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Home Energy Score Informational Public Open House August 1

The City is holding an Open House and question-and-answer session about the proposed Home Energy Score Program at 3 p.m. on August 1, in Council Chambers at City Hall, 710 NW Wall Street, Bend.

The hybrid format meeting is also available for those who want to attend virtually at:

https://bendoregon.gov.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_T_X4LFRJQuuW6nxCGRHAyg. In anticipation of a large turnout, virtual attendees should submit questions in advance to clacy@bendoregon.gov.

The City of Bend is considering a Home Energy Score Program to improve transparency around the energy cost of homes and encourage energy-efficient homes. The City is seeking feedback on the proposed program at www.bendoregon.gov/city-projects/community-priorities/sustainability/energy/home-energy-score.

A Home Energy Score is a rating that assesses a home's energy efficiency. Like a miles-per-gallon rating for a vehicle, a home energy score provides information about how efficiently a home uses energy which can inform a buyer's purchase decision. The proposed Home Energy Score Program would require that homes listed for sale in Bend obtain a Home Energy Score prior to listing. The homeowner or their realtor would share the energy scorecard with prospective buyers.



Creating the program is a priority set by the [City's Environment and Climate Committee](#) from the [Bend Community Climate Action Plan](#), a roadmap to achieve the City's climate action goals to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.



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