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Thank you Jenna, I thought they may want to be aware.



*Michelle Belkot*

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Hi Councilor Belkot,

I imagine BIA might be interested in applying for appointment to the homebuilding position in the group.

Thanks!

Jenna



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Jenna,  
Is BIA an included group?



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Thanks so much Jenna. I look forward to working with you and your team going forward.

Much appreciated.

Nelson

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Good morning Nelson,

Thank you for your letter. This email confirms receipt of your comment for the hearing on the county's Climate Element Public Participation Plan. I have copied the County Council Clerk to ensure it is added to the hearing record. I will also add you to the project email list for future communication and coorespondence.

Regards,  
Jenna



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November 13, 2023

Clark County Council  
Kathleen Otto  
Dr. Oliver Orijako, PhD  
Jenna Kay

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Dear Chair Bowerman, Vice Chair Medvigy, Councilors Yung, Marshall, Belkot, Ms. Otto, Dr. Orijako & Ms. Kay:

Thank you for providing more time to read the final draft of the Public Participation Plan presented to Council yesterday at the public hearing. Indeed, I had not seen the final version prior to the presentation on during the hearing last Tuesday.

I am writing to submit public testimony with the following suggestions:

1. The County's utility providers (NW Natural and Clark Public Utilities) were absent from the proposed Community Advisory Group. It is our opinion that the utility providers are critical partners that should have executive presence on the Community Advisory Group as appointed by the Council. While we defer to Clark Public Utilities on their own decision making and capacity, NW Natural is prepared to provide a government/community affairs team member to work with this group.
2. We also noted that while homebuilders are included among the targets for the Community Advisory Group, Realtors (i.e. the Clark County Association of Realtors) and commercial builders (in the form of members of Southwest Washington Contractors Association) were not included either. We believe commercial and realtors could play a role in assisting the development of a climate policy through a client perspective, and through real-world financial inputs.
3. We believe there's also a place for labor on the Community Advisory Group. It would be worthwhile to reach out to Columbia Pacific Building Trades to investigate their (or a member partner's) interest in participating.
4. We believe the Interdepartmental and Interagency Coordinating Team is certainly the appropriate place for the *technical advisors* from utility providers in Clark County. NW Natural offers environmental policy staff who are well-suited to provide not just technical expertise, but also deep and thorough knowledge of Washington's Climate Commitment Act that would be valuable in the deliberations of this team. NW Natural is prepared to provide an environmental policy team member to work with this Coordinating Team.
5. We are very supportive of the idea of the Environmental Justice Coalition. Thank you for recognizing these important organizations from our community.

NW Natural stands ready to participate with the County in any, and all, ways possible to assist in a fair, balanced, and accurate climate policy recommendation that accounts for emission reduction and a resilient, reliable, and safe energy supply.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Nelson Holmberg  
Community Affairs Manager, Clark County

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