

Regional Investment Strategy – Parks and Nature



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Metro Council work session
May 14, 2019

Agenda for today

Review – where we
are in process

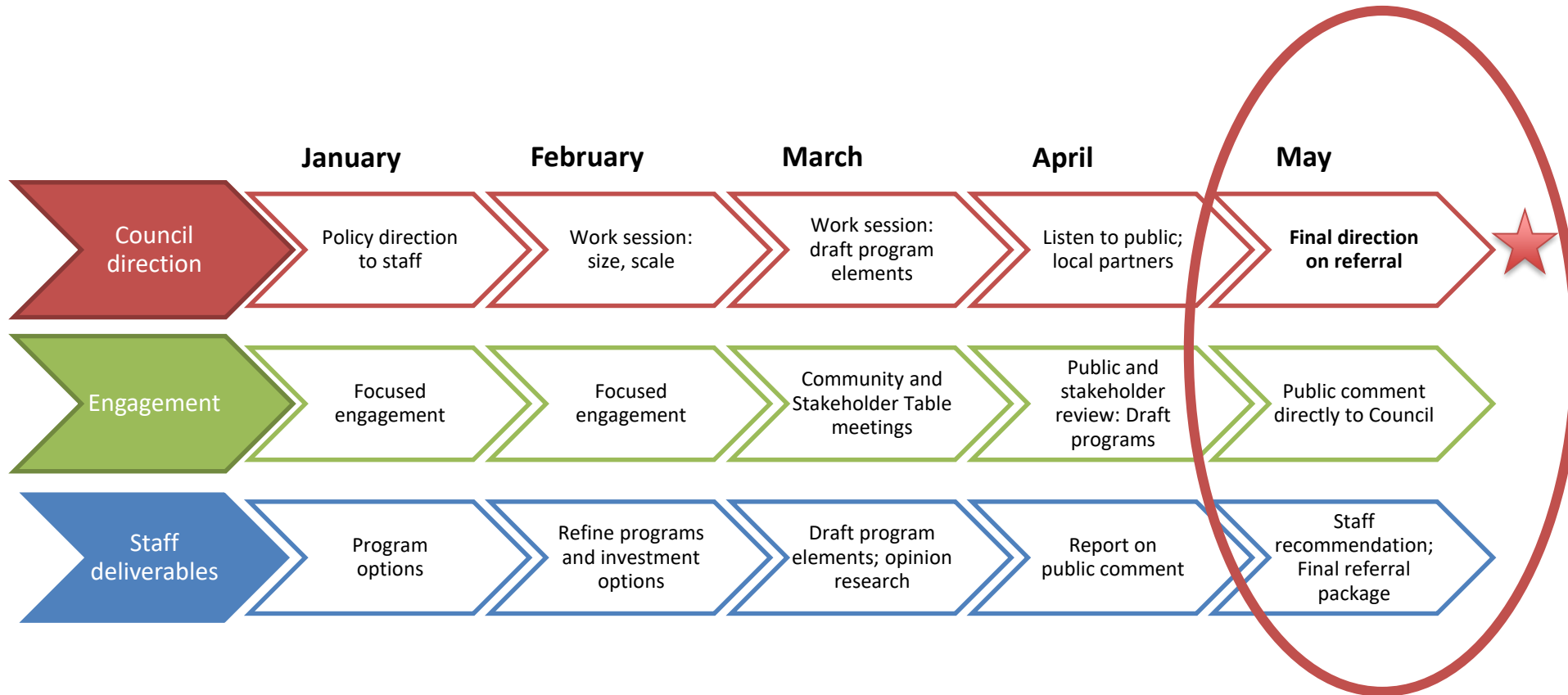
Finalize funding
areas

Legislation details

Timeline, next
steps



Path to referral decision



Protect and connect: Potential 2019 natural areas bond



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Maintain tax rate

Put people first

**Advance
racial equity**

**Prepare for
climate change**



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Key community themes

Take care of what we have

Protect culturally significant land

Increase access to nature in underserved communities

Invest for multiple benefits

Commit to ongoing engagement –
Metro and partners

Address gentrification and
displacement



Spring engagement highlights

Measurement

Accountability

Excited – climate, equity

Questions – trails

Multiple benefits?



\$475 million across six areas:

1. Protect and restore land
2. Take care of Metro parks
3. Nature in Neighborhood capital grants
4. Support local projects
5. Create trails for walking and biking
6. Advance large-scale community visions



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Proposed funding allocations

Program area	Spring ranges	May 7 Option 1	May 7 Option 2	Current staff proposal	Council direction
Protect and restore land (Acquisition & restoration)	\$130-140M	\$150M	\$155M	\$155M	
Support local projects (Local share)	\$65-75M	\$88M	\$92M	\$92M	
Award community grants (Nature in Neighborhoods)	\$25-30M	\$35M	\$40M	\$40M	
Take care of Metro parks (Metro capital projects)	\$100-105M	\$87M	\$88M	\$98M	
Trails for walking and biking	\$40-50M	\$40M	\$45M	\$40M	
Advance large-scale visions	\$40-50M	\$50M	\$55M	\$50M	
TOTAL FUNDING AMOUNT	<i>\$450-475M</i>	<i>\$450M</i>	<i>\$475M</i>	\$475M	\$475M

Draft legislation review

Resolution No. 19-4988

Exhibit A: Overview, Racial equity & Climate resilience criteria

Exhibit B-G: Program area details

Exhibit F: Ballot title

Staff report: Available next week

Program criteria – equity, engagement

Meaningful engagement

Prioritize projects important to
communities of color, etc.

Accountability: tracking and reporting

Strategies re: displacement

Contracting and workforce goals,
outcomes

Program criteria – climate resiliency

Habitat connections

Water quality, quantity, flood protection

Tree canopy strategies

Low-impact development practices/green
infrastructure

Active transportation

Protecting and restoring land



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Supporting local projects – “local share”



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Awarding community grants



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Taking care of Metro parks



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Creating trails for walking, biking



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Advancing large-scale community visions



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Council decision timeline

Final edits/changes
to staff –
May 17

Publish final
legislation -
May 23 (tentative)

Metro Council
potential referral -
June 6





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Questions?