PCEF Grant Committee Meeting

April 14, 2021, 6:00 – 8 p.m.

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Virtual Participation Check

Guidelines for public participation

- Committee meetings open to the public

- Public invited to comment at around 6:05 p.m.

- Public asked to observe and listen

- Open conversation and social space will be available during 15-min break at 7pm for members of the public viewing via zoom

➡ **Guidelines applied to virtual meeting:**

Chatbox: open for introductions and public comment. All other times, host-only chats (PCEF Staff).

Raise Hand: used by Committee only.

Video: on for Committee only.

Microphone: public members muted unless giving public comment or for introductions.

Recording: this meeting is being recorded.

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Introductions & opening

Agenda

6:00   Opening and introductions

6:05   Public comment

6:20   Program updates

6:30   Next RFP planning

7:00   Break

Open conversation and social space in breakout rooms for public viewing via zoom

7:15   Next RFP planning next steps

7:20   Evaluation update

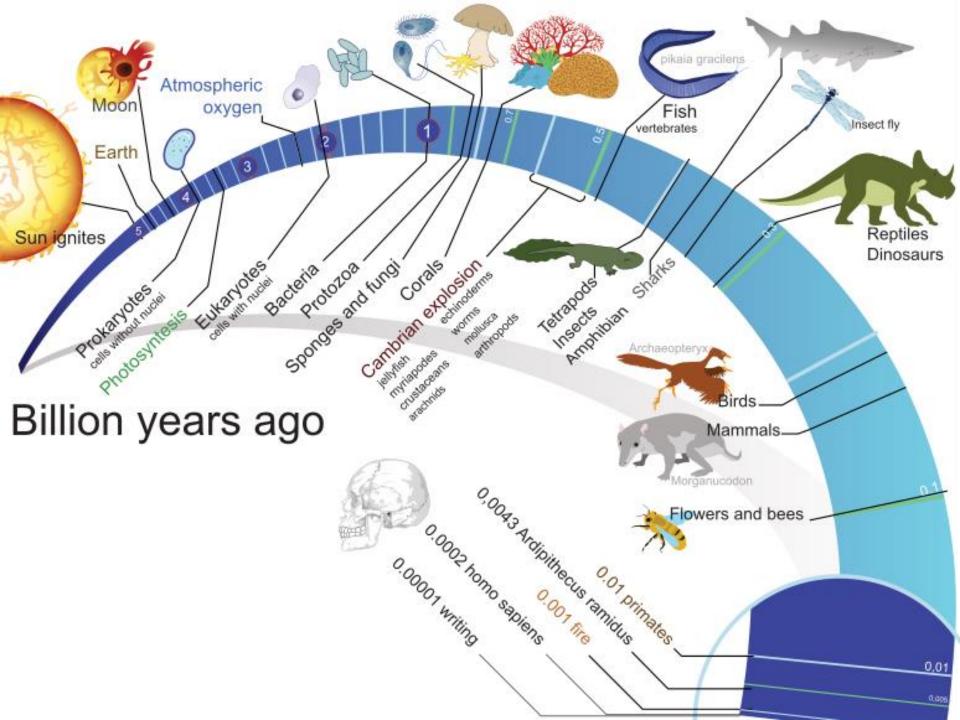7:50   Committee member comments/reflections

