

We are following up on our budget comments letter sent last week. We are requesting that you propose amendments to the budget to advance some if not all of the items we suggested. We have an opportunity to both address equity and the climate crisis through increased support of building and vehicle programs and initiatives to meet the city's 2030 climate goals. We would like to meet this week to discuss these proposals and can provide assistance as needed.

We fully support the spending proposed so far for the Green New Deal. These are as a good start but we must do more if we are to meet our 2030 goals. We are very far behind and need to move quickly. The budget also needs to include ample funds for building upgrades to take advantage of expected federal funding matching. Note **items in bold** are in the [Mayoral Climate Pledge](#) you supported (or signed).

Below is a bulleted lists of the requests (see attached letter for more specifics):

- Increase JumpStart GND funding to at least the original 9% level
- Restore the original 2021 and 2022 capital budget for city facility decarbonization and energy efficiency upgrades
- Increase proposed funding for Electric-Duty Vehicles through Duwamish Valley programming (provide \$2 million toward this effort)
- **Fund GHG building performance program launch by end of 2022**
- **Decarbonize more low-income housing and community centers, adding cooling for heat waves, using SCL, OH, OSE and SPR partnerships (provide \$2 million more towards this effort).**
- **Increase proposed funding for oil home heating conversion program while adding gas conversion.**
- **Assure funding and staff is allocated for an updated detailed implementation plan by end of 2022 to transition most buildings away from fossil fuel heating by 2030**
- **Fund a public education campaign on the benefits of conversion to heat pumps using a OSE and OEM partnership to address both climate change resiliency and mitigation**

This is a critical moment for Seattle to make investments that center the needs of vulnerable communities and at the same time address the climate crisis, and we urge your commitment to these priorities.

Thank you for your work and leadership.