May 14, 2026

Environment and Climate Committee Meeting

Agenda



- Public Comment
- Approval of Meeting Minutes
- City Council Update
- Staff Updates
- CCAP Work Plan – Waste Prevention and Reuse Initiatives
- Electrification Policy Update
- Small Business Assistance Grant
- Resource Hub Update and Feedback
- Agenda Review

Public Comment

2 minutes each

Approval of Meeting Minutes

City Council Update

Staff Updates

- **Committee Member Updates**
  - Welcome Rebecca Kay!
  - Baby Baunsgard and Baby Tabor have arrived!
- **Electrification Policy:**
  - Work session: 4/22
  - First reading of ordinance and public hearing: 6/3
- **Public Works Open House Today 4 – 7**
- **Attended Cascadia USDN conference**
- **Go Electric: Sparking Conversation around Energy Efficiency**
  - *Weatherization for Income-Qualified Households* (panel): June 24, 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.
  - *Efficiency and Comfort Options for Renters*: July 23, 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

CCAP Work Plan – Waste Prevention and Reuse Initiatives

CCAP Work Plan

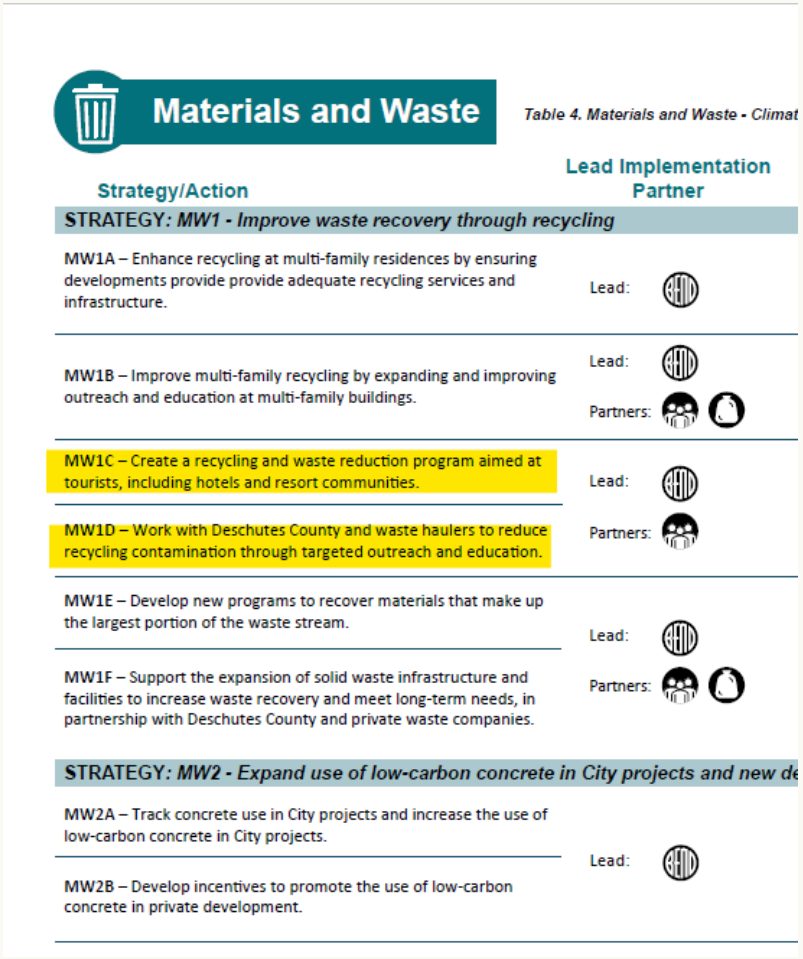
1. Develop and execute a CCAP outreach and education program
2. Develop and launch an energy navigator program
3. Develop electrification policies
4. Expand public EV charging infrastructure – April/May
5. Implement waste reduction and reuse initiatives
6. Encourage reduction in vehicle miles traveled (update every few months/every quarter) – April/May
7. Demonstrate clean energy leadership at the City (march)

