

BPRC Subcommittee 3, Meeting #2
April 10, 2022
Notes

Meeting Location: Webex

Members: Deepa Sivarajan, Davon Thomas, Sean Watts, Sophia Faller (absent); **BPRC Co-Chairs:** Marlon Herrera, Jessica Farmer

SPR Staff: Brian Judd, David Takami

Subject Matter Experts (SMEs): Justin Cutler, Michele Finnegan, Joey Furuto, Andy Sheffer

Next Meeting: Saturday, April 16, 1 – 2:30 p.m. NOTES

GENERAL NOTES

- Brian reviewed Guiding Principles and Deepa suggested the group spend time going over the proposals one by one to relate them to the principles and see if anyone had questions for SMEs. This is a general discussion not yet focused on funding allocations and targets.
- Brian then presented the budget allocation spreadsheet that subcommittee members to prioritize and also an interactive GIS map showing project locations.
- In preparation for next Saturday’s deeper dive into funding prioritization, subcommittee members will submit their prioritization spreadsheets to each other by Friday, April 15.

SUBCOMM	STRATEGY	PROPOSALS	STAFF	NOTES
#3 Investing for the Future <i>Facilitator: Brian</i>	<i>Responding to Climate Change</i>	Climate Conscious Buildings (<i>Capital</i>)	Kim	<p>Q: No equity score? A (Michele): No, for capital projects, because the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) include equity as one of five criteria, we didn’t do a separate rating for capital projects in these proposal packets. [More information about this distinction is in the slide deck for the March 24th BPRC meeting]</p> <p>Q (Deepa) For this proposal can we get more information re: 1) If not too difficult, a projection of greenhouse gas emissions/reductions related to the Climate Conscious Buildings strategy 2) Cost of proposal without solar array</p> <p>Deepa: The first 3 proposals do address need to reduce greenhouse gas; provide cool places to go during heat and smoke events; improving air filtration. We need to ensure equity in implementation, e.g., how CCs are prioritized.</p> <p>Sean: Re: equity, I’d like to see targeted recruitment of vendors among minority and disadvantaged businesses. Across the entire spending plan.</p> <p>Davon: I like the first 3 proposals; but want to know if there are ways to increase equity score from low or medium.</p>
		Community Center Pre-Electrification (<i>Capital</i>)	Kim	Andy: In some cases, low equity rating has to do with location of facilities
		Replacing Fossil Fuels in Small Mech. Systems	Kim	

<p style="text-align: center;">Building Community Capacity</p>	Restoring and Increasing Urban Canopy	Joey	<p>Deepa: This proposal has a high equity score and fairly low level of investment given potential impact.</p> <p>Marlon: This is a priority for many constituents.</p> <p>Deepa: There may be an opportunity to collaborate with local tribes about indigenous species</p> <p>Sean: Also an opportunity for public/private partnerships with community organizations involved in training youth for green jobs. Important to partner with local organizations.</p> <p>Davon: Little investment can go long way.</p>
	Sustainable Irrigation Replacement & Upgrade (Capital)	Kim	<p>Davon: low equity score, but infrastructure improvement important systemwide.</p> <p>Deepa: low equity score driven by equipment in need of repairs</p> <p>Marlon: Low equity score may be misleading; in big picture, water comes from Cedar and Tolt rivers; saving water and boosting salmon are equity issues.</p>
	Water Reuse Partnerships (Capital)	Kim	<p>Davon/Deepa: Could SPR get back to us about possibly scaling this proposal if we want to fund some of these locations but not all?</p> <p>Davon: re: geographic locations and race and social equity index, Green Lake is located in north end but people come to park from all over the city. Good for us to consider all aspects of equity score.</p> <p>Deepa: This proposal doesn't have baseline level of funding.</p>
	Inclusive Outreach & Engagement	Justin	<p>Deepa: wanted to flag something re: Get Moving health indicators. Is there a better, more holistic indicator than obesity?</p> <p>Justin Cutler explained how grant programs are administered, publicized and described the launching a new process of rolling applications (not one deadline) and technical assistance in direct response to community feedback on how to improve access.</p> <p>Sean asked if there was sharing of best practices and learning among grant recipient cohorts to help share information and increase community capacity in the future? Justin stated he would look into it.</p>
	Equity Fund Increment (Capital)	Andy	<p>Sean: Great to see this fund on its way. It will help improve long-term community capacity building. 100 percent. Investment level increase?</p> <p>Deepa: The no-match provision favors community groups.</p>
	Urban Food Systems	Joey	Members expressed support for this.
	Seattle Conservation Corps Expansion	Andy	Members expressed support, but several wanted to more information from the department about the SCC program: how people get into program, program outcomes, whether enrollees return to homelessness, relation between SPR involvement in removing encampments vs. this program, what the partnership among various City agencies looks like (what are their roles), how money will be spent

	<i>Developing & Enhancing Park Assets</i>	New Park Development <i>(Capital)</i>	Kim	<p>Deepa: Can we get a budget estimate if we only wanted to fund the highest disadvantaged / second highest sites?</p> <p>Sean: Also a breakdown of cost estimates (soft costs versus construction)?</p>
		Smith Cove Phase 2 <i>(Capital)</i>	Kim	<p>Deepa: because of low equity impact this has less priority for me; I realize people in neighborhood want it.</p> <p>Marlon: Given the equity score can we look for other funding for this, e.g., REET?</p> <p>Jessica: something to consider: this was in first 6-year plan and got deferred</p> <p>Deepa: which brings up another consideration: how we communicate changing circumstances and priorities given these prior commitments</p>
		Acquisition Funding <i>(Capital)</i>	Michele	<p>Deepa: I understand that property acquisitions present themselves when opportunities arise. Can we get more information about how equity is prioritized in the acquisition program? E.g. equity zones</p>