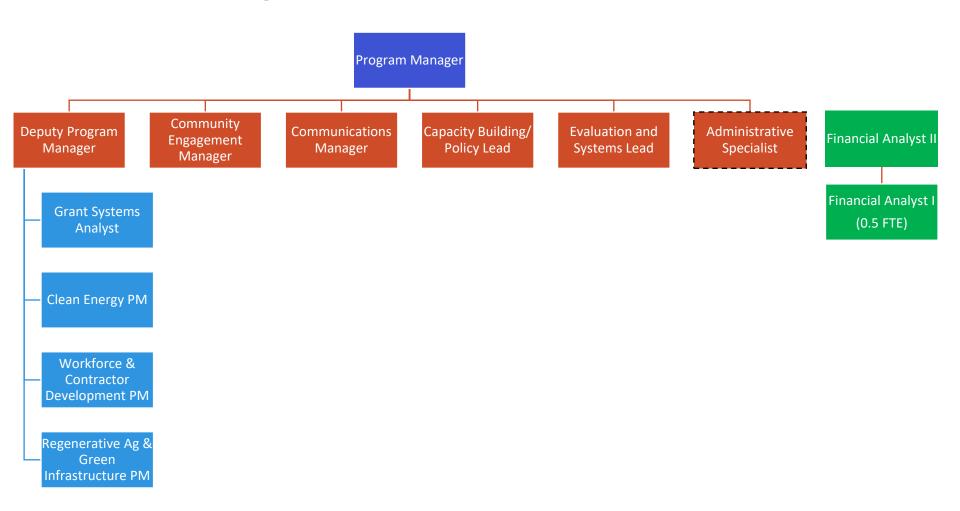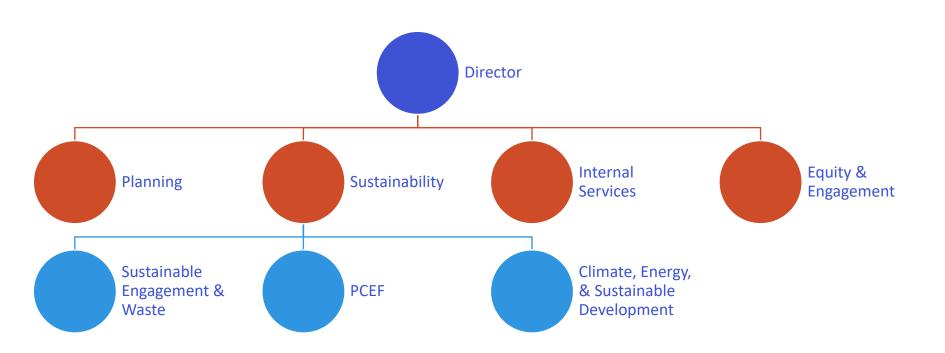8:00   Meeting adjourned

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Public comment

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Program updates

Billion years ago

Moon

Atmospheric oxygen

Earth

Sun ignites

5

4

3

2

1

0.7

0.5

Prokaryotes
cells without nuclei

Photosyntesis

Eukaryotes
cells with nuclei

Bacteria

Protozoa

Sponges and fungi

Corals

Cambrian explosion

jellyfish
myriapodes
crustaceans
arachnids

echinoderms
worms
mollusca
arthropods

pikaia gracilens

Fish
vertebrates

Insect fly

Tetrapods
Insects
Amphibian

Sharks

Reptiles
Dinosaurs

Archaeopteryx

Birds

Mammals

Morganucodon

Flowers and bees

0,0043 Ardipithecus ramidus

0,0002 homo sapiens

0,00001 writing

0,001 fire

0.01 primates

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Program update

- Grantee onboarding
- Capacity building and community engagement
- PCEF team organization chart

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Next RFP planning

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Timeline

April – June 2021	four Committee meetings to approve FY22 RFP (#2 and #3) criteria for public comment
June 2021	21-day public comment
July 2021	two Committee meetings to revise the scoring criteria in response to public comment, approve RFP release
August 2021	release RFP #2 for 60 days
October – January 2022	RFP #2 review period, awards in February 2022
November 2021	release RFP #3 for 60 days
January – April 2022	RFP #3 review period, awards in May 2022

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Committee decision points and critical input

Decision points

- Scoring criteria release for public comment
- RFP release

Critical input areas

- Threshold scores and review
- Community and Committee scoring
- Grant cap
- Workforce training grants
- Innovation
- Anti-displacement

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Break (15 min)

Note: members of the public are invited to join breakout rooms in order to connect with others interested in conversation in addition to Committee members.

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Next RFP planning next steps

Evaluation update

Guiding principles

Focused on climate action with multiple benefits.
Invest in people, livelihoods, places, and processes that build climate resilience and community wealth, foster healthy communities, and support regenerative systems. Avoid and mitigate displacement, especially resulting from gentrification pressures.