Grant Funded Projects focused on Waste Reduction and Reuse

Project	Organization	CCAP Actions Addressed
Waste-Wise Events Initiative	BendNEXT Foundation	MW3B MW5A MW5B MW5C MW6A MW1C
Reuse Bend: Composting, Cups, and Culture Shift	The Environmental Center (Rethink Waste Project)	MW5C MW3A MW5B MW1C MW1D MW5A
Grow & Give: Reducing Food Waste, Reducing Greenhouse Gas Emissions, Feeding Bend	High Desert Food and Farm Alliance	MW3A MW5A MW7B

Materials and Waste Focus Area of the CCAP

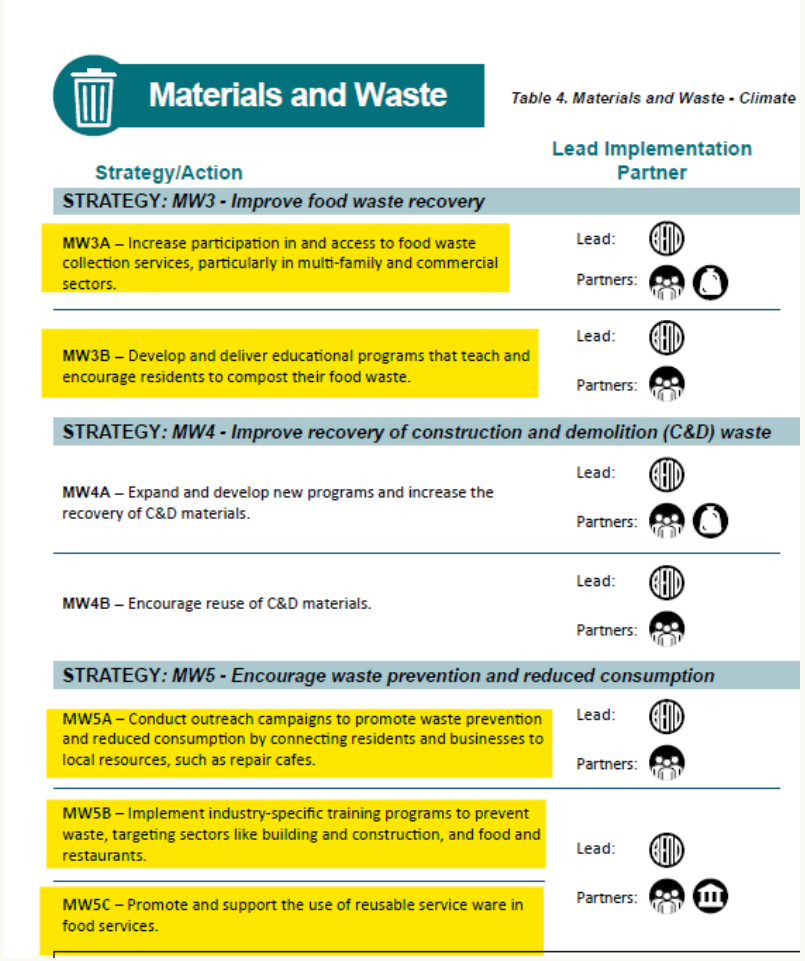
- 5/7 strategies addressed
- 9/21 actions addressed



