



TRIPLE BOTTOM LINE CALCULATOR

URBAN SUSTAINABILITY DIRECTORS NETWORK



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TBL Calculator Project Team

- This project is a partnership between the cities of Boston, Calgary, and Atlanta, with consulting from HDR Decision Economics



Overview of Presentation

- Background and rationale of the project
- The development of the current *Triple Bottom Line Calculator*
- How the *Triple Bottom Line Calculator* works



Background-City of Boston's SROI Project

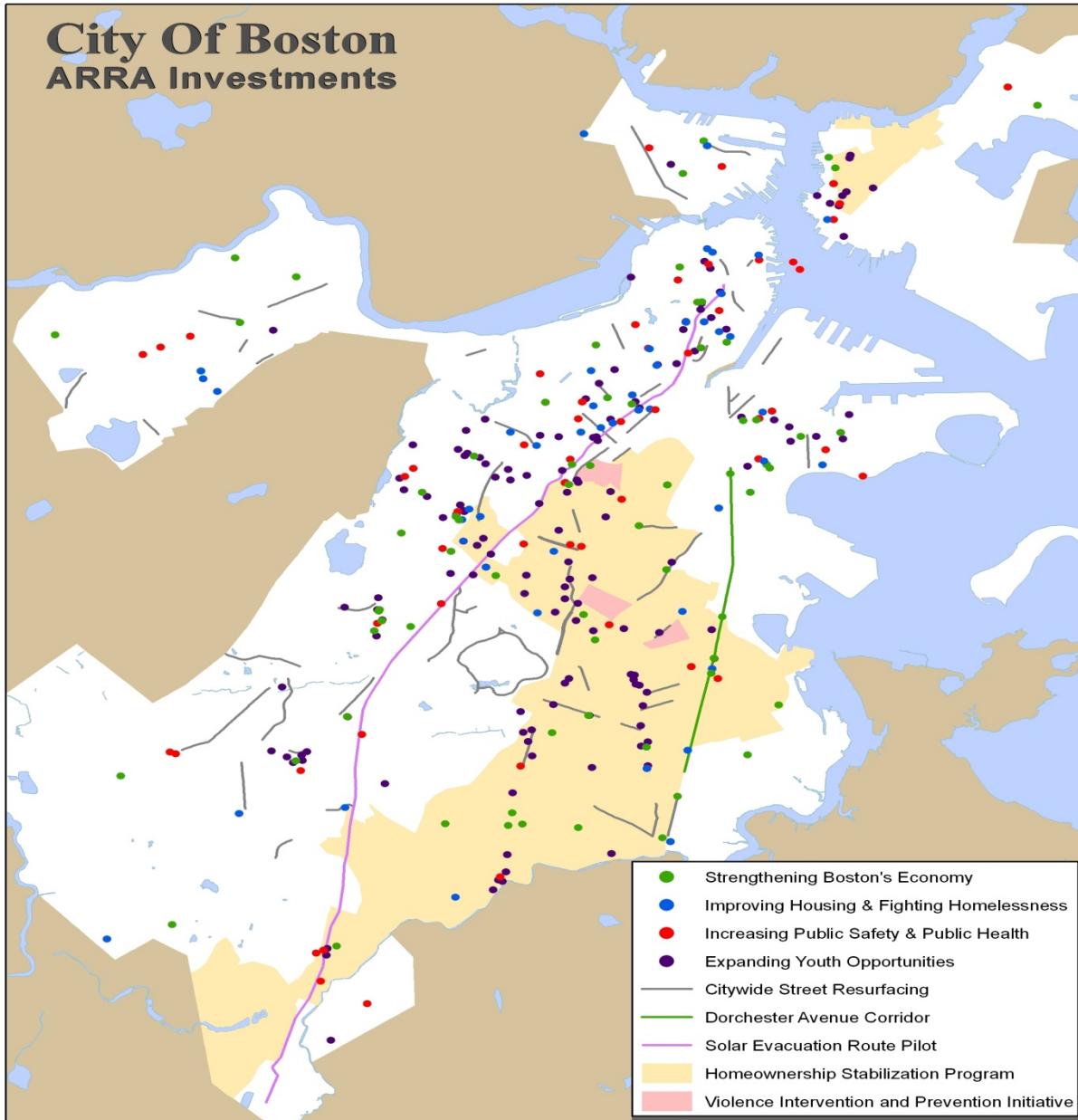
- A commitment from the city to fully track ARRA projects
 - Money in, money out
 - Job creation
 - Economic impact
- Current modeling effort limitations
 - The benefits on some projects were not fully captured
- Provide model for how to assess ARRA projects and augment the city's efforts for transparency in the federal stimulus process.



