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Sustainability and Climate Commission

Regular meeting – Thursday, June 18, 2026

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6:10 p.m. Commission updates

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- Meeting is being recorded via Zoom and will be posted online for transparency
- Commissioners ensure Zoom name reflects title (please shorten to Comm. or Alt.)
- Commissioners must raise their hand via Zoom to speak; facilitator will call on you
- State your name every time you speak
- Public comment: individuals will be called on by facilitator
- All materials can be found on this meeting's event page at www.Portland.gov/SCC/events
- Tech help: ask Wing Grabowski

Working agreements

1. **Speak with clarity and focus.** Share your thoughts truthfully and succinctly, staying on topic and respecting time limits and agenda allocations.
2. **W.A.I.T.** Use self-awareness by asking yourself "**W**hy **A**m **I T**alking?" Remember that everyone has the right to share their ideas, but not everyone always has the opportunity. Take space and make space appropriately.
3. **Assume good intentions but attend to impact.** We are all good people looking to collaborate for better outcomes. Not all good intentions lead to good outcomes: If someone is hurt, focus on listening and understanding the impact, not on the intent.
4. **Be willing to make mistakes and be forgiving of those who do.** Forgiveness fosters safety so we can all take risks. We make mistakes, even with good intentions. By making mistakes, we ultimately learn how to do things better.
5. **Allow for, and appreciate, disagreement of opinions, ideas, methods, respectfully.** Don't interrupt someone just because you disagree with them. Listen to understand others' thoughts and to find common ground. Critique ideas, not people.
6. **Build on other peoples' ideas.** Ask questions to best understand someone. Reinforce areas of agreement.
7. **We value participation, both in person and virtual.** Meeting facilitator(s) and meeting attendees proactively monitors online messages via chat for those that are joining in virtually on Zoom to ensure that all voices are represented.

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Commission updates

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- Leadership Team Meetings
- Policy and Implementation Committee

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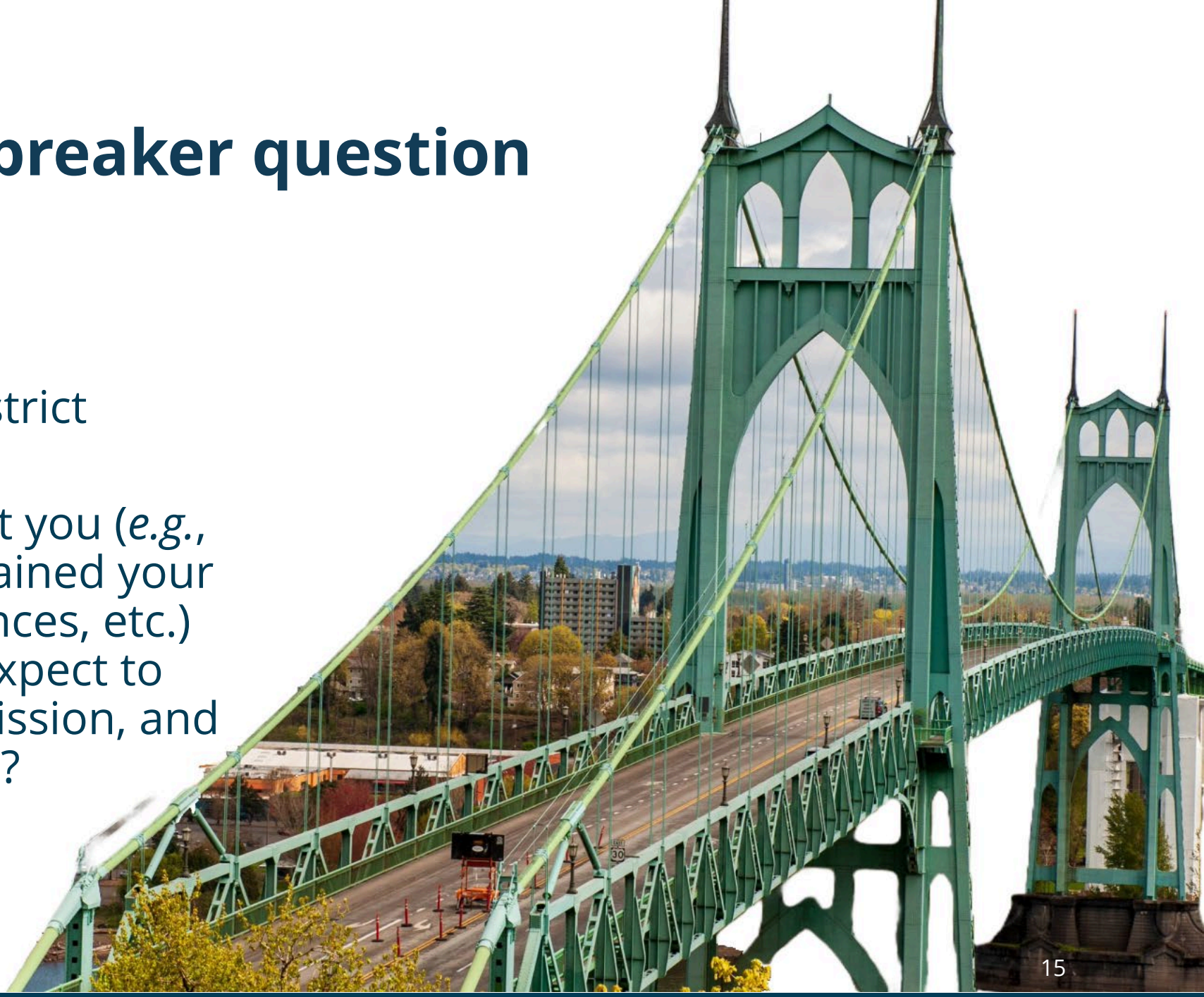
Icebreaker question