Materials and Waste

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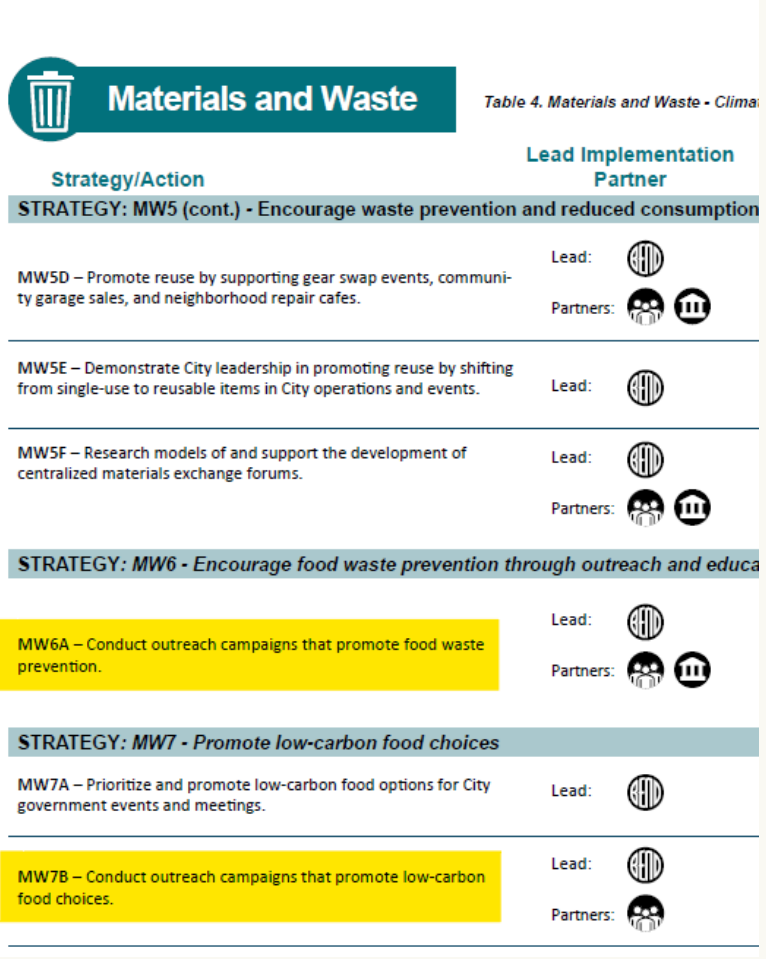
Strategy/Action	Lead Implementation Partner
STRATEGY: *MW1 - Improve waste recovery through recycling*	
MW1A – Enhance recycling at multi-family residences by ensuring developments provide provide adequate recycling services and infrastructure.	Lead:
MW1B – Improve multi-family recycling by expanding and improving outreach and education at multi-family buildings.	Lead: Partners:
MW1C – Create a recycling and waste reduction program aimed at tourists, including hotels and resort communities.	Lead:
MW1D – Work with Deschutes County and waste haulers to reduce recycling contamination through targeted outreach and education.	Partners:
MW1E – Develop new programs to recover materials that make up the largest portion of the waste stream.	Lead:
MW1F – Support the expansion of solid waste infrastructure and facilities to increase waste recovery and meet long-term needs, in partnership with Deschutes County and private waste companies.	Partners:
STRATEGY: *MW2 - Expand use of low-carbon concrete in City projects and new de*	
MW2A – Track concrete use in City projects and increase the use of low-carbon concrete in City projects.	Lead:
MW2B – Develop incentives to promote the use of low-carbon concrete in private development.	



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Strategy/Action	Lead Implementation Partner
STRATEGY: *MW3 - Improve food waste recovery*	
MW3A – Increase participation in and access to food waste collection services, particularly in multi-family and commercial sectors.	Lead: Partners:
MW3B – Develop and deliver educational programs that teach and encourage residents to compost their food waste.	Lead: Partners:
STRATEGY: *MW4 - Improve recovery of construction and demolition (C&D) waste*	
MW4A – Expand and develop new programs and increase the recovery of C&D materials.	Lead: Partners:
MW4B – Encourage reuse of C&D materials.	Lead: Partners:
STRATEGY: *MW5 - Encourage waste prevention and reduced consumption*	
MW5A – Conduct outreach campaigns to promote waste prevention and reduced consumption by connecting residents and businesses to local resources, such as repair cafes.	Lead: Partners:
MW5B – Implement industry-specific training programs to prevent waste, targeting sectors like building and construction, and food and restaurants.	Lead:
MW5C – Promote and support the use of reusable service ware in food services.	Partners:



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Strategy/Action	Lead Implementation Partner
STRATEGY: MW5 (cont.) - Encourage waste prevention and reduced consumption	
MW5D – Promote reuse by supporting gear swap events, community garage sales, and neighborhood repair cafes.	Lead: Partners:
MW5E – Demonstrate City leadership in promoting reuse by shifting from single-use to reusable items in City operations and events.	Lead:
MW5F – Research models of and support the development of centralized materials exchange forums.	Lead: Partners:
STRATEGY: *MW6 - Encourage food waste prevention through outreach and educa*	
MW6A – Conduct outreach campaigns that promote food waste prevention.	Lead: Partners:
STRATEGY: *MW7 - Promote low-carbon food choices*	
MW7A – Prioritize and promote low-carbon food options for City government events and meetings.	Lead:
MW7B – Conduct outreach campaigns that promote low-carbon food choices.	Lead: Partners:

