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PCEF Grant Committee Meeting

September 15, 2022, 6 –7:30 p.m.

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- Committee meetings open to the public
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Raise Hand: used by Committee only.



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Introductions

Agenda

- 6:00 p.m. Introductions
- 6:10 p.m. Committee facilitator introduction
- 6:15 p.m. Commissioner remarks
- 6:20 p.m. Program structure evolution
- 7:20 p.m. Committee member closing comments
- 7:30 p.m. Meeting close

Introduction of committee facilitator

Commissioner remarks

The evolution of PCEF's program structure

Meeting these goals will strengthen PCEF's program structure

Goal #1:

Identify changes to enable accelerated funding of carbon reduction projects in alignment with ballot measure 26-201.

Goal #2:

Draw clearer and more relevant connections between PCEF and the City's carbon reduction goals.

Goal #3:

Address administrative and operational needs identified by staff and committee.

Goal #4:

Address remaining audit recommendations.

Proposed changes align with PCEF program goals

- #1: Develop 5-year Climate Investment Plan (CIP)
- #2: Initial strategic programs and funding priorities
- #3: Enabling code updates
- #4: Cleaning up the code

#1 - Develop 5-Year Climate Investment Plan

Climate Investment Plan (CIP): A strategic framework for PCEF investments

- Replaces current funding allocations in city code.
- Recommended by the PCEF Committee, approved by the Portland City Council.
- Development process includes community input and public comment.
- CIP must also specifically address:
 - Continued funding allocations for community responsive grants program;
 - New strategic programs; and
 - Measurable goals and/or outcomes for each program.
- CIP updated every 5 years, with opportunity for evaluation and responsive adjustment.
- Initial CIP must be created within 9 months with subsequent CIPs to be updated no later than 6 months after the expiration of the former CIP.

#2 - Initial strategic programs and funding priorities

Initial programs to be developed and launched immediately:

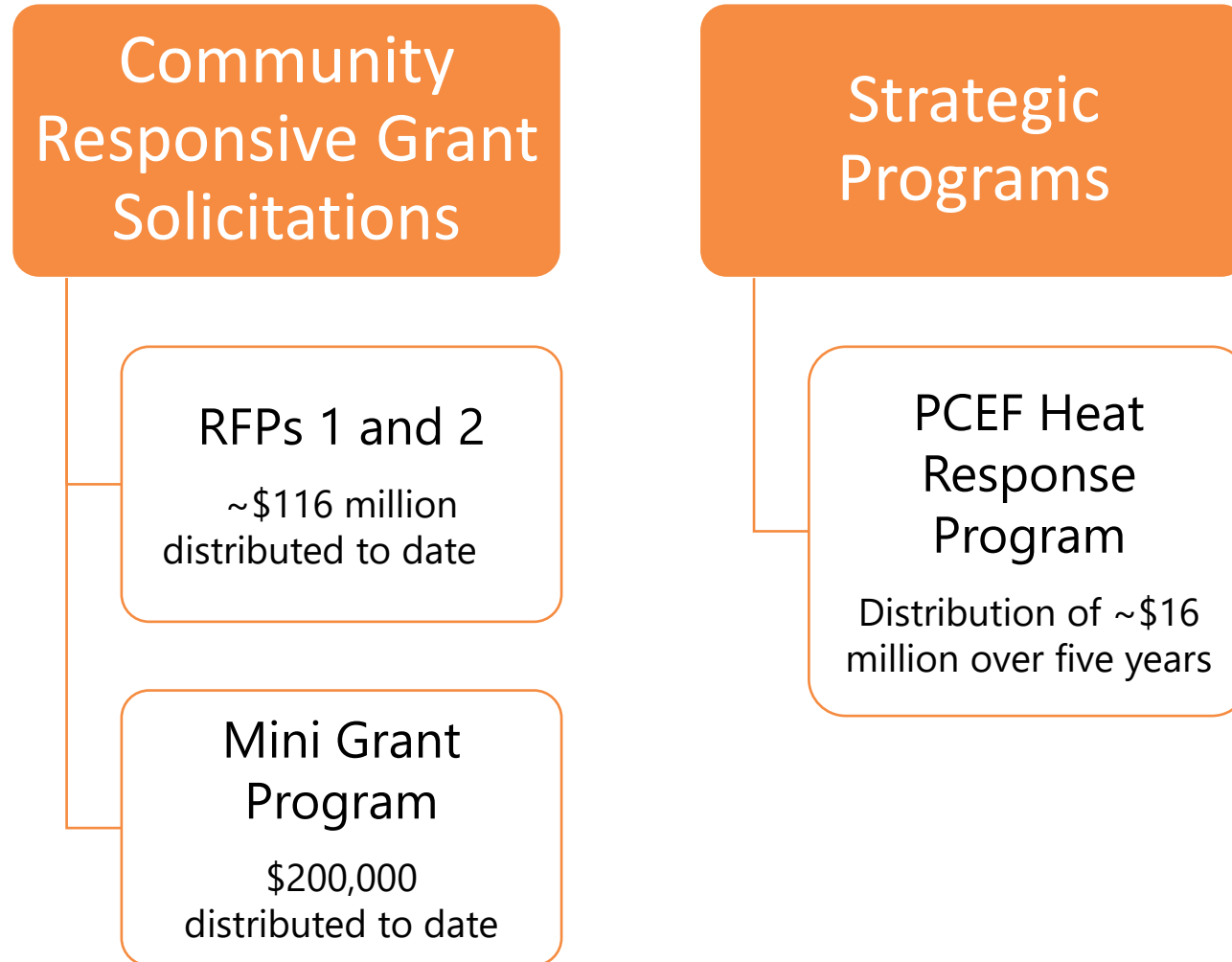
- Strategic program #1: Growing an equitable tree canopy (and workforce and contracting pool) to support the City's 2035 tree canopy cover goals - \$40 million.
- Strategic program #2: Raising the bar on efficiency and renewable energy upgrades in new and redeveloped regulated affordable multifamily housing - \$60 million.