ARRA in Boston Overview

Objective	Examples
Strengthening Boston's Economy (Creating New Jobs)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Transportation Infrastructure Investments
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Broadband Technologies Opportunities Program
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Job Training Disadvantaged and Dislocated Adults
Improving Housing and Fighting Homelessness	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Public Housing Modernization
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Stabilizing Neighborhood Community
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing
Expanding Youth Opportunities	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Title1
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• IDEA
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Summer and Year-Round Jobs
Greening the City	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Renew Boston
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Solar Market Transformation Pilot
Increasing Public Safety and Public Health	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Community Oriented Policing Services
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Boston Senior Health and Nutrition

ARRA In Boston Overview





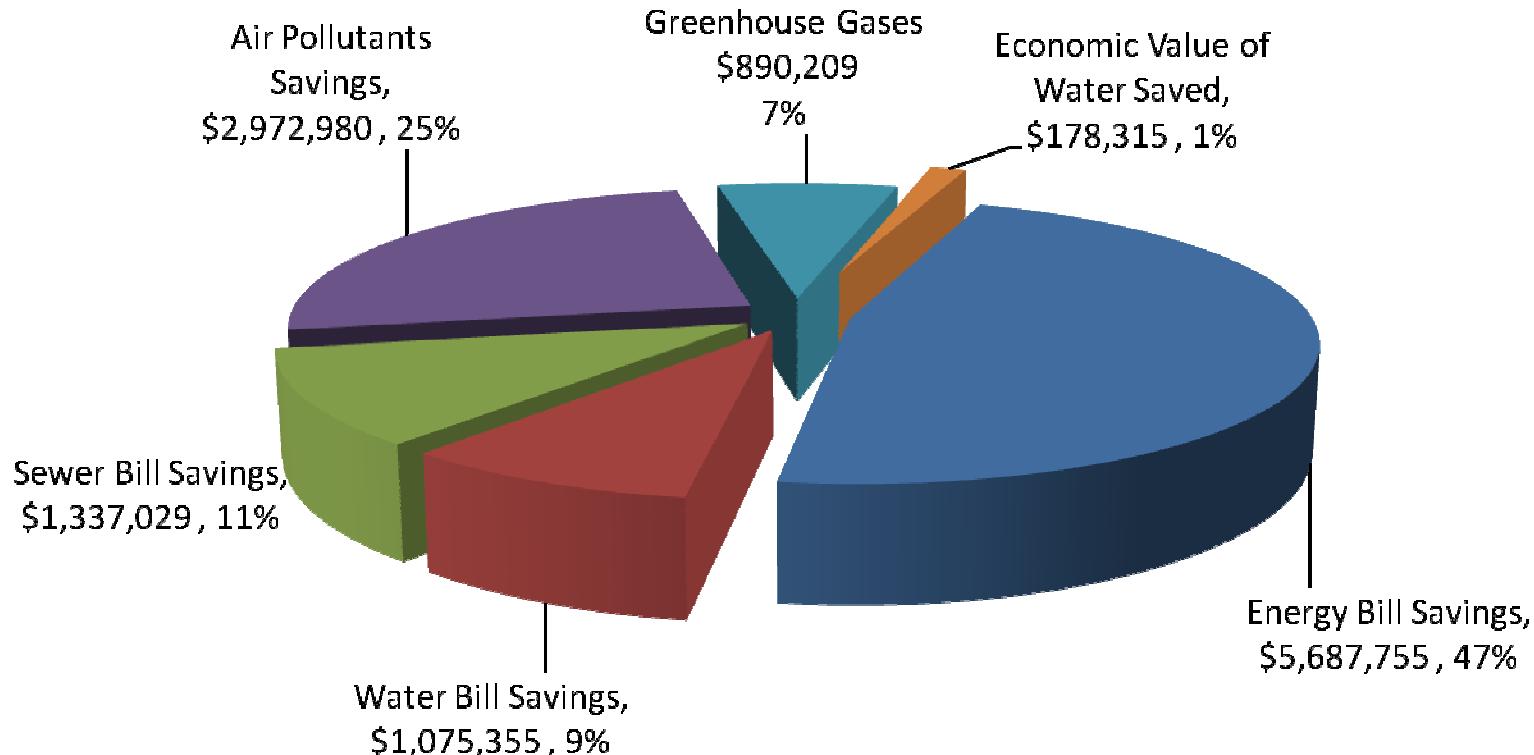
Sustainable Return on Investment (SROI)

