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Chloe Eudaly Commissioner **Chris Warner** Interim Director

Bureau and Budget Advisory Committee

Thursday, January 17, 2019

4:00 – 6:00 pm

Congress Building, 5th Floor, Conference Room 513

Committee Members Present: Douglas Armstrong, Lauren Bates, Ruthanne Bennett, Samuel Gollah, Sage Geiselman, Ryan Hashagen, Sarah Iannarone, Thomas Karwaki, Arlene Kimura, Molly Baer-Kramer, Tony Lamb, Joanne Landry, Rob Martineau, Josh Linden, Femi Oluwafemi, Elaine O’Keefe, Farrell Richartz, Momoko Saunders, Pia Welch

Committee Members Absent: Shani Harris-Bagwell, Maria Hernandez, Meesa Long, Kevin Vandemore

City Staff Present: Tosin Abiodun, Kea Cannon, Ken Kinoshita, Irene Marion, Elliot Levin, Runkel Marshal, Jeremy Patton, Noah Siegel, Tiffany Swift, Chris Warner

City Leaders Present: Commissioner Chloe Eudaly

Welcome/Community Check-Ins and Announcements: Momoko Saunders and Tony Lamb

- Momoko Saunders welcomed committee members and reviewed the meeting agenda.
- Chris Warner, Interim Director for the Portland Bureau of Transportation (PBOT), shared leadership updates. PBOT released its e-scooter report this week. The report received favorable review from the New York Times. In March, PBOT will implement a second e-scooter pilot program, which will last for a year. PBOT is partnering with Nike to celebrate Black History Month and develop Bike Town initiatives. In February, PBOT will re-open the 122nd Avenue Bridge near Leach Botanical Gardens and launch the Halsey-Weidler Streetscape project.
- Tony Lamb shared the PBOT Vision Zero report. BBAC members observed a minute of silence to honor the memory of community members who died in traffic related crashes from December 20, 2018 through January 17, 2019.
- Momoko Saunders introduced Femi Oluwafemi, new BBAC member, to committee members.

Meet Commissioner Chloe Eudaly: Commissioner Chloe Eudaly and Runkel Marshal

- Commissioner Eudaly shared a brief history of the Leach Botanical Garden and thanked committee members for their service.



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- The Commissioner expressed her commitment to putting people and planning before profit. During her tenure, she will focus on key transportation issues including accessibility, disability, public involvement, equity, safety and Vision Zero. Other areas of interest include active transportation infrastructure, city planning, environmental justice, housing and economic development.
- Late last year, PBOT passed the Central City in Motion plan. Last week, PBOT passed the Area Parking Permit Surcharge Allocation guidelines.
- Commissioner Eudaly recently completed the Traffic and Transportation Class at the Portland State University.
- The City has identified multiple transportation related bills as top legislative priorities. Commissioner Eudaly in coordination with PBOT leadership is working on the development of anti-displacement measures in relation to major transit projects and the Enhanced Transit Corridors Implementation Plan.
- Commissioner Eudaly mentioned that she is an enthusiastic supporter of concepts such as 20-Minute Neighborhoods and Designing Streets for People. She assured BBAC members that her office will continue to make transportation investments in East Portland and encourage inter-bureau collaboration.
- The East Portland Action Plan (EPAP) will soon move from the Office of Community and Civic Life to Commissioner Eudaly's Office.
- Commissioner Chloe Eudaly is looking forward to re-negotiating TNC regulations and ensuring that community members profit from collaboration between PBOT and firms in the private sector.
- The City will soon begin a national search for a new Director to lead PBOT.

Questions and Comments

- In some parts of Portland, especially in East Portland, traffic signals are not universal. What is the timeframe for maintaining faulty and inconsistent signals?
 - PBOT will provide additional information.
- Will the Commissioner's Office support the approved 25 million dollars cut for Community Benefit Agreements (CBA) versus the 10 million dollars for community engagement and investment plan?
 - The Commissioner has participated in discussions about Community Benefit Agreements. The City can do a lot better.
- Ryan Hashagen thanked Commissioner Eudaly for supporting Better Naito. He encouraged PBOT leadership to implement more pilot projects in the city's core.
 - Transportation projects often take longer but PBOT is committed to delivering projects in Portland's Central City.
- Will the Commissioner and PBOT make Smart technologies and infrastructure investments to improve the City's transportation system?
 - Absolutely.

