

IMPACT STATEMENT

Legislation title: *Accept assistance, support and resources from the Natural Resources Defense Council as outlined in the American Cities Climate Challenge Support Package (Ordinance)

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Purpose of proposed legislation and background information:

Accept technical assistance from the Natural Resources Defense Council (“NRDC”) as part of the award package from the American Cities Climate Challenge (“ACCC”) program sponsored by Bloomberg Philanthropies. The City of Portland will enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (“MOU”) with NRDC that outlines the terms and agreements of this support and resources package.

Financial and budgetary impacts:

As outlined in Exhibit A, section IV, the “NRDC, for the duration of the City’s participation in the ACCC and at no expense to the City, will use commercially reasonable efforts to provide the support, resources and opportunities to assist the City in achieving the goals outlined in its City Strategy Overview as described in the Support Package”

Existing staff at the Portland Bureau of Transportation and Bureau of Planning and Sustainability will manage the relationship and partnership between the City of Portland, NRDC, Bloomberg Philanthropies, and other organizational partners in the American Cities Climate Challenge.

The Memorandum of Understanding accompanying this Ordinance describes the roles and responsibilities for NRDC and City of Portland staff.

Community impacts and community involvement:

People who live and work in Portland, as well as our partner ACCC cities and municipalities all around the country will benefit from this partnership and this Ordinance. The City of Portland’s commitment to participate in the ACCC will result in a lower net of carbon emissions and will work to address many of the challenges in the transportation and buildings sectors that contribute to climate change. If the City is successful in implementing the initiatives laid out in the ACCC planning processes, it will also benefit other communities seeking to implement similar or like-minded programs and policies.

There is not expected to be resistance to this Ordinance by any businesses, organizations, or other associations since the anticipated outcomes from Portland’s participation in the ACCC are mutually beneficial.

100% Renewable Goal:

This action and program participation will contribute toward the City's ability to work towards meeting the goals outlined in the 100% Renewables resolution.

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