Direct sustainability benefits are estimated to be substantial over time, with annual benefits in 2015 of:

- 34.4 million fewer kWh of electricity consumed
- 277,000 reduction of therms of gas used
- 23,750 HCF (hundreds of cubic feet) of water preserved
- 25,150 fewer tons of greenhouse gas emissions (CO₂)



Annual Energy and Environmental Benefits and Cost Savings in 2015



Sustainable Return on Investment Results

Department	Net Present Value	Discounted Payback Period (Years)	Internal Rate of Return	Benefit-Cost Ratio
EE	\$ 52,394,089	4	35%	3.0
BTD & PW	\$ 111,398,447	4	38%	6.8
DND	\$ 1,114,915	13	10%	1.6
BHA	\$ 43,746,959	2	63%	9.2
TOTAL	\$ 208,654,409	5	38%	4.5

- The aggregate Net Present Value (NPV) is over \$208 million with a 4.5 discounted payback period of about 5 years
- Benefit-cost ratios are estimated to be greater than 1.0 for all departments evaluated, ranging from 1.6 to 9.2
- The total Internal Rate of Return (IRR) is estimated to be 38%



USDN Opportunity Grant-TBL Calculator Project

- The purpose of the model is to provide USDN members a tool to:
 - Help understand and be strategic about capital investments in their respective cities
 - Calculate the impact of strategic investment
 - Monetize the environmental and social benefits of capital investments



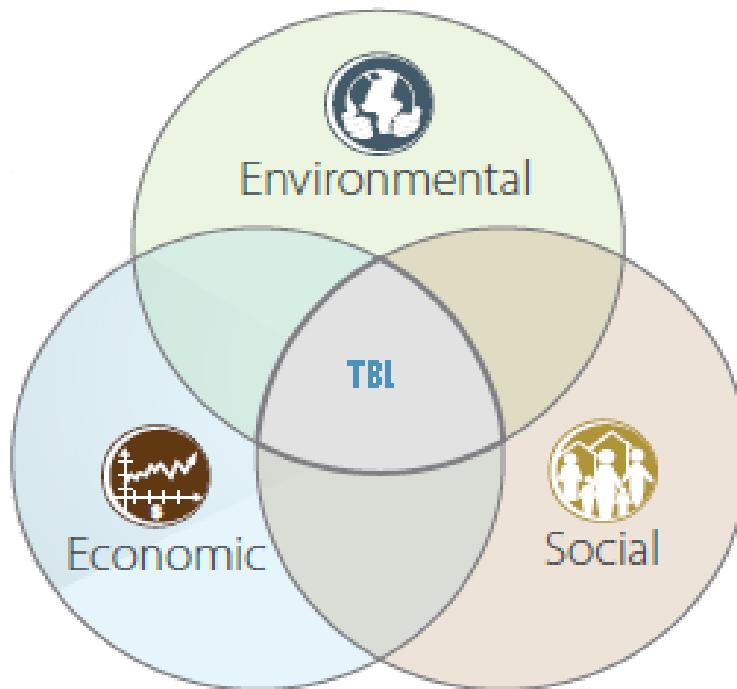
Overview-Development of TBL Calculator

Estimate the TBL --- economic, environmental, and social benefits of capital investments in the following categories:

