

Key Themes from Mitigation Themed Stakeholder Workshops

Buildings and energy workshop

October 5, 2022

Attendees

- Roger Kainu (Oregon Department of Energy)
- Hannah Cruz (Energy Trust of Oregon)
- Troy Gagliano (PGE)
- Nina Carlson (Northwest Natural)
- Jonathan Taylor (City of Tualatin)
- Jerianne Thompson (City of Tualatin)
- Jacob Buchannan (Center Cal / Bridgeport Village)
- Josh Proudfoot (Good Company)
- Beth Miller (Good Company)
- Maddie Cheek (City of Tualatin)
- Nic Westendorf (City of Tualatin)

Key themes

- The City can play a big role to help with education and amplification of existing programming (e.g. from Northwest Natural, PGE, Energy Trust of Oregon).
- Cost seems to be the biggest barrier for folks to reduce GHG emissions right now.
- Ongoing relationships between city and commercial/industrial actors needed to ensure they feel supported and have education/resources needed to tackle GHG mitigation.
- Policy changes can play a role in speeding this up.
- Different folks have different needs; there can't be a one-size-fits-all approach to solutions or communications. Messaging and targeted different groups' unique needs must be responsive to this.

Urban form and land use workshop

October 6, 2022

Attendees

- Erin Engman (City of Tualatin)
- Mike McCarthy (City of Tualatin)
- Steve Koper (City of Tualatin)
- Steve Kelly (Washington County)
- Jerianne Thompson (City of Tualatin)
- Jonathan Taylor (City of Tualatin)
- Anouksha Gardner (The Street Trust)
- Josh Proudfoot (Good Company)
- Beth Miller (Good Company)

- Maddie Cheek (City of Tualatin)
- Nic Westendorf (City of Tualatin)

Key themes

- There are many chicken and egg situations when it comes to UF&LU – at some point we have to establish the infrastructure to get people to use it, this requires political will and we need to accept that some things might not be utilized right away, but do need to provide options.
- There are a handful of unknowns/information gaps that the City could benefit from better understanding (e.g. Types of trees we should be planting moving forward given changing climate conditions – revised street tree list?)
- Code updates are needed to make some of these best practices materialize in reality.
- There are unmet funding needs preventing these best practices from being adopted currently (E.g. Funding to incentivize blended development / mixed use neighborhoods, transit incentives)
- Equity must be considered and prioritized in changes to code and distribution of funding and other resources.

Transportation - modes and fuel switching workshop

October 18, 2022

Attendees

- Basil Christopher (ODOT)
- Juliae Riva (PGE)
- Troy Gagliano (PGE)
- Tangerine Behere (Ride Connection / ODOT)
- Brett Hoffman (City of Tualatin)
- Mike McCarthy (City of Tualatin)
- Josh Proudfoot (Good Company)
- Beth Miller (Good Company)
- Maddie Cheek (City of Tualatin)
- Nic Westendorf (City of Tualatin)

Key themes

- Amplify, promote, or educate folks on existing programs and options to switch transportation modes and/or fuels.
- Lead by example to reduce or offset transportation-related emissions (e.g. electrify its own fleet and sharing that story with the public (in progress), adopt a city policy that requires carbon offsets to be purchased for any business-related flights)
- Partner with local transit agencies and major employers in Tualatin others to reduce barriers to low-carbon transit.
- Consider creating policies that incentivize public transportation and make use of alternative transportation modes more appealing to residents and workers in Tualatin.
- It's important to lead with solutions/better alternatives instead of taking convenience and ease away from folks with no backup plan. Equity issues embedded in this as well.

Consumption - food and goods workshop

October 19, 2022

Attendees

- KJ Lewis (Republic Services)
- Travis Comfort (Republic Services)
- Elaine Blatt (DEQ)
- Ricardo Palazuelos (Washington County)
- Carolina Martins (Washington County)
- Liz Miller (Campbells)
- Lindsay Marshall (City of Tualatin)
- Josh Proudfoot (Good Company)
- Beth Miller (Good Company)
- Maddie Cheek (City of Tualatin)
- Nic Westendorf (City of Tualatin)

Key themes

- Building trust is key to enable borrow/sharing at a large scale to work – trustworthy programs, groups, and/or venues must be established. Folks also need to trust that they'll be able to borrow what they need when they need it to deter them from buying new.
- A one-sized-fits-all approach will not work. Must tailor messaging to be culturally appropriate, goal-specific, and it must be communicated through the right channels to reach the right folks.
- More venues are needed where folks can borrow, share, buy used/durable items, and/or drop off unwanted items that are still in good shape. "One stop shop" for disposal has worked for other places – reduces barriers to sorting and time spent trying to get items to the right places.
- City can play a huge role in educating the public (E.g. what local repair shop options exist, meal planning and food storage)
- It is important to communicate/educate about these issues as people come into contact with them (e.g. flyers about food waste reduction at grocery stores and restaurants)
- Consistent messaging and collective efforts needed to ensure that folks are receiving the same messages consistently in many places.