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Agenda

MEETING: METRO COUNCIL WORK SESSION
DATE: December 15, 2009
DAY: Tuesday
TIME: 2:00 p.m.
PLACE: Metro Council Chamber

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

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| 2:00 PM | 1. | DISCUSSION OF AGENDA FOR COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING, DECEMBER 17, 2009/ADMINISTRATIVE/CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER COMMUNICATIONS | |
| 2:15 PM | 2. | CLIMATE INITIATIVE UPDATE | Rahn |
| 3:15 PM | 3. | BREAK | |
| 3:20 PM | 4. | URBAN AND RURAL RESERVES DISCUSSION | McArthur/Williams/staff |
| 4:20 PM | 5. | COUNCIL BRIEFINGS/COMMUNICATION | |

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Work Session Worksheet

Presentation Date: December 15, 2009 Time: 2:50-3:50 Length: 60 minutes

Presentation Title: Climate Initiative Update

Service, Office, or Center: Sustainability Center

Presenters (include phone number/extension and alternative contact information):
Heidi Rahn, Sustainability Center, x1535

ISSUE & BACKGROUND

Metro Council approved an investment in climate change analysis and coordination in order to meet Oregon's greenhouse gas reduction (GHG) goals set in 2007 by the state legislature. The state's greenhouse gas reduction targets call for a stop to emission increases by 2010, a 10 percent reduction in emissions below 1990 levels by 2020 and a 75 percent reduction in emissions below 1990 levels by 2050.

Investment Desired Outcomes:

- Strong technical foundation for good decision-making;
- Climate change impact is key factor in policy and program decisions;
- Successful collaboration with regional partners.

Activities Proposed:

- Developing regional greenhouse gas emissions tools to help Metro and the region assess and prioritize program options;
- Applying a greenhouse gas emissions "lens" to key Metro initiatives;
- Working with regional partners to identify best management practices and opportunities for collaboration; and
- Identifying specific project investment opportunities.

Milestones/Progress to date:

- Developed a draft regional greenhouse gas emissions inventory to inform strategic action;
- Hosted a climate change communications workshop for regional partners;
- Coordinated the Portland Metro Climate Prosperity engagement meetings attended by more than 150 regional stakeholders;
- Launched a regional partnership with the University of Oregon to conduct a Lower Willamette River Basin Climate Preparation Strategy; and
- Created an internal cross-functional team to begin scoping the HB 2001 GHG scenario planning requirements.

Additional information will be provided during the work session.

QUESTION(S) PRESENTED FOR CONSIDERATION

How would Council like to review and provide feedback on the proposed Climate Prosperity strategy (comment period scheduled for January 12 – 28)?

LEGISLATION WOULD BE REQUIRED FOR COUNCIL ACTION __Yes x_No

DRAFT IS ATTACHED ____Yes No