

GreenSense Incentive Program Changes

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Background

- Initiated in 2009, last incentive adjustments in 2018
- Incentives covered 8% of total costs in 2017 and now cover just 4%
- GreenSense Energy Efficiency Incentives through 2022:
 - \$2,233,682 invested to reduce 41,966,711 kWh (equivalent to 3,498 homes)
 - 19 kWh reduced per dollar spent
- Online applications became available January 2023



GreenSense Incentive Program FY2024

- New items for FY2024 include:
 - E-Bike, HVAC Tune-up, Fan Giveaway, and Weatherization Kit for Renters
- Increase rebates across the board
 - HVAC, Heat Pump, Smart Thermostat, Radiant Barrier, Attic Insulation, Air Duct,
 Solar Screen, Windows, Solar Water Heater, Weatherization, & Electric Vehicle
 - New incentives are estimated to cover 18% of the total cost for upgrades



Committee and Board Review

- Committee on the Environment
 - August 6, 2023
- Public Utilities Board
 - January 23, 2023, and September 25, 2023
- Sustainability Framework Advisory Committee (SFAC)
 - August 31, 2022, January 27, 2023, and July 28, 2023



PUB 23-177 Action

- Ordinance amendments for the GIP and DGR schedules:
 - GreenSense Incentive Program (GIP) schedule
 - Allow for both direct cash GreenSense rebates and bill credits
 - Remove cash incentives for installation of photovoltaic applications
 - Distributed Generation from Renewable Sources Rider (DGR)
 - Option of a Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) for systems greater than 20kW



PUB 23-175 Action

- Adopt new Resolution that:
 - Delegates to the Director of Environmental Services & Sustainability
 - Funding adjustments within approved budget
 - Minor changes not in conflict with Council direction
 - Requires prompt publishing of public use impacts
 - Includes the new GreenSense Initiative Program Manual



Change to "Distributed Generation Manual"

Along with some general document cleanup, there are 3 primary changes to the Distributed Generation Manual;

- Clarify that DME has the option to require a purchase power agreement (PPA) for PV systems that are larger than 20kW.
- Add language that allows customer PV systems that are capable of islanding to continue to operate when utility service is lost.
- Pictures of the meter, breakers and breaker box are now required for the permitting application.



Questions?

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