Justice Driven

ADVANCE systems change that addresses historic and current discrimination.

CENTER all disadvantaged and marginalized groups – particularly Black and Indigenous people

Accountable

IMPLEMENT transparent funding, oversight, and engagement processes that promote continuous learning, programmatic checks and balances, and improvement.

DEMONSTRATE achievement of equitable social, economic, and environmental benefit.

REMAIN accountable to target beneficiaries, grantees, and all Portlanders.

Community-powered

TRUST community knowledge, experience, innovation, and leadership.

HONOR AND BUILD ON existing work and partnerships, while supporting capacity building for emerging community groups and diverse coalitions.

ENGAGE WITH AND INVEST IN community-driven approaches that foster community power to create meaningful change.

Reporting and Evaluation Mandates

PCEF legislative directives regarding reporting and evaluation include the following:

1. **Adopt a methodology to measure, track and report** to the public, the Mayor, and the City Council the effectiveness of the programs in implementing the City's Climate Action Plan in a manner that supports social, economic and environmental justice, including developing a diverse and well-trained workforce and contractor pool in the field of energy efficiency, renewables, green energy initiatives generally. All fund recipients shall file a report tracking their success in meeting the stated objectives (7.07.050.E.5).

2. **Prominently display progress in meeting "measurable and ambitious goals for the training and hiring of historically disadvantaged groups**, including women, people of color, people with disabilities, and the chronically underemployed and measurable goals for contracting with businesses owned or operated by such groups" (7.07.050.E.6).

3. The Fund shall be subject to a **financial audit every year and a performance audit every 2 years**, with the costs of any audit excluded from the 5 percent limitation for administrative expenses (7.07.040.D).

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Our Approach

Mandate vs Mindset

- We're fostering a culture of continuous learning and improvement in service of the goal.

What We Consider

- What happened – program and grantee achievements (outcomes).

- How we did – what worked well in delivering our program and how we might improve (process).
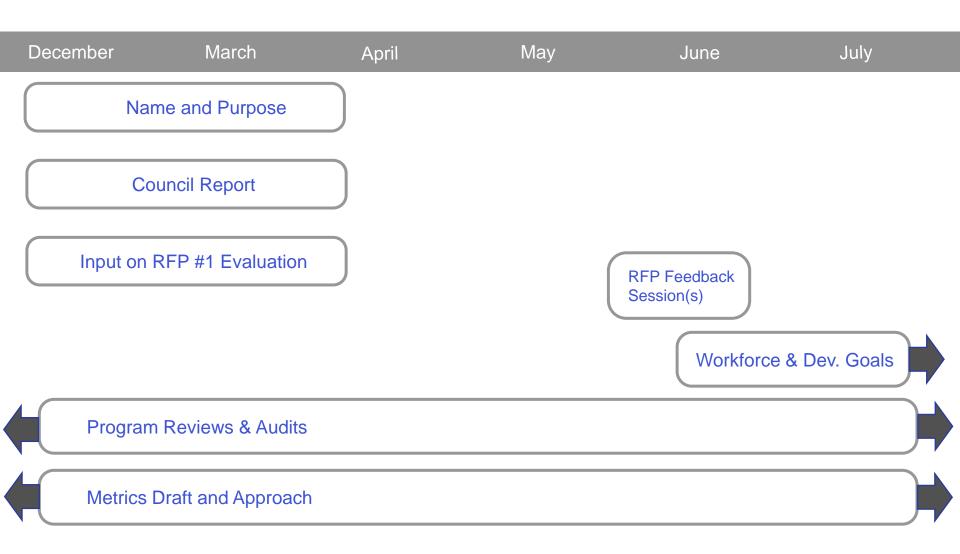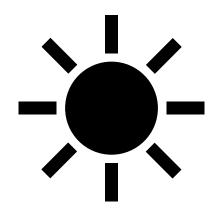
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Reporting & Evaluation To Date

