



# **Sunrise Movement PDX - Climate & Environmental Justice Subcommittee**

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# What Is Sunrise?



# Our Work

- Youth vs. ODOT
- Zenith
- Forest Defense
- PPS Climate Response Policy

**Environmental Activists to Take Aim at Portland's "Climate Villains" at Friday March**



**Portland School District Passes One of the Strongest Climate Policies in the Nation**

**Priorities  
and  
Recommendations**



## **What are the desired outcomes for climate and environmental justice being embedded in the charter?**

- Creating space for local organizations and residents to have input
- Creating binding goals for the city in the areas of climate and environmental justice
- Putting tools and resources in the hands of Portlanders to influence city policy and decisions
- Ensuring that climate and environmental justice influence every city decision

**Our top priority in terms of climate  
and EJ for the Charter Commission:**

**City climate policy, not climate  
promises: laws with teeth.**

*What this can look like:*

- *Fossil Fuel Phase Out*
- *Climate Test*
- *Tribal Consultation*

# Fossil Fuel Phase Out

- Binding, overarching policy directive
- Directs the City of Portland away from fossil fuels and towards clean energy
- Applies to all city bureaus, future council ordinances, budgets, and decisions

Example: *“It is the policy of the City of Portland to oppose all new fossil fuel infrastructure and manage the decline of existing fossil fuel use in the city, in line with the imperatives of climate science, public health, and seismic resilience. This policy will apply to all city decisions to the maximum extent allowed by law.”*

# Binding Climate Test

- *Evaluate* projects and policies based on the best available climate science
- *Prevent* projects and policies inconsistent with Portland's carbon reduction goals or climate action plan
- Examples of applications: freeway expansions, fossil fuel infrastructure, fossil fuel storage facilities

# Prior and Informed Consent for Tribal Nations

- Engage tribal nations to gauge interest in charter amendments that promote meaningful government-to-government communication and coordination between City of Portland and tribal governments before the city takes actions or implements decisions that may affect tribes or tribal interests.
- Example: [Tribal Consultation in the City of Boulder](#)

**Questions?**

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