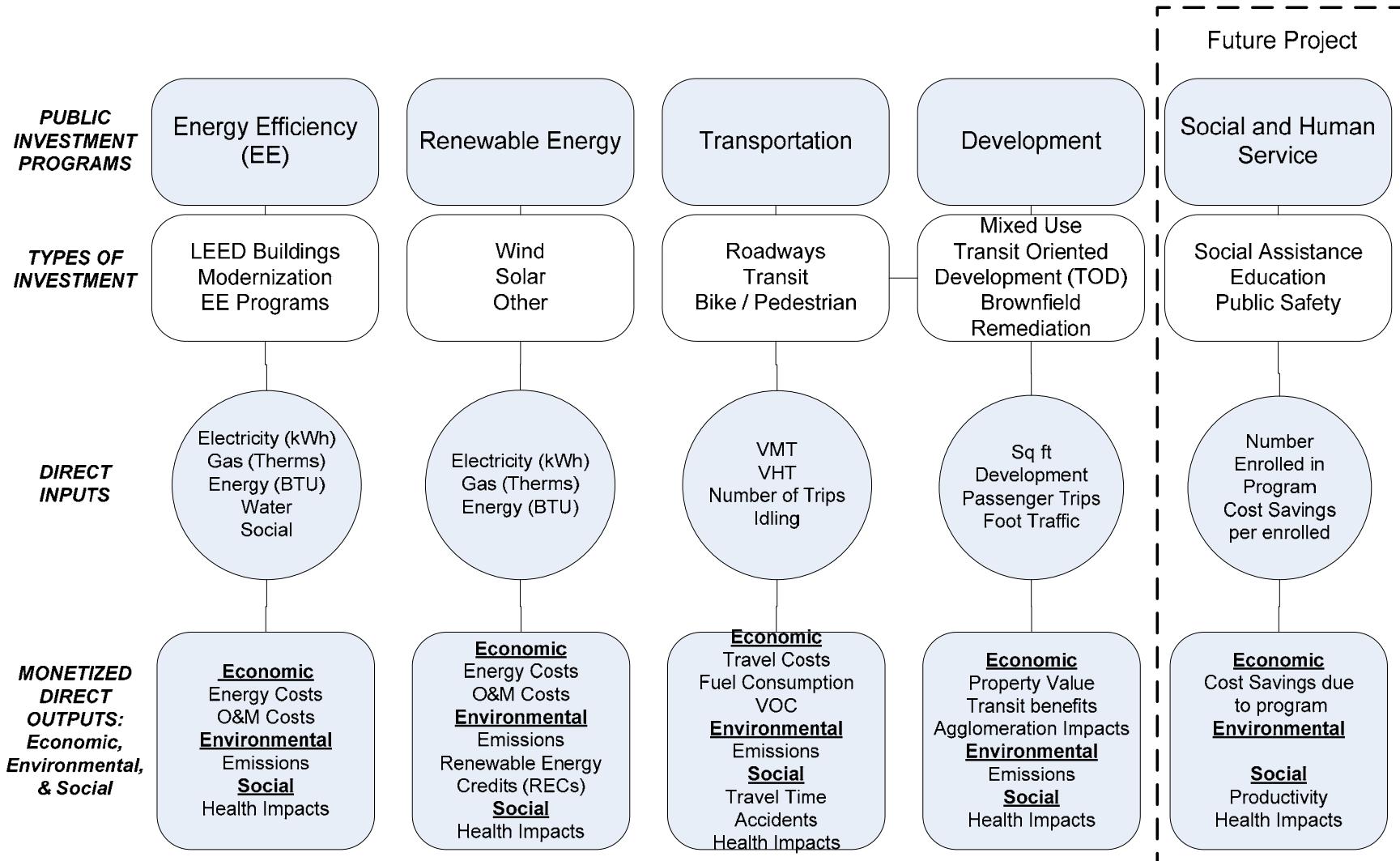
- **Energy Efficiency** - Investments and energy retrofit programs that reduce energy usage for infrastructure, municipal, commercial, and residential buildings.
- **Renewable Energy** - New renewable energy infrastructure including solar, wind, hydroelectric, and others.
- **Transportation** - Investments in roadways, public transit, bike/pedestrian infrastructure, and operations.
- **Development** - Mixed use and transit oriented development (TOD) projects will create more centralized development, reduce auto trips and travel, and increase foot traffic.