- Community feedback to improve on key products and process decisions
- Event evaluations
- RFP #1 evaluation
  - Debriefs - Panelists, Eligibility Review, Staff Scoring, Technical Review, GhG Review
  - Application Data Analysis (e.g., scoring and outcomes)
  - Interviews – Applicants, Committee, SME Panelists, Other Priority Populations
  - Community Conversation(s)
- Grantee reporting and verification
- Reporting subcommittee

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Reporting and Evaluation Subcommittee

December	March	April	May	June	July

Name and Purpose

Council Report

Input on RFP #1 Evaluation

RFP Feedback Session(s)

Workforce & Dev. Goals

Program Reviews & Audits

Metrics Draft and Approach

Potential High Level Metrics

With focus on priority populations

- **Clean energy**
  - GHG reduced
  - kWh saved/generated
  - Therms saved (by fuel type displaced)
  - Dollars saved
  - Improved comfort and safety
  - Households served
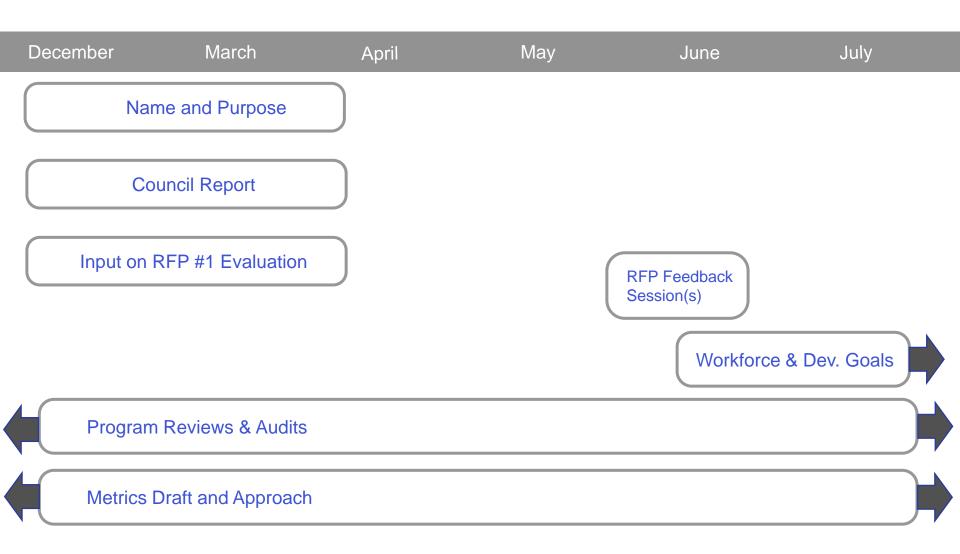- **Green infrastructure/regenerative agriculture**
  - GHG reduced
  - Trees/shrubs planted
  - Area converted
  - Lbs food produced
  - Dollars saved
  - Households served
- **Workforce development & contractor support**
  - Number of workers trained
  - Hours worked
  - Wages earned
  - Dollars contracted

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Let's Talk...

Do you have any questions or comments?

What's generating interest from you for future participation?

How does this align with PCEF Guiding Principles?

Do you have feedback on our Subcommittee purpose?

What would you like to see emphasized in R&E activities?

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Reporting & Evaluation Subcommittee

The Reporting and Evaluation Subcommittee exists to support the PCEF Grant Committee in meeting its legislatively-mandated requirements (7.07.050.E.5, 7.07.050.E.6, 7.07.040.D) regarding reporting on program effectiveness and its commitments to program effectiveness.

The Subcommittee will:

1. Develop, and update as necessary, the reporting and evaluation process. This includes consideration of *program achievements* (high level program metrics and grantee outputs and outcomes) and *processes* (what worked well in delivering our program and how we might improve).

2. Provide guidance to implementation of the reporting and evaluation process. This includes high level guidance to evaluation elements and workplan.

3. Review performance and identify items to bring to the full Committee for consideration of implications.

This subcommittee is expected to be a standing subcommittee as reporting and evaluation are a regular part of the Committee's work.

Committee member comments and reflections

Meeting close

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