

Green New Deal Oversight Board

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Public Meeting

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Staff Updates



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Board Appointments Process



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Reappointment and Vacant Positions

- 2026-2029 Frontline Community Rep (FCR)
 - Reappointment for Nancy
 - **3 Vacant**
- 2026-2029 Tribal Rep
 - **2 Vacant**
- 2026-2029 Youth Rep
 - Reappointment for Hannah
 - **1 Vacant**
- **2025-2028** Labor Union Rep
 - **1 Vacant**



Current Positions for 2025-2028

- **Aki** Emissions Reduction Rep
- **Nina** Emissions Reduction Rep
- **Emily** Emission Reduction Rep
- **Roz** Workforce Training Rep
- **Jamie** EJ Org Rep
- **Fatima** EJ Org Rep
- **Peter** Labor Union Rep
- **Brittani** Labor Union Rep
- **John** Labor Union Rep



Board Appointments Process

- We received about 35 applications
- The application review committee is actively reviewing and will meet to discuss who to move forward to interviews this week.
- There is one Frontline Community seat that is appointed by the Board.
 - The Interview committee and Executive committee will send you their recommendation by August 6th over email
 - **Please give your input no later than August 10th.**

Councilmember Meet and Greets



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Councilmember Meet and Greet

- Purpose of these meetings are to build relationships, learn about their environmental and climate priorities and to build connections between their priorities and the Board's work
- We have met with Council President Hollingsworth's staffer, Councilmember Rink, Councilmember Rivera
- We will meet with Councilmember Foster's staffer and Councilmember Saka
- We focused on sharing Budget and CAP recommendations, and discussing community assemblies
 - They were glad we reminded them about the Budget recommendations that staff transmitted to them

Board Field Trip



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Board Field Trip- need to add photos

- Rachel gave a tour of her land
- Board members drank delicious tea
- Did some invasive species removal
- Hoping to have the Board visit in the fall



CAP Survey and CAP Forum



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CAP Survey

- The deadline was extended until today! Please fill out the survey and share it with your communities.

CAP Forum

- People from various sectors in attendance
- Presentations were given by OSE, Susan Dickerson-Lang from UW Climate Impacts Group and Dr. Stephan Wheat from UW CHanGE
- Gallery walk, small group discussion to generate more recommendations for CAP actions and metrics, and social hour

Climate Ready Curriculum



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Climate Ready Curriculum

- The Climate Ready Curriculum provides information on how to prepare yourself and your community for Seattle-specific climate hazards
- It was co-created with community-based groups and organizations to support community climate resilience
- After reviewing the curriculum, you'll have knowledge of:
 - How to prepare yourself and your neighbors for wildfire smoke, extreme heat, extreme winter weather, and extreme rain and flooding
 - How to stay safe and protect your health during these climate hazards
 - Where to find additional free resources, services, and information to make sure you're prepared

Train the Trainer Session



Executive Committee Updates



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Social Housing Board Appointment



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Executive Committee Strategy Meetings



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Budget/ CAP Recommendations

- Budget and CAP Recommendations are being popularized at Councilmember Meet and Greet
- The next phase of the Budget recommendations strategy is for the Board and PPP committee to review the Mayor's proposed budget that will come out in late September
- The next phase for the CAP recommendations strategy is to give input on the CAP draft that will be released in October



Data Center Strategy

- Data Center Moratorium passed-there is a year long pause on new large data center construction so City departments can do impact studies
 - OSE is in charge of creating a Community Benefits Agreement Framework
- The Executive committee has decided to be intentional about the data center research and community engagement process
- The Board should receive enough community input to create a Board stance by November or December



Connecting with Other Commissions and Advisory Councils

- The Exec committee was invited to join the Indigenous Advisory Council meeting on August 14th to talk about the Board's work, learn more about each other's priorities and how to support each other
- We still need to have further conversations on how to get other Board members involved with connecting to other Commissions to support each others work



Policy Priorities

- We discussed the importance of the Board having policy priorities
- The Board has been responding to climate and environmental actions as they come up, having policy priorities would support building momentum and being proactive on the work the Board wants to uplift
- It is a good communication tool for the public, new Board members and City Staff to learn about what you all want to do
- PPP committee used a set of priorities to guide the creation of this year's budget and CAP recommendations.
 - Staff recommended that we take a look at those guiding priorities and build them out
- Exec committee will work to build out the priorities and figure out a process to get the Board's input and feedback



Action Request Process

- The exec committee has started to build out an action request process for non-urgent requests
- This process is a way to address the prioritization of our work, timelines and capacity to respond
- The process will be easy to use and would get the Board all the information needed to take action
- We expect to share a draft with the Board in August



Lunch and Learn



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Lunch and Learn

- Alec discussed bank and pension legislation the City can pass to support energy transition and cut off financing for fossil fuel companies through its financial management
- The legislation focuses on the City committing to hiring banks that have clear climate goals, or that don't finance fossil fuel expansion, for all of its new contracts . As for pensions, the City would commit to not buying new debt issued by coal, oil and gas companies
- The PPP Committee has reviewed the letter and agreed that it should be supported
- Staff will be sending out the letter again for you to review
- Please be prepared to vote on this letter in the August Meeting



Board Updates: Community Engagement and Policy Projects and Programs Committee



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Community Engagement Committee Update: Gathering Input on Data Centers

- The CEC committee will create the outreach strategy and lead community engagement
- The PPP committee will be in charge of the research process and support CEC by creating data center talking points
- CEC has been working on finalizing a date for a CEC/Board hosted community event focused on the data center moratorium sometime in October
- CEC is discussing options for possibly attending other community events hosted by community partners to get input on data centers
- The CEC is working on building out a communications toolkit and looking into community events to possibly attend



Policies, Projects, Programs Committee

Update: Data Center Research

- The PPP committee began talking about principles and values and decided that having shared principles would be a helpful guide as the committee continues to do research
- The PPP committee is drafting a list of principles modeled after NAACP's principles on data centers
- **ACTION NEEDED:** Once principles are drafted, PPP will ask all Board members to connect with their Board buddy to go over these principles and review a research questions document to get feedback
- Once input and questions have been received, we will work to integrate your feedback into the principles and compile and split up the research questions