Analytical Framework

- Capital investments can have a combination of economic, environmental, and social impacts
- In some cases the impacts may be concentrated in only two of the three categories.

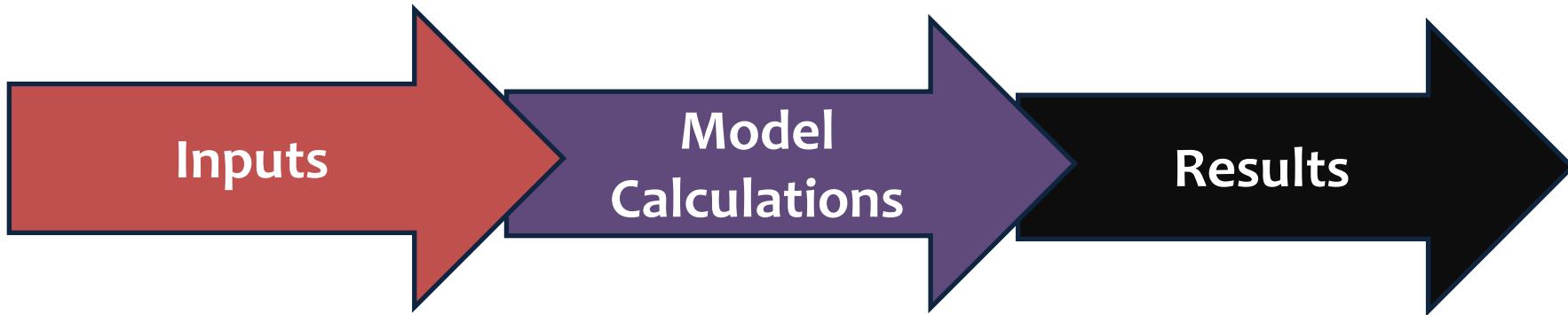


USDN Triple Bottom Line Model





Triple Bottom Line Calculator



Examples:

- Total investments
- Investment period
- Electricity consumer
- Electricity cost differential
- Average vehicle occupancy
- Average office wage
- Annual value of benefits
- Return on investment
- Benefit to cost ratio

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24	Model developed by HDR Decision Economics with input and feedback from Boston Redevelopment Authority (BRA)								
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4	Project name	LEED Hospital Investments																		
5	Total Investment (\$)	\$ 3,100,000																		
6	Investment period (start)	2015																		
7	Investment period (end)	2015																		
8	Investment useful life (years)	25																		
9	Cost Parameter Adjustment Factor																			
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21		2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020									
22	Capital costs	\$ 3,100,000																		
23	O&M costs	\$ 35,000																		
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25	(C) ENERGY, ENVIRONMENTAL & WATER IMPACTS																			
26	Annual kWh Savings (kWh)	250,000																		
27	Annual Therms Savings (therms)	23,000																		
28	Annual H2O Savings (gallons)	7,000																		
29	Electricity Consumer	Industrial																		
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Project will install LEED certified materials and energy efficient equipment in local hospital

