Advice on Equity Analysis Requirement for Master Plans

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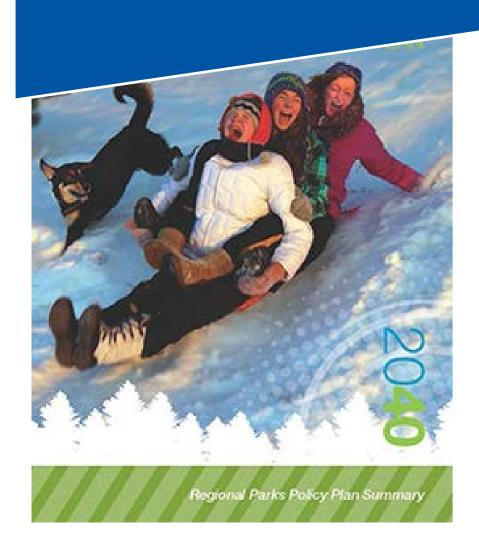
Equity Advisory Committee



What informs park & trail equity work

Policy Documents

- Thrive MSP 2040
- 2040 Regional Parks Plan
- Thrive Lens Analysis



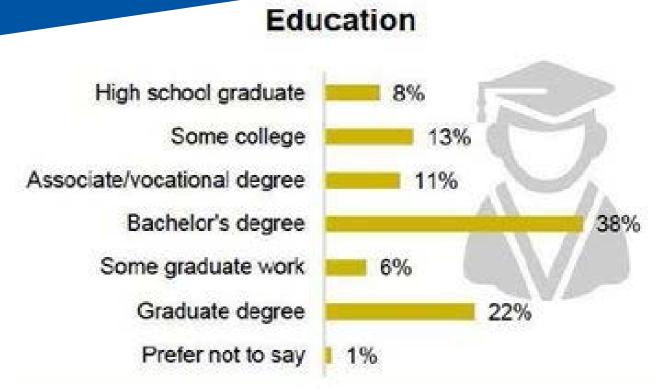
Stakeholder Advice

- Equity Advisory Committee input (see next slide) 2017-2019
- MPOSC, implementing agencies
- Focus groups



