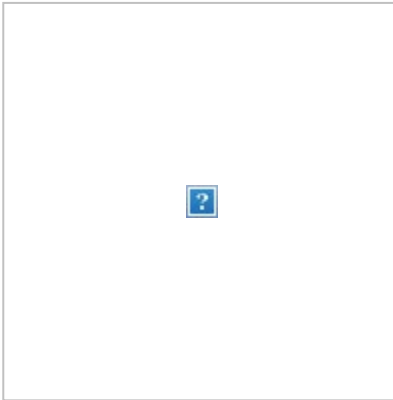


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## **Invest a Minute**

### **Allocation Committee Recap**

Mayor Ted Wheeler, AC Chair      Lisa Pellegrino, Levy Director

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**Welcome to our new AC member Traci Rossi!**



New AC member Traci Rossi at City Hall

The Levy welcomes new city-appointed member Traci Rossi to the Allocation Committee. Traci is excited to contribute to the community through her Levy role.

Traci is executive director of the Center for Women's Leadership. She has a long and successful career working in education, nonprofit organizations and youth development, focusing on service to women and emerging student leaders. We welcome Traci and are delighted to have her on board.

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## **Small Grants Fund Update**

Small Grants Fund Manager Arika Bridgeman-Bunyoli, hired in November

2019, has spent the past few months designing a community-engaged grantmaking process. That includes convening a design team to ensure equity and access issues are addressed throughout the process; and holding community conversations to share information about the process with small orgs and ask for feedback. Staff plans to pursue a two-step process for the Small Grants Fund (Letter of Inquiry first, then full proposal,) and a tentative timeline for the process includes:

- February - March 2020: Community Conversations
- April - July 2020: AC approve design process/Letters of Inquiry submitted
- Aug - Sept 2020: Narrow applicant pool/Invite orgs to second round
- Oct - Dec 2020: Apps due & reviewed/AC approve final slate and City Council approval
- Jan 2021: Small grants start

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## **Revised Levy Revenue Projections**

Staff also discussed City economist Revised Revenue Projections that show \$2.2 million less in Levy tax revenue in 2020-21 -- 2022-23 than previously projected. Moving forward, staff recommended, and AC approved, decreasing allocation to non-competitive grants from \$7.1 million to \$6.1 million and decreasing allocation to the current competitive funding round by \$1.2 million.

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## **Annual Data Report**

In addition, the [2018-19 Data Report](#) was presented showing demographics of children and families served, as well as participation and program outcomes by funding area. Both staff and the mayor thanked grantees for diligently tracking program data that shows the impacts of public investment in children and families.

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## **New Allocation Committee Bylaws**

Also at the meeting, staff reviewed new Bylaws adopted to align with requirement of the city's Office of Community and Civic Life.

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## **Miss Monday's Meeting?**

Watch it on the YouTube below or on cable channel CityNet 30 at 7 p.m., Friday, Feb. 7th and 9 a.m., Sunday, Feb. 9th.



Levy Small Grants Fund Manager Arika Bridgeman-Bunyoli updates the AC on the Small Grants Fund.

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