

# **Study Session**



# Milwaukie City Council



#### **COUNCIL STUDY SESSION**

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# REVISED AGENDA OCTOBER 12, 2021 (Revised October 11, 2021)

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#### Executive Session (5:15 p.m.)

Before the study session Council will meet in executive session pursuant to Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 192.660 (2)(d) to conduct deliberations with persons designated by the governing body to carry on labor negotiations. (Added to the agenda)

**Note:** agenda item times are estimates and are subject to change.

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#### Council Goal: Climate Action – Update (6:00 p.m.)

Staff: Peter Passarelli, Public Works Director, and Natalie Rogers, Climate & Natural Resources Manager

2. Adjourn (7:00 p.m.)

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#### COUNCIL STUDY SESSION

#### MINUTES

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Council Present: Councilors Lisa Batey, Angel Falconer, Desi Nicodemus, Council President Kathy Hyzy, and

Mayor Mark Gamba

Staff Present: Ann Ober, City Manager Natalie Rogers, Climate & Natural Resource Manager

Peter Passarelli, Public Works Director Scott Stauffer, City Recorder

Mayor Gamba called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

#### 1. Council Goal: Climate Action - Update

**Rogers** and **Passarelli** provided an update on the city's ongoing climate action work, including clean energy, energy affordability, and environmental justice legislation passed or considered by the state legislature in 2021. The group remarked on which failed climate bills may be reintroduced in future legislative sessions.

**Rogers** reported on the city's ongoing Climate Collaborative Campaign work with Portland General Electric (PGE). The group remarked on the popularity of the electric tool exchange event and other venues that exchange gas-powered tools for energy efficient tools or other incentives.

Rogers discussed the city's work with PGE and other cities in the region to develop a community green tariff and reviewed other projects the city planned to work with PGE on, including energy pricing and sources. The group discussed the city's efforts to work with PGE to make sure low-income customers would be protected from rate increases while looking at adding a dedicated climate infrastructure revenue generating source to utility rates. Councilor Batey, Rogers, and Passarelli commented on whether the city could obtain general aggregated, not rate-payer specific, data from PGE about low-income rate payers. The group noted that the city and PGE planned to present a green tariff proposal to the Oregon Public Utility Commission (PUC) by fall 2022.

**Rogers** presented other issues the city and PGE were working on, including the installation of electric vehicle (EV) charging stations on utility poles. **Councilor Batey** and **Rogers** remarked on where pole-mounted EV charging stations could be placed in Milwaukie and noted that PGE offered programs to assist residents in financing the installation of charging stations. The group noted that reserved parking spaces near pole-mounted stations for charging vehicles would need to be monitored by parking enforcement staff which was a part of the project that was still being developed.

**Rogers** and **Ober** provided an update on the city's work to develop a tree code, noting a delay in the public hearing schedule and community reactions received to-date. **Rogers** explained how the draft tree code had been developed and continued to evolve and how the public could review and comment on the draft code language.

**Rogers** discussed the city's urban forestry work, the creation of an urban forest hotline, and plans for the city's Arbor Day event and seasonal tree trimming along public roads.

Rogers presented an update on the development of a countywide climate action plan (CAP). Mayor Gamba and Council President Hyzy noted that local elected officials

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would be asked to provide feedback on the county CAP. The group noted the city's CAP was the most developed of any city plan in the county and other cities had expressed interest in modeling their plans after Milwaukie's.

**Passarelli** noted that Council would receive another CAP update in spring 2022 and staff planned to discuss climate action funding strategies.

#### 2. Adjourn

Mayor Gamba adjourned the meeting at 7:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott Stauffer, City Recorder

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Date Written:

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Sept 30, 2021

#### **COUNCIL STAFF REPORT**

To: Mayor and City Council

Ann Ober, City Manager

Reviewed: Peter Passarelli, Public Works Director

From: Natalie Rogers, Climate & Natural Resource Manager

Subject: Climate Action Plan Update

#### **ACTION REQUESTED**

Council is asked to receive an update on the Climate Action Plan (CAP), including the Portland General Electric (PGE) green tariff and Climate Collaborative, private tree code, and outreach.

#### HISTORY OF PRIOR ACTIONS AND DISCUSSIONS

March 3, 2020: Council received an update on CAP implementation with a focus on the 2030 energy goal and PGE programs and energy product opportunities.

May 12, 2020: Council received an informational presentation on a potentially carbon-free electricity product being explored by PGE.

<u>August 11, 2020</u>: Council received an update on carbon-free electricity product development from PGE.

<u>December 8, 2020</u>: Council received an update on the CAP and provided direction for future energy discussions.

<u>December 15, 2020</u>: Council adopted a resolution authorizing a memorandum of understanding (MOU) between PGE and the city to address climate and resiliency goals.

March 9, 2021: Council received an update on the Climate Collaborative Campaign, 2021 legislation, and the PGE community green tariff product.

