Climate Action Steering Committee (CASC) Meeting

Council Chambers, City Hall 710 NW Wall St, Bend, OR Wednesday, May 29, 2019 Minutes: Christopher Coleman

Attendees: Al Spector, Andrew Skidmore, Serena Dietrich (Left at 4:35 pm), Eric Duea, Russ Donnelly, Mike O'Neil, Rebecca McCann, Jamie Klopp, Sasha Sulia, Casey Bergh, Lindsey Hardy, Laurel Hamilton (Arrived at 3:06 pm)

Staff: Cassie Lacy

Council Liaison: Gena Goodman-Campbell (Arrived at 3:13 pm, Left at 5:56 pm)

Consultant: Josh Proudfoot (By Phone at 3:15 pm – 4:04 pm)

Co-Chair Mike O'Neil opened the meeting at 3:05 pm

I. Housekeeping

a. Approval of 03/13/2019 meeting minutes

Russ Donnelly moved to approve the 03/13/2019 meeting minutes, seconded by Sasha Sulia. Motion approved.

II. Preliminary Data Results

a. Review preliminary data results

Cassie Lacy shared two spreadsheets showing the co-benefits analysis and the carbon reduction potential and lifecycle costs of CASC's strategies. The final analysis will consolidate the two documents into one, including a cumulative impact for each of the strategies. Ms. Lacy presented a spreadsheet showing Good Company's co-benefits analysis and provided an overview of the scores and how they were measured. The scaling of carbon savings will eventually be factored into the analysis.

b. Q&A with Good Company about co-benefit results

Josh Proudfoot provided a brief overview of the data and scores presented on the spreadsheet. CASC members were invited to share their local knowledge if any of the results seemed inaccurate.

Mr. Proudfoot provided CASC members an opportunity to ask big-picture questions.

In response to Al Spector, Mr. Proudfoot provided further clarification regarding adaptation and resilience.

In response to Mr. Donnelly, Ms. Lacy confirmed that City Council decided to focus on mitigation specifically. Adaptation benefits can be characterized when writing the plan.

In response to Andrew Skidmore, Mr. Proudfoot stated that Good Company would not be able to include an additional scale to measure the significance of negative impacts.

Mr. Proudfoot provided an opportunity for CASC members to ask questions about specific strategies.

In response to Ms. Sulia, a discussion ensued about affordability and physical ability of people in relation to increasing bike mode share and social equity. Ms. Lacy confirmed that the Citywide Transportation Advisory Committee's (CTAC's) equity policies are in the meetings handout.

Mr. Proudfoot flagged this topic to revisit later. Ms. Lacy will reach out to CTAC to identify their view on bike solutions in correlation to equity.

In response to Rebecca McCann, a discussion ensued about identifying/classifying different perspectives of equity.

In response to Lindsey Hardy, Mr. Proudfoot clarified why supporting the natural environment offset for natural gas was rated higher than solar, and the assumption of biological sequestrations involved.

In response to Ryan LaPoma's question, Mr. Proudfoot explained the rationale behind why specific actions were rated so high in economic vitality. A discussion ensued regarding the scale of temporary jobs vs. permanent jobs.

Committee members were invited to submit further questions or ideas to Ms. Lacy. She will schedule a time to meet with Mr. Proudfoot to discuss them further.

In response to Ms. Hardy, Ms. Lacy informed that she is awaiting a technical memo which will explain Good Company's methodology. There will be an opportunity to ask questions regarding the greenhouse gas spreadsheet after the technical memo is received.

In response to Eric Duea, Ms. Lacy informed how to reveal all the consultant's comments on the spreadsheet.

III. Timeline

Update and Review of Timeline

Ms. Lacy provided an overview of work done since the previous CASC meeting, including a list of strategies, sub-actions, and a list of consulted stakeholders.

Ms. Lacy presented new process elements comprising of the final round of public input, engaging City Council, and governance recommendations for the Community Climate Action Plan (CCAP).

A discussion ensued regarding adjusting the timeline for collecting public input. Ms. Lacy informed that she is open to changing the timeline if that is the decision of the CASC.

Mr. Donnelly motioned to extend CASC's deadline period to the first week of November 2019 and extending the public comment period to the entire month of July, seconded by Ms. Hardy. Motion approved.

Ms. Lacy announced the new Stewardship and Community Building Subcommittees. The Stewardship Subcommittee will review the CCAP to answer questions and provide feedback before it gets presented to City Council. Ms. Lacy identified four elements as opportunities to seek Council perspectives and feedback. Ms. Lacy provided an overview of the three upcoming meetings with the Stewardship Subcommittee.

Ms. Lacy presented governance strategies and desired recommendations, including governance structure, relationship to Council, and a decision-making structure for the CCAP moving forward. A

Governance Subcommittee was formed to come up with governance recommendations. Volunteers for the Governance Subcommittee were Serena Dietrich, Mr. Spector, and Co-Chairs O'Neil and Hardy. Ms. Lacy will follow up with the Governance Subcommittee to provide further direction.

IV. Equity Update

Ms. Lacy provided an update on work done to keep equity centered. Ms. Lacy provided a recap of the Equity Subcommittee's equity approach, including planning, challenges, strategies, and next steps. Ms. Lacy recruited a consultant to help create a fact sheet about the CCAP and a tool to collect staff feedback from community organizations. Ms. Lacy announced the organizations to be included in the Equity Subcommittee's outreach.

V. CCAP Actions

a. Sub actions review

CASC members broke out into four smaller groups to review the collected actions and sub-actions in the provided meeting packet. The groups were instructed to select 0 to 3 actions that they suggest to be added, removed, or modified, and to prepare definitive recommendations to provide for their suggested edits. The four groups listed their recommendations on flipcharts.

b. Discussion

CASC reconvened, and each group shared their recommendations and suggested edits. Ms. Lacy took notes for future discussion and development. Five additional strategies will be selected at the next CASC meeting.

VI. Outreach Planning

A discussion ensued regarding outreach needed for the public comment period. Ms. Lacy will provide some language and a link for the online open house. CASC members shared ideas regarding organizations, publications, and resources that could be used to maximize outreach efforts. Ms. Lacy took notes and will send out further communication when she is ready to move forward with outreach.

Ms. Lacy announced the OCLV Pints and Politics scheduled in September and an upcoming panel presentation of the CASC at the 350 Deschutes Conference. Committee volunteers will be needed.

Ms. Lacy will send out a meeting invite for the next CASC meeting in June.

Adjourned: 6:04 pm