In one minute:

Names, pronouns, & district

What's something about you (*e.g.*, background, how you gained your expertise, lived experiences, etc.) that people might not expect to find on a climate commission, and why does it matter here?



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LEADING PORTLAND'S RESPONSE TO CLIMATE CHANGE

Climate Action Plan (CAP) development workplan

Sustainability and Climate Commission

Vivian Satterfield

Elaine Vizka Livingstone

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02 Sustainability and Climate Commission

03 Staff participation

05 Development process

06 Timeline and next steps

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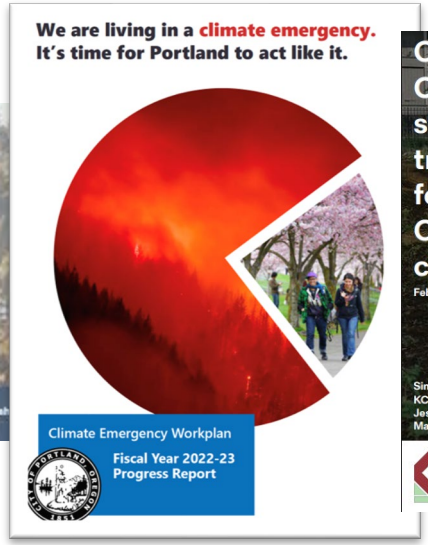
Background

2025

- Climate Emergency Workplan final progress report released
- City Council created Sustainability and Climate Commission (Commission) to create and evaluate City's Climate Action Plan

2026

- City Auditor's Office released climate justice audit report and City Administrator responded with high-level implementation plan



