

Meeting Summary, March 15, 2023

Portland Children's Levy Community Council

Recording of meeting: https://youtu.be/_gsgiKDnfPQ

Attendance: all members attended

PCL's Community Council convened its section meeting on Wednesday, March 15th. The council meeting agenda focused on the following objectives:

1. Continue building relationships among Council members, including developing group values
2. Discuss the PCL Community Council bylaws and develop Council's decision-making process
3. Describe the PCL's community engagement process, how it was conducted in the past, and discuss why it is important to the future potential funding process.

After introductions and team-building activities, Council discussed group values for their work. They highlighted [city values](#) that align with the Council's purpose and identified other values to guide them, for example, responsiveness. They discussed their bylaws and voting process. Draft bylaws, which the Council has not yet ratified, include a modified consensus model for decision-making. Members will vote on decisions before the Council, particularly recommendations to be given to Levy Allocation Committee. Council members voted 7-4 with one abstention, on using written ballot, rather than oral voting, in decision-making. They explored options for how to handle tie votes and will decide that issue at a future meeting.

In two groups of six they reviewed and discussed PCL's past community engagement process. In large group discussion they asked questions of staff to better understand PCL's past community engagement and its implications for the next potential community engagement process.

Future Council meetings in 2023 are scheduled for:

May 24, 10 a.m. – noon

Sept. 20, 6 – 8 p.m.

Nov. 17, 10 a.m. – noon