

Council Work Session – March 14th

Housing | Joint Office of Homeless Services | Planning and Sustainability Development Services | Office of Equity and Human Rights

The following questions were asked during the bureau's budget work session on March 14th, 2019. Responses are included in the attached packet.

Housing

- 1. Please provide a more detailed breakdown on equity in projects and contracting. (Commissioner Hardesty)**

Please see attached data: [1](#), [2](#), [3](#)

- 2. Please provide a breakdown across programs of who is using services, similar to what was provided for affordable housing. (Paluso)**

Please see attached data from the State of Housing report: [1](#), [2](#), [3](#)

- 3. Please provide the numbers specific to East Portland for the targets to actuals. (Frieda)**

There are no specific targets for East Portland in the Strategic Advisory Group Framework. However, PHB will include a preference for East Portland locations in the upcoming bond solicitation in April. To date, the 105 East Burnside acquisition (\$14.5 million) is an East Portland Bond expenditure.

Joint Office of Homeless Services

- 1. Please provide a graphic similar to that provided for the other racial groups on the Equity slide for the white population. (Otero-Serrano)**
- 2. Please provide more information regarding who the numbers represent in the System Performance slide (p. 6). (Paluso)**

The [attached document](#) responds to each of these questions. Additionally, JOHS reports quarterly to A Home for Everyone on system level outcomes including data by race and ethnicity. The latest report is the [Quarterly Reporting data for 2019](#). All JOHS/A Home for Everyone reports can be found at <http://ahomeforeveryone.net/outcome-reports>.

Planning and Sustainability

- 1. 23% of business compost; have you been talking to schools about composting? Please provide information regarding programming in schools and whether or not schools fall into mandatory requirements. (Frieda)**

While composting won't be required at primary and secondary schools until 2023, sustainability staff at numerous schools have already met several times with the City's Sustainability at Work staff to talk about how they can best prepare for and roll out a successful food scraps composting program. We

will continue to work together to assist them with the resources and staff training that they need as the requirement comes into effect.

City of Portland staff have met with several people at Portland Public Schools’ district office who are beginning to explore how the district will support each school in setting up composting. To be clear, we have not met with individual schools within the PPS district around composting. Because it’s a district-wide requirement, we would only work with individual schools if the District office asked for our assistance at that level. Because the requirement to compost doesn’t apply until 2023, the PPS district office is in the earliest stage of discussing the regulation and various steps involved with a successful rollout across all schools. We anticipate ongoing discussions with district staff over the coming year or two.

Later this year, we will also reach out to district offices for David Douglas Schools to discuss the requirements and offer support. As for Centennial and Reynolds School Districts, they have schools within multiple jurisdictions in East County -- Portland, Gresham, Fairview and others. To assist these school districts, we will coordinate with all jurisdictions involved to ensure that the schools throughout their districts receive similar support.

Development Services

1. How many residential inspections were for new builds vs. additions and remodels? Please provide a 3yr lookback. (Commissioner Eudaly)

Note: BDS interpreted the question as being related to the number of rental and ASTR inspections.

The following table shows the number of accessory short term rental inspections as well as housing inspections for the past three fiscal years. We do not have the ability to break out the number of housing inspections which were rentals, so that statistic includes both rental and owner-occupied buildings.

Fiscal Year	Number of Accessory Short Term Rental Inspections	Number of Housing/Derelict Buildings Inspections
FY 2015-16	344	3,216
FY 2016-17	818	5,873
FY 2017-18	733	4,459

To address the new build vs remodel portion of this question, BDS does not track inspections in this manner. We do break out new building permits from other building permits, including additions and remodels. The following table provides the number of issued building permits for the last three fiscal years, broken out by new permits and all other.

Fiscal Year	Issued New Residential Building Permits	Other Issued Residential Building Permits (includes additions and remodels)	Total Issued Residential Building Permits
FY 2015-16	1,297	5,289	6,586
FY 2016-17	1,291	5,529	6,820
FY 2017-18	1,359	5,473	6,832

2. Please provide a before/after comparison of permitting volume since the instatement of increased fees in both environmental fee increases on existing homes, as well as historic home permit fees. (Commissioner Fritz)

These fee increases are implemented April 1, 2019, so comparing volume of demand for these services before/after is not available. Current fee levels for the Historic Resource and Environmental Review are below cost recovery and the changes implemented April 1 are meant to bring these reviews to cost recovery. Should the fees for these services remain at current levels prior to the April 1 change, General Fund support would be necessary for Land Use Services to cover costs of providing services. The additional ongoing General Fund support would be \$87,000 for the Historic Resource Review and \$1,150 for the Environmental Review.

3. The Development Services inspectors succession planning and hiring practices were discussed during the work session. [This document](#) provides a more comprehensive response on the matter.

Equity and Human Rights

1. Please provide an equity breakdown of your staff. (Commissioner Hardesty)

Office of Equity and Human Rights Demographics

Race:

Asian	7.7%	1 employee
Black	23.1%	3 employees
Latinx	23.1%	3 employees
Multiracial	15.4%	2 employees
White	30.8%	4 employees

Gender:

Female	69.23%	9 employees
Male	30.77%	4 employees

Disability:

15.4% 2 employees

Age groups:

20-29	7.69%
30-39	30.77%
40-49	38.46%
50-59	15.38%
60-69	7.69%

Veteran:

7.7% 1 employee