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Members

June 2029 terms

Damon Motz-Storey D1

Jessica Zahn D1

José Gamero-Georgeson D1

Maya Puggarana D2

Vivek Shandas D2

Charity Fain D3

Nora Apter D3

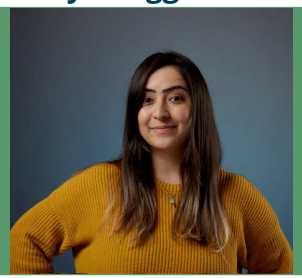
Dana Visse D4

June 2027 terms

Alina Pawchareune D2

Galen Whalen D2

Greg Retsinas D2


Carla Chen D3

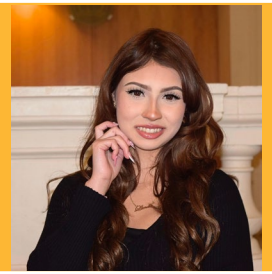
Dan Trifone D3

Angus Duncan D4

Suze Wehr D4

Stephanie Kaza D3

Youth - June 2027 terms


Celeste Ruiz D1

Christian Flores D1

Alma Valls D4, student in D3

Shubh Narayan D4

Alternates

Garrett Wong D2

Giovanni Vaz Student in D2

Ben Hodgson D3

Skai Dancey Employed in D4

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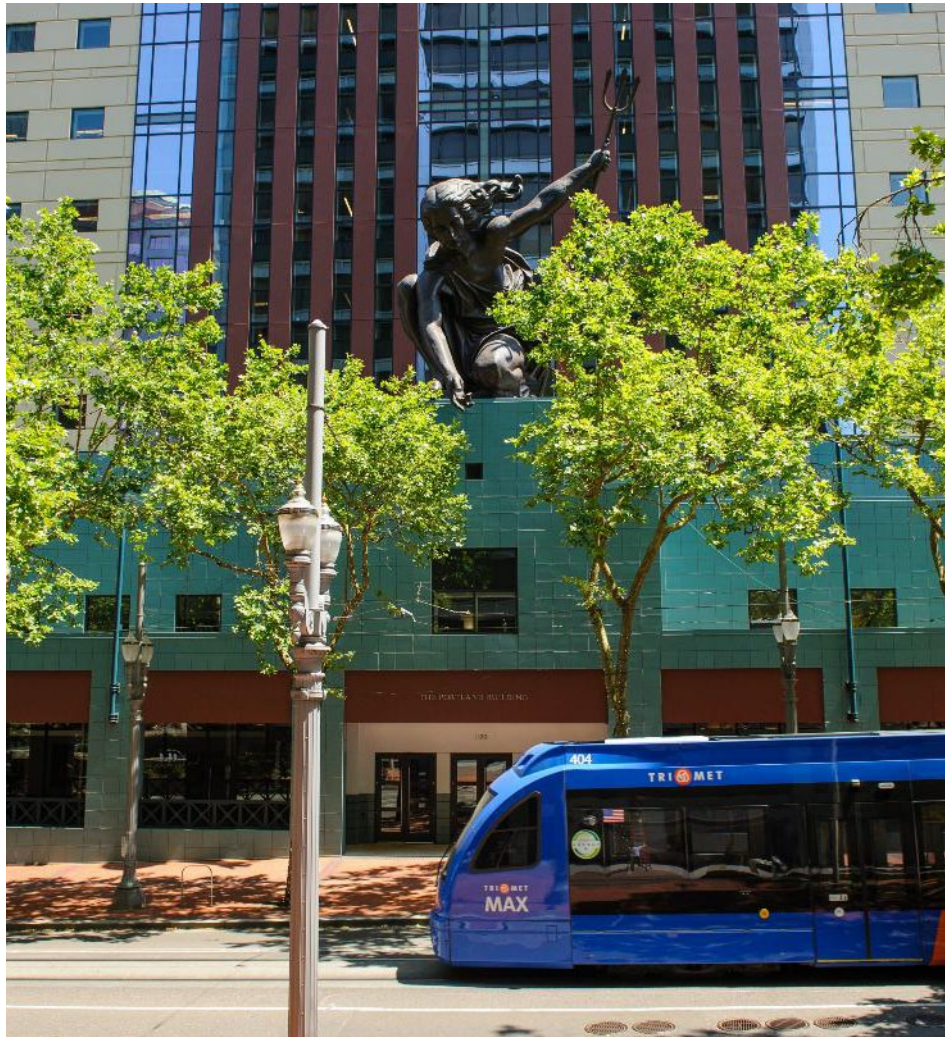
Commission focus areas

- Adaptation and resiliency
- Buildings and homes
- Energy and renewables
- Environmental justice and equity
- Green workforce and labor
- Nature-based solutions
- Sustainable materials management
- Urban form and transportation
- Youth empowerment



