Agenda Item Title: Growth Concept Refresh and Planning for a New Economy: draft work program overview

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Purpose/Objective

Provide MPAC with an overview of the work program that Metro staff is developing with direction from the Metro Council for refreshing the region's Growth Concept, the region's long-term vision for growth. This work program includes a focus on planning for a new economy.

Action Requested/Outcome

The intended outcome is that MPAC members are aware of the topics that will be highlighted in a refresh of the region's Growth Concept as well as the general work program phases that will lead to MPAC making a recommendation on updates to the Growth Concept. MPAC members may wish to suggest topics to consider in the effort.

What has changed since MPAC last considered this issue/item?

In September 2018, the Metro Council – as part of its direction on its 2018 urban growth management decision– with MPAC's unanimous recommendation adopted Resolution No. 18-4914. Among other things, the resolution directed staff to return to the Metro Council in 2019 with two proposed work programs that: (a) apply the new Economic Value Atlas to address future regional employment trends, and (b) update the 2040 Growth Concept, the region's long-term vision for growth.

Staff has been developing a proposed work program for an update to the Growth Concept that would include planning for a new economy. The Metro Council will have an initial discussion of the draft work program at its May 14, 2019 work session.

At its May 8, 2019 meeting, MPAC heard a presentation by Dr. Ethan Seltzer about the history of regional planning in greater Portland. Dr. Seltzer also touched on what's next for the region's long-range plan, suggesting the need to incorporate equity and climate change, in particular.

What packet material do you plan to include?

Draft Growth Concept Refresh work program overview.