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Fwd: Updates for ERC Meeting Tonight

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Lucy's update.

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Good Morning!

I unfortunately have to bow out of the meeting tonight. Here are a few updates from our office that you can share with the committee:

- After three interviews with leading candidates, the Sustainability Office in partnership with Portland recommended Linnean Solutions be selected as the consultant for the Climate Action and Adaptation Plan. Julie presented the evaluation criteria with which they reviewed the proposals (project approach, previous experience, fees.) South Portland and Portland recommended Linnean Solutions on behalf of a strong team they pulled together of both local and internationally renowned partners. The written proposal was the best presented and provided a clear vision of the development and engagement process. The team's approach to community engagement particularly stood out from others. On the 11/20 City Council meeting, Council members approved this recommendation.
- This past month the Sustainability Office set up tabling displays at the Library, Community Center and City Hall dedicated to recycling and food waste education. Picture-based magnets, yes/no lists, and posters accompanied countertop food waste bins and program brochures. The countertop food waste bins have been very popular. The displays this month have been accompanied by several posts on social media. Together, they are a part of a larger recycling education and outreach campaign that you are all familiar with from previous meetings. We will be sending out a citywide postcard, similar to previous Food Waste and Pesticide Ordinance postcards, with recycling dos/don'ts. The average contamination rate for the City still remains above 25%.
- This month we also made some progress in partnering with Central Maine Power with Portland as they prepare for their Benchmarking Ordinance to go into effect. With guidance from our office and Portland's CMP is working to make building energy use data more accessible to property owners and municipalities covered by these ordinances.
- The Sustainability Office organized a kick-off meeting with key City staff to begin charting a path towards the Council goal of 100% clean energy in municipal operations by 2040. This group, the Municipal Energy Group, will focus on energy supply, energy use in existing buildings and new buildings, transportation, and organizational processes (procurement, CIP funding, etc.)

I will look for Taylor's minutes when they come through. Jessica, please let me know if there is anything we can help with as the community build quickly approaches. Hope you had a wonderful Thanksgiving.

Best,
Lucy

Lucy Brennan