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Next CAP will integrate

- C40 Climate Action Planning Framework
- C40 Climate Budgeting Framework*
- Climate Change Risk Assessment (CCRA)*
- Sustainability and Climate Commission (Commission) recommendations and community input*
- Prioritization framework – climate impacts, equity and justice, feasibility and implementation, and co-benefits and tradeoffs*
- Adaptation and mitigation goals and framework*
- Sustainability and Climate Commission frameworks
- Bureau-level implementation plans with clear prioritization, coordination, and accountability*
- Community engagement history*
- Climate Practitioner Group workshops and expertise
- Other climate work community has been involved in* (e.g., Multnomah County Climate Justice Plan)

**City Auditor's Climate Justice Audit recommendations*

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Staff participation

Led by Chief Sustainability Officer
With Mayor, City Administrator, all DCAs, officers, bureau directors, and Council

20 Commissioners - Community, public-facing vetting, steering, and engagement

Technical team that Includes staff expertise:

- Climate Change Risk Assessment
- Communications
- Emissions inventory
- Engagement
- Equity
- Financial and economic analyst
- PCEF liaison
- Performance metrics

Council adopts CAP

Staff subject matter experts from across service areas coordinate Commission workgroup sessions by focus area

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Frameworks

Existing frameworks

- C40 climate action planning
- C40 climate budgeting*

Staff core team created frameworks

- Prioritization framework
    - climate impacts
    - feasibility
    - co-benefits and tradeoffs
- Adaptation and mitigation

Commission created frameworks – 3 focus areas

- Environmental justice and equity
- Green workforce and labor
- Youth empowerment

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Draft timeline

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Development process

Core team provides analyses, processes, and frameworks. CAPtains bring work to Commission via monthly working group sessions.

Phase 1 – Staff core team and CAPtains

- Community engagement approach
- Scope climate budgeting
- Scope existing frameworks
- Draft frameworks and analyses
- Focus area descriptions and foundation

Phase 2 - workgroup sessions

- Background
- Barriers and gaps
- Community engagement
- Draft actions
- Rounds of prioritization
- Refinement

9 focus areas

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12 Commission workgroup sessions

October 2026 – October 2027: Staff CAPtains leading sessions with Commission members – 9 focus areas

*Framework sessions 3 focus areas - environmental justice and equity, green workforce and labor, and youth empowerment

Session 1	Session 2	Session 3	Session 4	Session 5	Session 6
Background and context	**Barrier, gaps, and challenges**	**Community engagement history**	**Draft actions** or ***Develop framework**	**Prioritization 1: Climate impacts** or ***Finalize framework criteria**	***Prioritization 2: 3 focus area frameworks**

Session 7	Session 8	Session 9	Session 10	Session 11	Session 12
Community engagement: toolkit	**Community engagement: additional strategies**	**Prioritization 3: Feasibility** or ***Draft action analyses**	**Prioritization 4: Co-benefits and tradeoffs** or ***Feedback to other focus areas**	**Implementation tool**	**Public comment draft**

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Next steps

Kickoff

May – July 2026

Staff convene - core team and CAPtains

Workplan briefing and feedback from Commission

Staff research and analyses

August – September 2026

Staff prepare for workgroup sessions

Climate Change Risk Assessment briefing and feedback from Commission

Workgroup sessions begin

October – December 2026

Workgroup sessions with Commission, led by CAPtains, supported by core team

Initial prioritization

January – March 2027

Draft actions with Commission

Frameworks developed by core team and Commission

Community engagement

April 2027 – on

Toolkits and other strategies used by the Commission

Thank you

Questions and Discussion

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Commission leadership

- Two Co-Chairs; share/divide responsibilities and tasks
  - Represent the full Commission in an official capacity
  - Attend monthly Leadership Team meetings with the Chief Sustainability Officer and Commission staff
  - Provide strategic support, help set priorities, and assist in agenda setting
  - Facilitate Commission meetings and oversee voting processes
- Duration
  - Non-youth Co-Chair: one year
  - Youth Co-Chair: six months (or non-youth if no youth wants to Co-Chair)

Co-Chair nominations and voting

- Commissioners can nominate themselves or another Commissioner
- Nominees can give short statement (~1 minute)
- Time for any discussion and questions
- Ranked choice voting via RankedVote links sent to Commissioners via Zoom chat

