 6	\$229,000	Additional Construction Support Services
Amendment No. 7	<u>\$0</u>	Time Extension
Current Contract Amount:	\$1,745,810	
Amendment No. 8	<u>\$283,039</u>	Additional Support Services
Revised Contract Amount:	\$2,028,849	

M/W/ESB Participation

Current: 20.0%

Revised: 19.7%



D/M/W/ESB Participation

Firm	Amendment No. 8	Total
MEC Electrical Engineering (ESB)	\$37,150	\$264,496
Akana (Formerly Cascade Design) (DBE/MBE)	\$13,424	\$74,725
Barney and Worth (WBE)	\$0	\$54,060
Campus Biogas (ESB)	\$0	\$6,094
	\$50,574	\$399,375

D/M/W/ESB participation as % of total contract amount

19.7%