City Budget Process: Kea Cannon

- The Public Involvement Advisory Committee (PIAC) housed within the Office of Community and Civic (Office of Civic Life) is responsible for creating requirements and rules for City advisory bodies and commissions. CBO is working with the Office of Civic Life to clarify rules and roles for advisory bodies and commissions across the City.
- This year, City Council introduced changes to the budget process. The City is moving away from decision packages to program offers.
- PBOT has re-structured its functional areas into programs. The long-term expectation is that PBOT will share its program offers with BBAC members and BBAC members will provide feedback on PBOT's budget.
- The transition to a new budget process and format will improve overtime. CBO is implementing a new budget software this year. The Mayor is aware that it will take two to three years to fully implement changes to the budget process.

Questions and Comments

- BBAC members requested for year-round engagement and an opportunity to write another budget letter when they have had time to process budget information.
 - CBO only accepts letter from BACs when bureaus submit their requested budget. However, the community can engage with City Council throughout the budget development process. The City will facilitate budget work sessions in March and public forums in April. CBO anticipates that the Office of Civic Life will provide stronger guidance to encourage active community engagement during the budget development process.
- Does the City provide balanced sheet or any other information about the budget?
 - Yes, City budget information is available online at <https://www.portlandoregon.gov/cbo/60863>
 - The focus for year one of the new budget process is not necessarily about the dollar figures but about significant changes to program areas and development of program offers.
 - The City's performance dashboard is accessible online at <https://www.portlandoregon.gov/cbo/article/677023>
- Are other Bureau Advisory Committees planning to submit their letter later during the year?
 - None that CBO is aware of.

PBOT Budget Update: Jeremy Patton

- Jeremy Patton shared PBOT program offers document with BBAC members. The document covers information about PBOT seven key programs and twenty-three sub-program areas.
- PBOT is working on the development of its three-year strategic plan and committed to tying performance measures to the strategic plan.
- PBOT's Budget document will include information about performance measures and their source data.
- BBAC members previewed the General Fund Decision Package Directives. The packages include Pay Equity study, Vision Zero, Citywide Multi-Bureau Awareness Campaign, Adaptive Biketown, Best Naito project, Transit Priority Network Strategy, Derelict RV Enforcement, Street Cleaning, Portland Transportation Resiliency Plan and South Portland Addressing Project.

Questions and Comments

- What is PBOT measuring against?
 - Output measures.
- PBOT should actively engage community members during the budget development process. This will help improve PBOT's performance and relationship with the public.
 - The City introduced changes to the budget process with the goal of ensuring that bureaus engage actively with community members and measure budgetary impacts.
- Will PBOT, at some point, provide information about the additional House Bill funds?
 - PBOT will provide the requested information.
- PBOT program offers should include information about geographic investments. Community members are highly interested in this information. It makes sense to include this important information in the budget.
- Program offers should include numbers and figures.
- Last year, there were some projects that were not funded. What is the status of those projects?
 - Unfunded projects will stay on the CIP list.

- Is PBOT's marketing and communication campaigns for Vision Zero effective? It seems that there has been no change in the number of fatalities.
 - Through the campaigns, PBOT learned about the need for more infrastructure improvements and collected some good data points from community members.
- Is PBOT seeking ways to generate revenue?
 - Yes, PBOT is constantly looking for ways to generate additional revenue to support the transportation system.
- Is there a list of job classifications impacted by the pay equity study?
 - 78 non-represented PBOT employees received pay increases due to the study.

BBAC Discussion: Momoko Saunders and Tony Lamb

- Momoko Saunders reviewed themes BBAC members identified for the budget letter due on February 1st.
- BBAC members voted and agreed to submit a placeholder letter on February 1. The committee will write a budget letter after they have reviewed PBOT's budget.
- BBAC members will review PBOT program offers and provide feedback via email.

Questions and Comments

- When will CBO share the budget calendar with BBAC members?
 - City Council is yet to approve the budget calendar. However, Council work session on requested budget is scheduled from March 15 through March 29. Public hearings/forums on requested budget will take place from April 3rd through the 17th. The Mayor's budget will be made public on April 30. Council will convene as the Budget Committee and receive the Mayor's proposed budget on May 10. The committee will create an approved budget on May 14th. City Council will formally approve the City and Prosper Portland's budget on May 16. Once the budget is adopted, CBO will make it publicly available.

Next Steps:

- BBAC will meet on the 21st of February at the Congress building, 5th floor, Room 513. Address: 1001 SW 5th Avenue Portland Oregon.