# APPENDIX C – PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT APPROACH

Greater Portland Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy Outreach

Thorough and intentional stakeholder engagement was a top priority in developing the Greater Portland Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy. The **Greater Portland Economic Development District Board of Directors** advised and directed the planning process. This group is representative of the four-county bi-state region and is representative of principal economic interests including the private sector and public sector, community leadership, workforce development, institutions of higher education, labor, and private individuals.

The **Strategy Committee** provided thorough review and direction of the content of the CEDS and countless hours of in-kind support of the work. All content was reviewed and vetted by the Strategy Committee before being presented to the Board of Directors.

Advisors engaged throughout the process, including providing feedback and insights and GPEDD board meetings. These individuals were instrumental in developing the Greater Portland Economic Recovery Plan and therefore provided additional support as the project team knit the two bodies of work together. Advisors provided additional expertise and lived experiences that are reflected in the CEDS and will be invited to continue engagement throughout implementation.

Advisors representing **Black**, **Indigenous**, and **People of Color** (BIPOC) community-based organizations (CBOs) engaged in a human-centered stakeholder engagement process through caucused, confidential deep listening sessions. These sessions deepened relationships and generated partnerships, created additional opportunities for BIPOC organizational leaders to discuss and shape key elements of the CEDS, and developed proposed actions specific to the long-term needs of BIPOC business owners and communities.

**Industry cluster and economic disruption focus groups** joined targeted meetings to provide feedback on their subject matter expertise. All participants reviewed materials in advance of the meeting, actively engaged in the focus group, and many provided support via follow up communications. Their work is described in further detail in Appendix D.

Greater Portland Inc's Board of Directors and committees were also actively engaged in the process. The project team provided regular updates and collected feedback at all stages of the planning process. The groups include the Small Cities Consortium, Higher Education Committee, Greater Portland Global, and Greater Portland Economic Development Partners.

Metro Council and the Metro Policy Advisory Committee (MPAC) were engaged in the process in order to reach partner jurisdictions engaging in regional planning, as well as for transportation and land use.

In total, over 250 individuals representing more than 100 organizations and jurisdictions were thoughtfully engaged in developing the Greater Portland CEDS.

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