Funding priorities and strategic programs:

- Housing and small commercial EE, RE, and embodied carbon: \$300 million
- Transportation decarbonization: \$100 million
- Low-cost access to capital for carbon reducing projects: \$100 million
- Resilient community centers: \$30 million
- Building community-based organization operational capacity: \$8 million
- 82nd Ave – planning and early investment for low carbon equitable communities: \$10 million

**The allocations above are inclusive of workforce development and contractor support programming and funding distributed through the community responsive grants program.*

Current model for PCEF program structure



Future model to strengthen PCEF program structure

Climate Investment Plans

Community Responsive Grant Solicitations

- Clean Energy
- Regenerative Agriculture / Green Infrastructure
- Workforce & Contractor Development
- Transportation Decarbonization
- Other GHG Reducing Projects
- Mini Grant Program

Strategic Programs

- PCEF Heat Response Program**
- Energy Efficiency & Renewables for Regulated Affordable Housing
- Equitable Tree Canopy
- Housing & Small Comm. EE/RE/Embodied Carbon
- Transportation Decarbonization
- Low-cost capital for carbon-reducing projects
- Resilient Community Centers
- CBO Capacity Building
- Low-carbon equitable investments along SE 82nd Ave.

#3 - Code Changes: Necessary to enable structural improvements

	Change	Goals Addressed
a.	Clarify admin vs. program expenses	4
b.	Increase admin cap (from 5% to 12%)	1, 3
c.	Require development of 5-year Climate Investment Plans that align with city carbon reduction goals	1, 2, 3
d.	Allow funds to be distributed through both grants and contracts	1
e.	Allow government entities, including schools, to be eligible grant and/or contract recipients as determined in CIPs	1
f.	Allow for-profit businesses to be eligible contract recipients for the administration of programs identified in CIPs	1
g.	Allow for the creation and funding of a permanent green infrastructure maintenance fund	1, 2

#3 - Code Changes: Necessary to enable structural improvements (continued)

	Change	Goals Addressed
h.	Authorize Bureau Director to adopt administrative rules through a defined public review process	3, 4
l.	Remove funding allocation percentages	1, 2
j.	Add and define additional funding areas for (1) Transportation Decarbonization and (2) Capacity Building	1, 3, 4
k.	Enable workforce development and contractor support grants and funding to benefit individuals and businesses outside of Portland but within the Portland metro area to increase the available workforce for Portland-based projects	1
l.	Add requirement for Committee member with significant demonstrated experience in transportation decarbonization	1, 2, 3
m.	Require Committee recommendation of CIP to City Council in lieu of recommending specific grant proposals for funding	4

#3 - Code Changes: For cleanup and consistency with other public practices

	Change
n.	Change innovation funding area to other, defined narrowly to projects that meaningfully reduce GHG emissions relative to the funding level
o.	Update all Climate Action Plan references to the City's climate action goals
p.	Clarify essential Committee roles and responsibilities
q.	Clarify criteria for publicly posting applications
r.	Remove prioritization for chronically under-employed people
s.	Clean up internal inconsistencies in definitions
t.	Expand Committee member eligibility so that Committee members can live, work, or have other demonstrated involvement within City boundaries

Next steps

- First reading at City Council on October 19
 - Opportunity for public testimony
- Second reading at City Council anticipated one to three weeks after

- Next Committee meeting on October 20, 2022
 - Discuss timeline for CIP development by July 2023

Committee member comments

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Guiding Principles



Modified consensus decision making process

- **Proposal** – put forth for consideration by Committee member
- **Temperature check** – each Committee member indicates how comfortable they are with making an affirmative decision
- **Discussion** – additional discussion if needed
- **Amendments** – Committee members can offer amendments to the original proposal
- **Decision** – each Committee member can 1) affirm the proposal, 2) stand aside, or 3) indicate that “no” they do not support the proposal. Note that standing aside is counted as a decision to affirm for the purposes of approving a proposal.

The following minimum number of affirmative decisions is required for a decision to represent the position of the PCEF Committee.

- When 6 or 7 Committee members are present : 5 Affirmative decisions
- When 8 or 9 Committee members are present : 6 Affirmative decisions