

Pre-Submitted CIC FY24 Topic Ideas

“Assessing County Wide Engagement”

Submitted by: CIC Member

Share your proposed topic on community involvement and engagement in the County in a sentence or phrase:

I really like the idea of assessing/taking stock of what departments need regarding community engagement, what "wins" they have experienced and tips they may have for successful engagement, and how departments are doing with the recommendations from the CIC in the past 3-5 years.

How does the proposed topic fit within the CIC's purpose, responsibility and role as Multnomah County's advisory body on community engagement and involvement?

It directly relates and is somewhat of an audit/assessment of previous activities and needs that can be identified related to those activities.

Does the proposed topic overlap with the scope of work of another Multnomah County office or advisory body? If so, is this within the scope of the CIC as the advisory body on community involvement as well?

I am new to this committee so I am unsure of overlap, but I believe it to be the scope of the CIC.

What other County Departments and other jurisdictions or partners are involved in the proposed topic?

Potentially all of the departments. No other jurisdictions that I know of.

To your knowledge, has the CIC worked on the proposed topic in the recent past?

I have heard in meetings that this level of review/assessment may be valuable.

Is there any background information on community engagement at the County and the proposed topic that you believe the CIC should be aware of before starting work on this subject?

unsure

Is there anything else you would like to share with the CIC members about this potential topic?

Based on what I know (very little!) about the CIC and its role for the County, I think an assessment and shoring up of previous recommendations would be more effective than making new ones that may or may not be effective.

“Budgeting Process Community Involvement Review”

Submitted by: County Staff - OCI, Chair's Office

Share your proposed topic on community involvement and engagement in the County in a sentence or phrase:

Investigate and provide best practices to the County on how to improve community engagement in the County's Budgeting process, including the Community Budget Advisory Committees.

How does the proposed topic fit within the CIC's purpose, responsibility and role as Multnomah County's advisory body on community engagement and involvement?

Improving community engagement and input on the Budget.

Does the proposed topic overlap with the scope of work of another Multnomah County office or advisory body? If so, is this within the scope of the CIC as the advisory body on community involvement as well?

The CBACs are involved. The Chair and Commissioners also have budgeting events, as well as departments

What other County Departments and other jurisdictions or partners are involved in the proposed topic?

All

To your knowledge, has the CIC worked on the proposed topic in the recent past?

No

Is there any background information on community engagement at the County and the proposed topic that you believe the CIC should be aware of before starting work on this subject?

The Chair's office and OCI are also planning to work on this topic.

"Bylaw Process Review"

Submitted by: OCI Staff based on Bylaws, deeper review based on FY23 Membership Subcommittee Recommendation

Share your proposed topic on community involvement and engagement in the County in a sentence or phrase:

CIC Bylaws Article 8D: "The Bylaws will be reviewed every 2 years, with an ad hoc subcommittee to be formed by the CIC if needed."

The CIC can do a deeper review of Bylaws and Policies and Procedures if desired. Could be with or instead of a larger membership committee due to the membership process in Policies and Procedures.

How does the proposed topic fit within the CIC's purpose, responsibility and role as Multnomah County's advisory body on community engagement and involvement?

Could serve as a model for other advisory committees. Recommend best practices.

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The Office of Diversity and Equity, possibly Legal.

What other County Departments and other jurisdictions or partners are involved in the proposed topic?

The Office of Diversity and Equity, possibly Legal, All other advisory groups.

To your knowledge, has the CIC worked on the proposed topic in the recent past?

Not exactly, but it is overdue to review.

Is there any background information on community engagement at the County and the proposed topic that you believe the CIC should be aware of before starting work on this subject?

Understanding Bylaws requirements at the County.

“Climate and Community Engagement”

Submitted by: CIC Member

Share your proposed topic on community involvement and engagement in the County in a sentence or phrase:

Community involvement around climate resilience, mitigation, and adaptation.

Below is an example of the type of climate resilience project the CIC could undertake. The Critical Energy Infrastructure (CEI) is a 6-mile stretch of fuel storage located in NW Portland near the airport. In its current condition, it poses serious health, safety, cultural, social justice, economic and environmental risks to all of Multnomah County, every Portland neighborhood, and the entire Pacific Northwest region.

How does the proposed topic fit within the CIC’s purpose, responsibility and role as Multnomah County’s advisory body on community engagement and involvement?

CIC has done work on climate previously.

The CIC could advocate to the County Board; 1)Public education and preparedness, with community involvement, that establishes an ongoing public information and alert system educating residents and businesses about known CEI risks. 2)That County officials, with community involvement, establish air quality monitoring systems, regular and publicly transparent inspections and monitoring of CEI hub facilities and infrastructure. 3)That County officials fully enforce already existing ordinances, regulation, laws in compliance and alignment with Portland’s Climate Action Plan and 2035 Comprehensive Plan. 4) Require CEI landowners and operators carry assurance bonds to cover potential loss and damage due to earthquake, fire, derailment, or other disaster or accident.