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Electrification Policy Update

4/22 Work Session Direction

- No exemptions or discounts
  - 2 Affordable Housing providers submitted letters to the Council requesting that deed restricted affordable housing not be exempt from the fee
- Dual fuel heating systems treated as a new gas appliance with a fee adjusted to its relative energy use
- *Effective date*: April 1, 2027
- Fee applies to all structures in the Oregon Residential Specialty Code
  - Single family detached, duplex, townhome, ADUs
- Fee update and reporting process:
  - Fee updated every year via resolution
  - Annual report delivered to Council

Next Steps: Climate Pollution Fee

- Policy documents (code and ordinance) to be posted next week on Electrification Policy Webpage

- **June 3**: First reading of ordinance establishing new code chapter
  - Includes public hearing
  - Opportunity for ECC to submit a letter of support if desired
- **June 17:** Second reading of ordinance establishing new code chapter
- **April 1, 2027**: Fee goes into effect

Next Steps: Electrification Incentives

- **July-September –** staff to begin outreach with developer community for input on nonmonetary incentives

- **August-October ECC Meetings:**
  - ECC to develop recommendations for financial incentives for electrification, using revenue from fee
  - ECC to provide input into nonmonetary incentives, after hearing from developer community

- **November or December Council Work Session** – ECC and/or staff recommendation regarding financial incentives and nonmonetary incentives

Small Business Assistance Grant

Program Logistics

- $100k available for Economic Development related applications (in alignment with Economic Development Strategic Plan)
- $30k available for Climate and Sustainability related applications (in alignment with Community Climate Action Plan)
- Eligibility criteria: Small businesses, project applicability based on rubric
- Goal is to open applications in June-July 2026 and have decisions on awards in the early fall
- Staff will complete internal screening first
  - BEDAB will score and evaluate Economic Development applications
  - ECC will score and evaluate Climate and Sustainability related applications
- Staff will collect scoring feedback and make final recommendation to City Manager for grant award approval

Eligible Projects and Costs

Eligible Projects

- Projects that directly support implementation of the CCAP or reduce the environmental impact of business operations, including:
  - Energy-efficiency upgrades or audits*
  - Electrification of equipment or facilities*
  - On-site renewable energy feasibility or installation planning*
  - Waste reduction, reuse, or composting systems
  - Low-carbon operational practices or fleet transitions
  - Climate metrics, tracking, or reporting tools

Eligible Costs

- Staff time and contracted service providers
- Equipment, tools, or technology essential to the project
- Training, certification, or professional services
- Marketing, communications, and translation
- Supplies and operational expenses related to the project
- Technical studies
- Professional assessments
- Implementation support necessary to achieve measurable environmental outcomes

Eligibility

Applications must meet the following criteria to be considered eligible for funding:

- The applicant must be a private-sector business registered in the State of Oregon
- The applicant must possess a City of Bend business license and be in good standing
- The applicant must employ 50 or fewer employees
- The proposed project must benefit the business' operations within the City of Bend
- The proposed project must meet at least one of the following support requirements:
- Support one or more of the following CoBEDSP priority areas:
  - Business retention and stability
  - Inclusive prosperity and access to opportunity
  - Economic resilience and risk preparedness
  - Planning for future growth and competitiveness
  - Innovation and modernization
- OR
- Support one or more of the 2025 Community Climate Action Plan's four focus areas.

Exampled of Eligible Projects

Initial Application

- Business submits application

Staff Screening

- Internal review team screens applications for completeness and eligibility
- Staff determines whether an application aligns with the CCAP focus areas or CoBEDSP core economic dev. Goals
- Staff will review and score based on evaluation matrix
- Staff will refer the application to one or both advisory boards based

Advisory Body Review

- ECC or BEDAB will review application and may invite applicants to resent their proposals at a public meeting
- Advisory body will score applicants
- Staff will collect scoring feedback and make final recommendation to City Manager for grant award approval