<u>June 8, 2021</u>: Council received an update on the Home Energy Score program, 2021 legislation, and the private tree code development.

#### **ANALYSIS**

The city's <u>Climate Action Plan</u> (CAP) and <u>climate emergency declaration</u> call for carbon-free electricity by 2030, zero-emissions from fossil fuels by 2035, and community carbon neutrality by 2045. Even with the current regulatory efforts to decarbonize the electrical mix, there is still a <u>gap to close in order to reach the 2030 goal</u>. Staff continues to collaborate with PGE and regional stakeholders to close this gap through community outreach and engagement and development of new residential and small commercial renewable energy products.

Another focus of the city's climate work has been on the promotion and expansion of natural resources and conservation efforts. The CAP includes a goal of achieving a 40% canopy cover by 2040. Public and private tree code for canopy preservation is a key strategy to achieve this goal and protect the community benefits that trees provide.

#### Legislation Follow Up

The 2021 Oregon state legislative session passed some bills relevant to the city's climate goals, while others are being re-worked for the 2022 short session.

House Bill (HB) 2021, the clean energy transition bill, passed and was signed into law. Utilities, the Public Utility Commission (PUC), state staff, and local jurisdictions are moving into implementation. HB 2021 included language for the community green tariff and will help the city achieve its climate goals by requiring electricity providers to decarbonize at a faster rate. The measure requires certain retail electricity providers to reduce greenhouse gas emissions associated with electricity sold to Oregon consumers to 80 percent below baseline emissions levels by 2030; 90 percent by 2035; and 100 percent by 2040 and every year thereafter. Each electric company with 25,000 or fewer customers will be required to develop and submit to the PUC and the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality a plan for meeting clean energy targets..

<u>HB 2475</u>, the energy affordability bill, passed and was signed into law. The PUC may now create low-income rate structures to reduce energy costs for low-income customers. In addition, organizations representing environmental justice communities will be able to participate in energy decision making at the PUC.

<u>HB 2398</u>, which would allow jurisdictions to adopt the state reach code as a mandatory building code, did not pass this legislative session. A workgroup continues to meet to further refine the bill and address labor union issues to prepare the bill for the 2022 session.

#### **Climate Collaborative Update**

The goal of the Climate Collaborative is to increase awareness of Milwaukie's CAP and feature actions from PGE, the Energy Trust of Oregon, and community-based organizations that community members can take to help achieve Milwaukie's climate goals. Community members can visit <a href="www.climatecollaborativenw.com">www.climatecollaborativenw.com</a> to sign a climate pledge and take several actions. As of September 28, 90 community members had signed the climate pledge.

In addition to online engagement, key community events are being promoted, including the Electric Tool Exchange, which occurred on September 12 (91 tools exchanged and recycled), and the Elk Rock Island Oregon SOLVE event on September 18 (245 lbs. of trash collected).

#### **Community Green Tariff Update**

Staff are continuing to meet with PGE to develop the community green tariff product after the passing of HB 2021. PGE and staff from the cities of Milwaukie and Beaverton have aligned on product goals and initial campaign concepts and are working to develop a plan to present to the PUC, inducing rate structure, supply management, additional program elements, and low-income ratepayer considerations. Staff estimates that this process will take about 10 months and in the meantime, staff will continue to ask Council for input on the campaign's progression. PGE and city staff will develop an outreach plan to inform residents and address concerns.

#### Tree Code Update

Adopting private and public tree codes are key strategies in meeting the city's 40% tree canopy goal by 2040. Staff continue to refine the draft tree code developed through the Comprehensive Plan implementation process and will work with consultants to develop outreach and education materials to increase community awareness and understanding of the tree code and urban forest efforts. Staff aim to have materials prepared for the November 6 Arbor Day celebration to use the event as an engagement opportunity.

#### **Pole Charging Update**

Milwaukie staff have also been working with PGE to explore and install pole-mounted electric vehicle (EV) charging infrastructure in the public right-of-way (ROW). This infrastructure would increase charging accessibility in neighborhoods where personal or business-owned infrastructure is limited or unavailable due to a lack of dedicated EV charging parking spaces for multifamily housing or public parking lots. PGE and city staff are considering pole-mounted charger location in residential neighborhoods near downtown that are in close proximity to community spaces such as the library and religious centers. PGE is finalizing the pole design and placing orders for the infrastructure, and over the next month staff and PGE will coordinate on construction timelines, outreach, and the ROW permitting process.

#### **BUDGET IMPACT**

None.

#### **WORKLOAD IMPACT**

The workload for development and coordination of PGE programs and products is already accounted for in public works staff workplans. Tree code outreach and engagement will have an impact on staff workload, however, this impact is temporary and essential for achieving the city's canopy goals.

#### **CLIMATE IMPACT**

The state-level policies to decarbonize the energy sector and increase energy affordability will shrink the gap the city faces to reach its goal of net-zero emissions from electricity by 2030. The community green tariff product may assist in providing a more affordable carbon-free energy product that aligns with the city's climate action plan.