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The topic overlaps with the Multnomah County Office of Sustainability climate action work and Climate Justice Plan. It also overlaps with the Advisory Committee on Sustainability & Innovation. I haven’t yet conducted extensive research on what this office and committee is specifically doing, but climate resilience, mitigation, and

adaptation are very wide-ranging topics and more aspects of community involvement and climate at the County level could be more deeply explored within the scope of the CIC.

What other County Departments and other jurisdictions or partners are involved in the proposed topic?

Portland Bureau of Planning and Sustainability. Unsure other than what has been mentioned earlier.

To your knowledge, has the CIC worked on the proposed topic in the recent past?

The CIC did make recommendations on extreme weather events last year, and last year's housing and emergency response recommendations group had climate-related emergencies and displacement in mind as well.

Is there any background information on community engagement at the County and the proposed topic that you believe the CIC should be aware of before starting work on this subject?

Currently this is an active campaign co-sponsored by a coalition of more than 30 Community and Neighborhood organizations. Just making sure new area is covered other than the programs, offices, and advisory committees mentioned above.

Is there anything else you would like to share with the CIC members about this potential topic?

The City of Portland's Bureau of Planning and Sustainability is very active in this topic, and critical state-wide legislation just passed pertinent to climate hubs, etc, so deepening the linkages between city, state and the County's may be of benefit to all Oregonians.

"Housing, Homelessness, Housing Stock, etc."

Submitted by: CIC Member

Share your proposed topic on community involvement and engagement in the County in a sentence or phrase:

A massive increase in low income housing stock. A realistic answer to institutional and systemic homelessness.

How does the proposed topic fit within the CIC's purpose, responsibility and role as Multnomah County's advisory body on community engagement and involvement?

Low income housing and ending massive homelessness should be a whole of government job.

Does the proposed topic overlap with the scope of work of another Multnomah County office or advisory body? If so, is this within the scope of the CIC as the advisory body on community involvement as well?

We should hear more from people outside of government about how our poorest/unhoused live...

What other County Departments and other jurisdictions or partners are involved in the proposed topic?

The County should work with City and Metro and other governments inside our partially inside the county. This has proven not to happen as much as it could.

To your knowledge, has the CIC worked on the proposed topic in the recent past?
not that I am aware (staff note: see FY 21 Trans Housing and FY23 Housing and Energies for overlapping work)

“Membership Process Best Practices”

Submitted by: CIC Membership Subcommittee FY23, OCI Staff

Share your proposed topic on community involvement and engagement in the County in a sentence or phrase:

Research best practices and make recommendations to the CIC and all advisory bodies on equity and recruitment for advisory bodies - including outreach, application and interview questions, scoring criteria, etc. Focus on language access, low income and BIPOC engagement.

How does the proposed topic fit within the CIC’s purpose, responsibility and role as Multnomah County’s advisory body on community engagement and involvement?

Making advisory group recruitment and membership more diverse and representative of the County.

Does the proposed topic overlap with the scope of work of another Multnomah County office or advisory body? If so, is this within the scope of the CIC as the advisory body on community involvement as well?

The Office of Diversity and Equity, possibly Human Resources. It is within the scope of the CIC to advise on community engagement opportunities and processes.

What other County Departments and other jurisdictions or partners are involved in the proposed topic?

The Office of Diversity and Equity, possibly Human Resources. All departments with advisory groups. Cities, the State, and other Counties may have guidelines we can learn from.

To your knowledge, has the CIC worked on the proposed topic in the recent past?

Not exactly, this could be part of the bylaws review but we wouldn’t have a lot of time. The FY21 BIPOC engagement could have overlaps.

Is there any background information on community engagement at the County and the proposed topic that you believe the CIC should be aware of before starting work on this subject?

Understanding the current recruitment process for the CIC and other advisory bodies at the County.

Is there anything else you would like to share with the CIC members about this potential topic?

[Possible Calendar Outline](#) in drive

“Volunteer Training Improvements”

Submitted by: County Staff - Department of County Management

Share your proposed topic on community involvement and engagement in the County in a sentence or phrase:

DCM, Proposal: Integrate more self professional development training [for volunteers]. So that they are better prepared to apply for Multco positions.

How does the proposed topic fit within the CIC’s purpose, responsibility and role as Multnomah County’s advisory body on community engagement and involvement?

Community to work pathway. Getting people to consider multco as an employer

Does the proposed topic overlap with the scope of work of another Multnomah County office or advisory body? If so, is this within the scope of the CIC as the advisory body on community involvement as well?

I think so. Establish a base line of trainings and resources available for volunteers to participate in if they choose.

What other County Departments and other jurisdictions or partners are involved in the proposed topic?

Staff leading training. DCM, OL

To your knowledge, has the CIC worked on the proposed topic in the recent past?

Don’t know

Is there any background information on community engagement at the County and the proposed topic that you believe the CIC should be aware of before starting work on this subject?

I think something as simple as making this trainings in workday available to folks would be great. And communicating to people hosting volunteers is a value add to have them participate

Is there anything else you would like to share with the CIC members about this potential topic?

Thank you for all your great work and recommendations.