Award

City Manager makes final decision

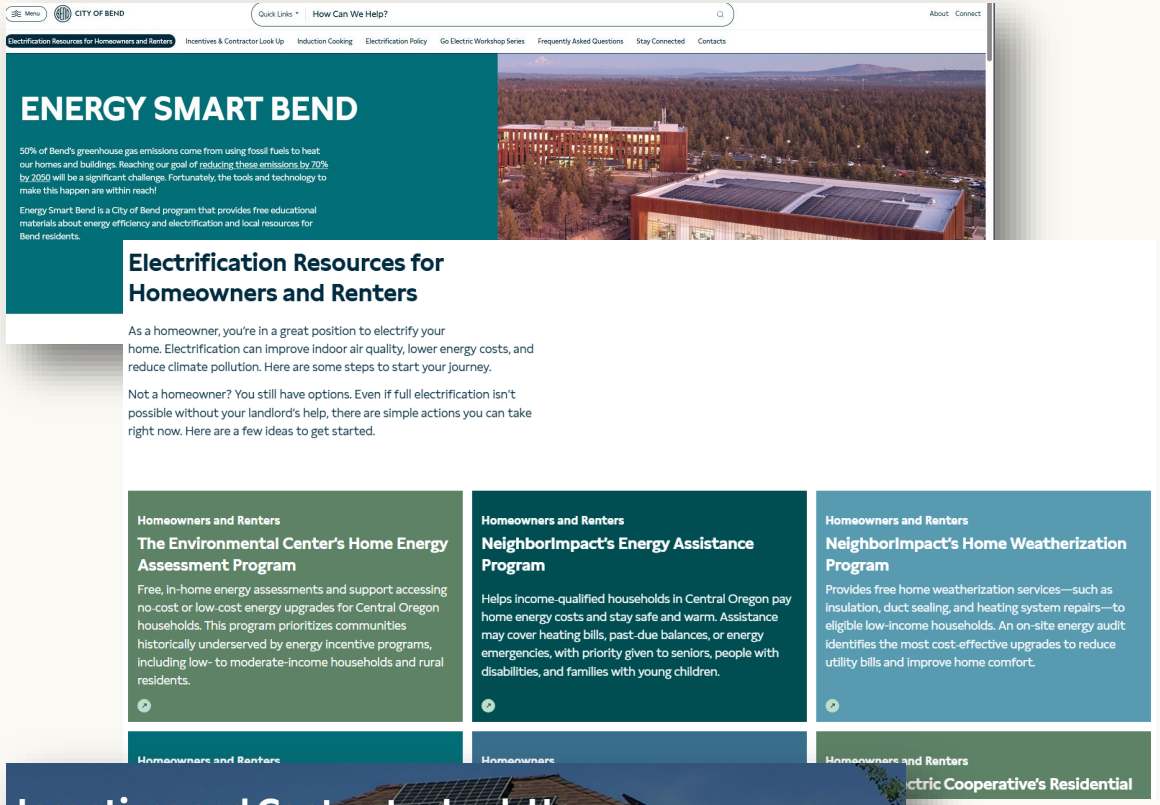
Grant Agreement

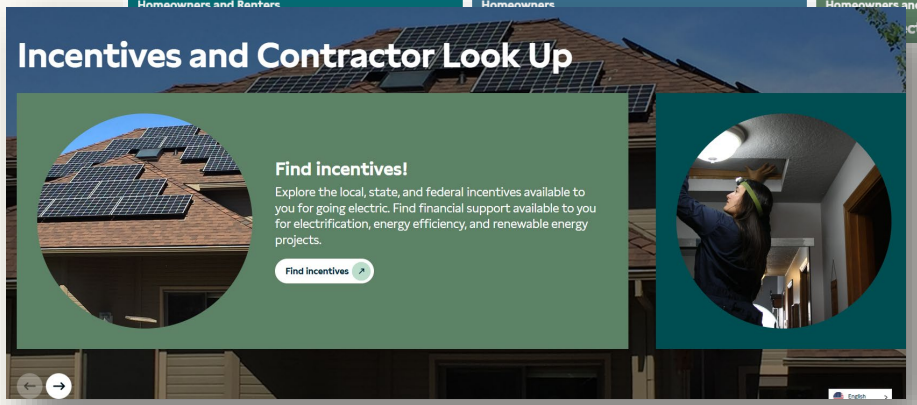
- Up to 2 years from agreement date to complete projects