#### COORDINATION, CONCURRENCE, OR DISSENT

Staff are continuing to coordinate with PGE and other cities on climate legislation and development of the green tariff product. Tree code outreach requires close coordination with Tree Board, planning department staff, code enforcement and contractors.

#### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that Council receive the update and provide direction to staff if needed.

#### **ALTERNATIVES**

None.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

None.



## Overview

- 2021 Legislative Follow Up
- Climate Collaborative
- Community Green Tariff
- Pole Charging
- Tree Code
- Clackamas County CAP



# 2021 Legislation Follow Up

## House Bill (HB) 2021 - PASSED

- clean energy transition bill
  - 80 percent below baseline emissions levels by 2030
  - 90 percent by 2035
  - 100 percent by 2040 and every year thereafter.
- community green tariff language

### **HB 2475 - PASSED**

- energy affordability bill
- low-income rate structures to reduce energy costs
- environmental justice community representation at the PUC.

### HB 2398 - FAILED, RETURNING 2022

allows jurisdictions to adopt the state reach code as a mandatory building code

## Climate Collaborative Update



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## COMING TOGETHER FOR THE CLIMATE



#### JOIN THE MOVEMENT

Climate Collaborative is based on Milwaukie's Climate Action Plan adopted in 2018 and designed to give everyone in Milwaukie the tools and knowledge to keep building a brighter, cleaner future for the community we love. There are lots of ways to get involved – from small changes at home to big energy upgrades – but it all starts with one simple action: pledging to make a difference.

I'm a proud Milwaukian and by signing this pledge, I'm committing to doing my part for a sustainable and completely carbonneutral Milwaukie.

I will take action to fight the climate crisis at home, at work, and in my community and help others do the same. Together, we will make Milwaukie a flourishing community for generations to come.

	First Name*
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	Email*
	Street Address*
	City, State, ZIP*

#### SMALL ACTIONS, BIG DIFFERENCE

Whether it's from the comfort of your home or at work, these simple actions will help you get started on your long-term commitment to a more sustainable community.

#### HOME

#### RUSINESS



#### **Use Clean Energy**

Help reduce our community's carbon footprint by signing up for clean energy programs from PGE.

CLEAN ENERGY CHOICES FOR YOUR HOME

#### Save Ener

#### Save Energy at Home

Find programs, incentives and tools to make your home more efficient and comfortable while saving money on bills.

HOUSEHOLD CLIMATE ACTIONS

TOP 20 TIPS TO START SAVING NOW!

HOME UPGRADES AND INCENTIVES

PGE MARKETPLAGE



#### Stay Up To Date

Tips, tricks and news about low-cost ways you can save energy at home. ENERGY TRUST'S BLOG: RESIDENTIAL NEWS



#### Educate & Inspire

Help others to learn how to live more sustainably. Kids can help too! REMAKE LEARNING DAYS

OREGON STEM



#### **Get Involved**

Find opportunities to volunteer, take action, and join local organizations in building a bright future for Milwaukie.

COMMUNITY ENERGY PROJECT

FRIENDS OF TREES

JOHNSON CREEK WATERSHED COUNCIL

NORTH CLACKAMAS WATERSHEDS COUNCIL







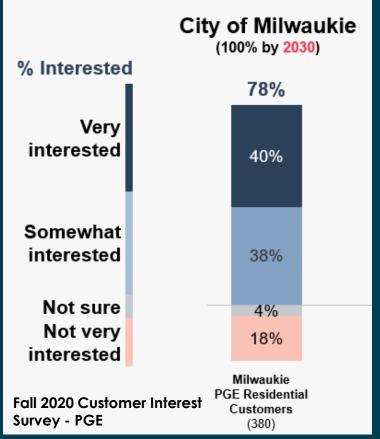




# Community Green Tariff Update

- Moving ahead with tariff development
  - Working group with Beaverton and PGE
- Upcoming topics:
  - Pricing approach
  - Resource mix and sizing
  - Opt-out provisions
  - Low-income protections
  - HB 2021 and future RPS increase
  - Credits and program end of life

## Community Interest in PGE Community-Wide Clean Energy Concept?



# On-Pole EV Charging

- PGE Pilot Project
- Level 2 Charger installation on utility poles
- Goal is to increase accessibility of charging infrastructure
- Fall-Winter outreach and construction



PGE on-pole charging in SE Portland

# Tree Code and Urban Forest Update

- Measure 56 public notice
- Revision of residential tree code
  - Invasive species
  - Process
  - Engage.milwaukieoregon.gov
- Outreach effort underway
  - Comprehensive plan implementation
  - Urban forest programming
- ARBOR DAY! 11/6 from 8:30-12pm
- Seasonal tree trimming coming soon



Galen trimming trees at JCB Campus

# Clackamas Climate Action Plan - Update

- First meeting of cities with county staff 10/12
- County interested in city utilization and goals for county CAP
- Public comment period opening soon

