

City of Minneapolis

Request for Committee Action

RCA #: RCA-2026-01008

TO COMMITTEE(S):

#	Committee Name	Meeting Date	Submission Deadline
1	Climate & Infrastructure Committee	Sep 24, 2026	Sep 10, 2026

FROM: Health

LEAD STAFF: Megan Hoyer, Director Climate
Equity Action

PRESENTED BY: Alice Froehlich, Sustainability
Manager

SUBJECT:

Commercial and multifamily energy disclosure repeal ordinance

ACTION ITEM(S)

#	File Type	Subcategory	Item Description	Public Hearing
1	Ordinance	Code Amendment	Passage of Ordinance amending Title 3, Chapter 47 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances relating to Air Pollution and Environmental Protection: Energy and Air Pollution, repealing Section 47.190 entitled "Commercial and multifamily residential building rating and disclosure."	Yes

WARD / NEIGHBORHOOD /ADDRESS

#	Ward	Neighborhood	Address
1.	All Wards		

BACKGROUND ANALYSIS

The State of Minnesota adopted a benchmarking statute (Minn. Stat. § 216C.331) that allows it to regulate all affected entities anywhere in the state, including Minneapolis. The state statute preempts the City Ordinance Section 47.190 entitled “Commercial and multifamily residential building rating and disclosure. This means that Minneapolis entities are currently being regulated by *both* the state statute-created benchmarking program and City’s Commercial and multifamily energy disclosure ordinance, the city received permission from the state to operate its own program through 2026. Beginning in 2027, the City will no longer collect energy use data directly, those data will be available from the state for the covered buildings located in the City of Minneapolis.

Racial Equity Impact Analysis (REIA)

SECTION 1: BACKGROUND

DOES THIS IMPACT ONE OF THE CITY'S GOAL AREAS?

Policy Goals

- BUILT ENVIRONMENT & TRANSPORTATION
- PUBLIC HEALTH

Operational Goals

- DATA

DESCRIBE THE IMPACT ON SELECTED GOAL AREAS.

This work will still be done by the State of Minnesota, and the City will have access to the data that is collected.

WHO PARTICIPATED IN COMPLETING THIS ANALYSIS?

Climate and Sustainability staff in the Health Department.

SECTION 2: DATA

LIST THE SPECIFIC GEOGRAPHIES THAT WILL BE IMPACTED AND THE RACIAL DEMOGRAPHICS OF CONSTITUENTS IN THOSE AREAS:

Multifamily and commercial building owners and operators of buildings that are 50,000 sqft and larger.

WHAT DOES AVAILABLE DATA TELL YOU ABOUT HOW CONSTITUENTS FROM BIPOC COMMUNITIES CURRENTLY RELATE TO THE DESIRED OUTCOME COMPARED TO WHITE CONSTITUENTS?

The City does not have the breakdown of demographic information for large building owners, many of these building are owned by large real estate corporations that utilize a board of directors and shareholders for ownership models.

WHAT DATA IS UNAVAILABLE OR MISSING? HOW CAN YOU OBTAIN ADDITIONAL DATA?

None

SECTION 3: COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

USING THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (IAP2) [PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SPECTRUM](#), WHICH PARTICIPATION STRATEGY(S) WAS USED WHEN ENGAGING THOSE WHO WOULD BE MOST IMPACTED?

- INFORM

DESCRIBE THE ENGAGEMENT AND WHAT HAVE YOU LEARNED?

The contact for each of the benchmarked buildings in the city has received newsletters, emails and in some cases phone conversations about the change. Beginning in 2027 the data will be submitted to the State of Minnesota instead of the City of Minneapolis.

SECTION 4: ANALYSIS

HOW DOES THE OUTCOME FOR THIS ORDINANCE, AMENDMENT, OR POLICY HELP THE CITY ACHIEVE RACIAL EQUITY?

n/a - The goal of this ordinance change is not centered in racial equity and is an administrative change to be in sync with the state of Minnesota Stat. § 216C.331.

SECTION 5: EVALUATION

HOW WILL IMPACTS BE MEASURED? WHAT ARE THE SUCCESS INDICATORS AND PROCESS BENCHMARKS?

City staff will review data collected by the state annually and report out.

HOW WILL THOSE WHO ARE IMPACTED BE INFORMED OF PROGRESS OVER TIME?

n/a