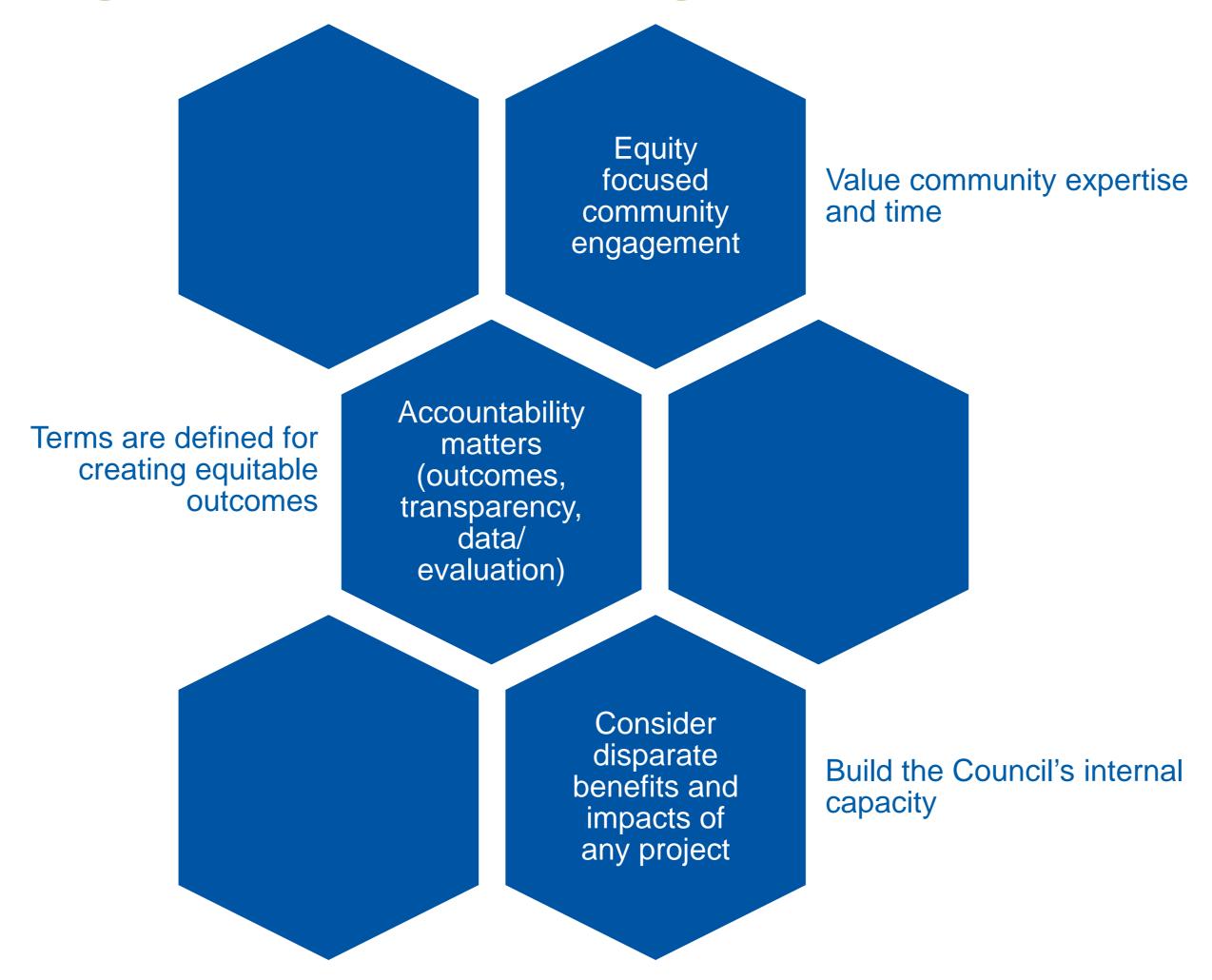
Parks Research

- 2016 Visitor Study
- 2014 Communities of Color Study
- Equity Toolkit Map





Guiding Advice from Equity Advisory Committee Used in Met Council Parks





What's next: Why we're here tonight



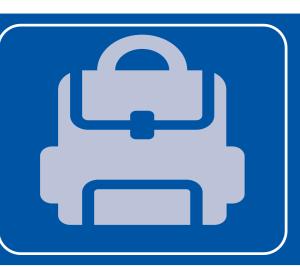
Equity toolkit (implemented)

- A set of questions used for funding requests annually or biannually
- Increase equity in ongoing funding decisions



Equity grant program (implemented, new)

- Applied for by agencies, a targeted funding specifically for equity
- Spur increased attention to equity, expand equity through decision-making process, capital expenditures



Programming and public engagement (implemented)

- Parks Ambassador and Agencies' operations and programming
- Creates a more equitable park/trail system through ongoing efforts to connect people to parks



Equity analysis requirement for master plans (tonight's topic)

- Guidance and expectations for planners to follow for each master plan or update
- Build equity into long-range planning

Park and Trail Master Plan Characteristics

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Step 1: Advising on hopes

1. Hopes •Identify hopes: What would an equitable regional park and trail system look like?



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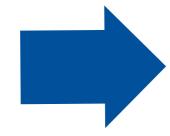
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Agency Master Planning Process

1. Gather Information



Engagement:

 Collaborate and involve the public and partners

Vision Development:

- Analyze existing conditions
- Understand funding and policy parameters

2. Draft Options

Engagement:

 Involve/Consult the public and partners

Vision Development:

 Identify options and develop plan 3. Public Comment and Implementation

Engagement:

PromoteAwareness &Final Input

Vision Development:

 Refine master plan

Step 2: Hopes/themes applied to MP context

2. Apply hopes to MP

 Guiding question: To build an equitable regional park and trail system, what questions should master plans address?



Equity Analysis Requirement Process

Prior work 2014-2019

Collaborate

Shaping July - October /refining

November - December

Approval/ Piloting

February - March

2014-2019

Prior Work **MPOSC** EAC IAs Staff

Compile advice and write draft Return to review draft if invited

Revise EAR

Business item MPOSC CDC, Share with EAC?

EAR in effect