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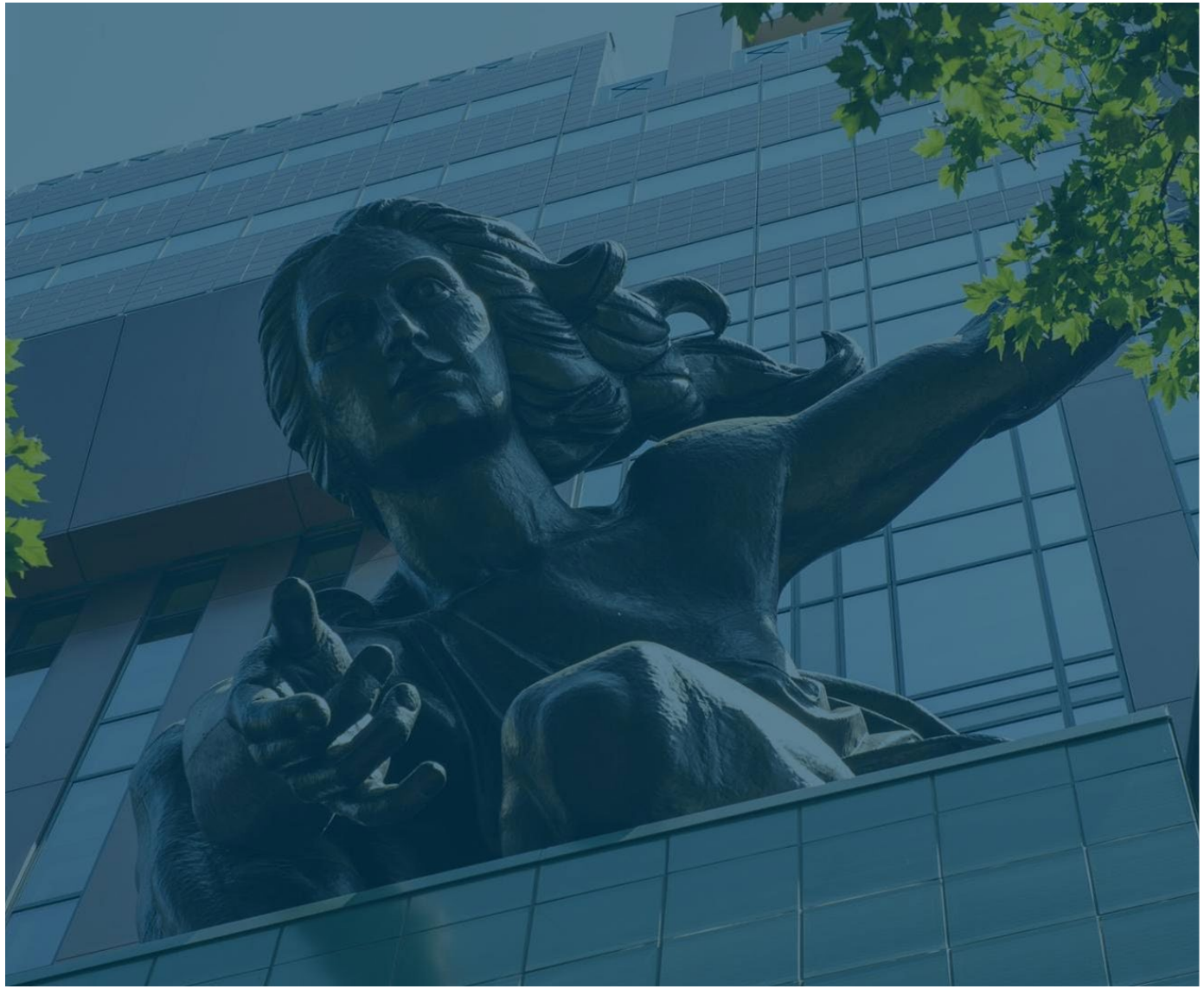
Next steps & reminders

Commissioners – fill out the feedback form in about this meeting, include any feedback or questions about the CAP workplan

Next regular meeting **Thursday, July 16, 6-8 p.m.**

September regular meeting – rescheduled to Thursday, September 23; virtual only; Climate Change Risk Assessment briefing



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