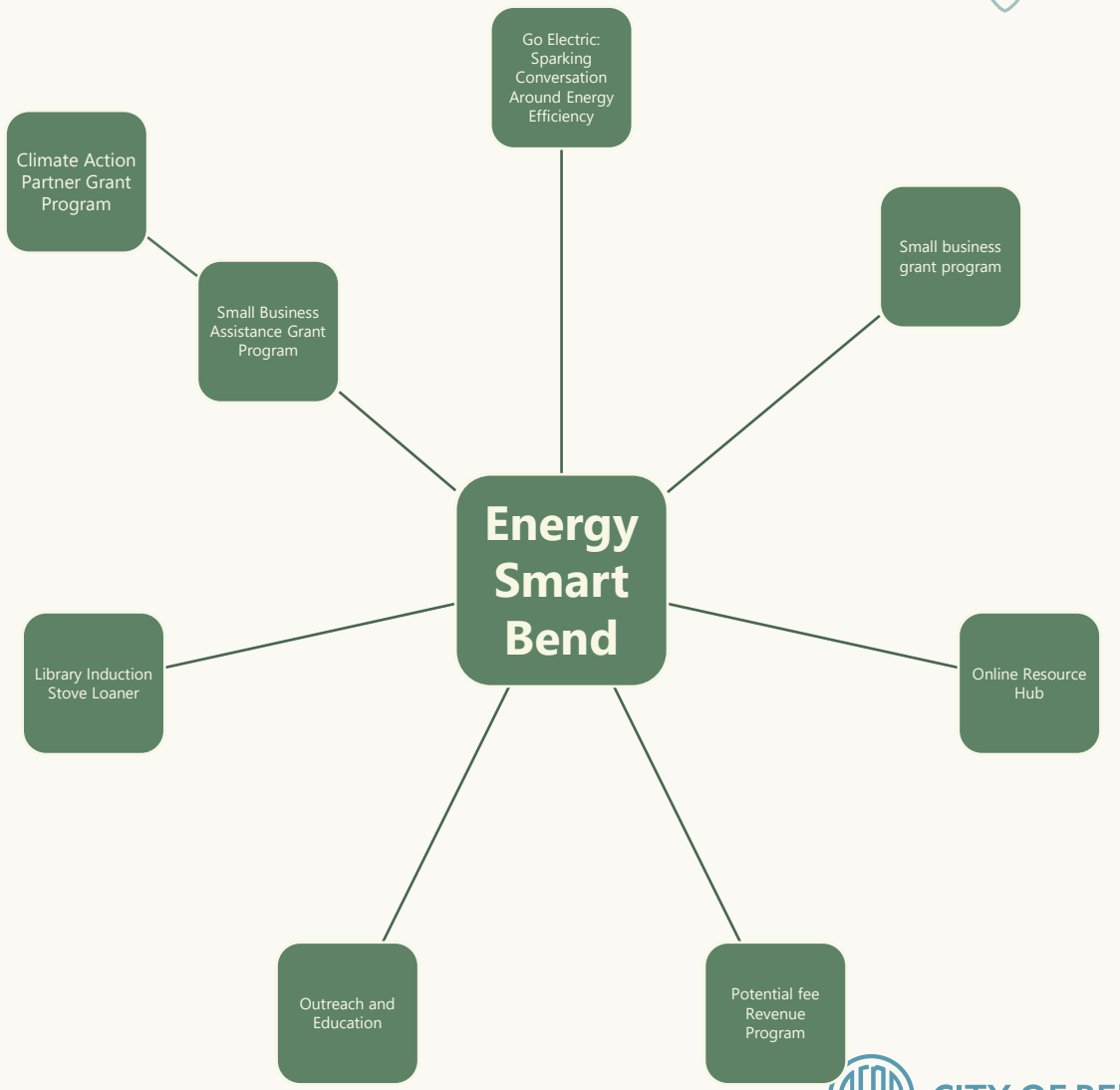
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Resource Hub Update & Feedback

City Energy Program Structure







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Discussion Questions

- General thoughts?
- What is missing?
- What else would be helpful or people? What is not helpful?
- How do we get people to use this?

Agenda Review

June ‘26	July ‘26	August ‘26
• Waste Prevention and Reuse Continued • CCAP Work Plan – EV Readiness Plan/Public EV Charging	• Cancelled	• Climate Action Partner Grant Program year 2 • Electrification Incentives

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