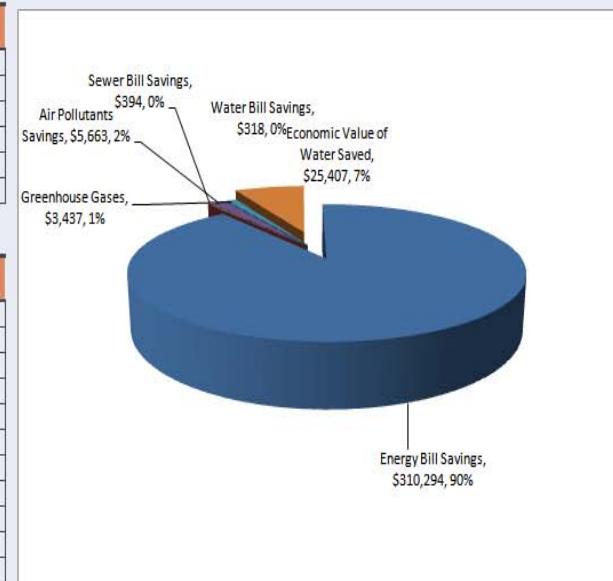
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Energy Efficiency & LEED														
TBL Results 2020														
Annual Value of Benefits										\$345,986	The total value of the benefits in the 10th year			
Electric Utility Savings										\$16,900	Direct			
Gas Utility Savings										\$293,394	Direct			
Water Utility Savings										\$318	Direct			
Sewer Utility Savings										\$394	Direct			
Total Green House Gas Savings										\$8,151	Externality			
Total Criteria Air Contaminant Savings										\$9,574	Externality			
Net Present Value										\$1,673,451	PV Benefits - PV All Costs			
Return on Investment										6%	Arithmetic Average Rate of Return on Capital Investment			
Discounted Payback Period										2026	Time in years till positive discounted cash flow			
Internal Rate of Return (%)										12%	Discount rate which would make NPV = 0			
Benefit to Cost Ratio										1.66	PV Benefits / PV Costs			
Utility Benefits 2020														
Energy Bill Savings										\$310,294				
Water Bill Savings										\$318				
Sewer Bill Savings										\$394				
Air Pollutants Savings										\$5,663				
Greenhouse Gases										\$3,437				
Economic Value of Water Saved										\$25,407				
Resource Savings 2020														
Water (gallons)										7,000				
Electricity (kWh)										250,000				
Energy (Therms)										23,000				
NOx (Tons)										0.24				
SO2 (Tons)										0.66				
PM (Tons)										-				
VOC (Tons)										-				
CO2 (Tons)										301				
CH4 (Tons)										0.02				
N2O (Tons)										0.00				
Hg (Tons)										0.00				



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24	(C) ENERGY & ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS													
25	Annual kWhs produced (kWh)													
26	Annual Therms saved (therms)													
27	Cost per Renewable kWh (\$)													
28	Electricity Consumer													
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36	(E) RENEWABLE TAX CREDITS													
37	Tax Credit (\$ per Mwh)													
38	Annual Tax Credit													
39	Number of years for tax credit													

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(A) PROJECT INVESTMENT PERIOD													
Project name: Wind Turbine Total Investment (\$): \$ 11,500,000 Investment period (start): 2012 Investment period (end): 2013 Investment useful life (years): 20 Project type: Wind Cost information: Summary Utility rates: Standard													
(B1) BASIC COST INFORMATION - PROCEED TO TABLE B2 IF DETAILED COST INFORMATION AVAILABLE													
Investment (in \$): \$ 11,500,000 O&M costs (in \$): \$ 75,000 O&M costs start year: 2016 Frequency of O&M costs (years): 2													
(C) ENERGY & ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS													
Annual kWhs produced (kWh): 9,500,000 Annual Therms saved (therms): Cost per Renewable kWh (\$): Electricity Consumer: Industrial													
(E) RENEWABLE TAX CREDITS													
Tax Credit (\$ per MWh): \$ 0.03 Annual Tax Credit: Number of years for tax credit: 5													
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Project will install
three wind turbines

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1	Renewable Energy																	
2	TBL Results 2020	Expected	Notes															
3	Annual Value of Benefits	\$772,644	The total value of the benefits in the 10th year															
4	Electric Utility Savings	\$642,200	Direct															
5	Gas Utility Savings	\$0	Direct															
6	Total Green House Gas Savings	\$124,228	Externality															
7	Total Criteria Air Contaminant Savings	\$130,159	Externality															
8	Net Present Value	-\$1,115,432	PV Benefits - PV All Costs															
9	Return on Investment	0%	Arithmetic Average Rate of Return on Capital Investment															
10	Discounted Payback Period	Doesn't Payback	Time in years till positive discounted cash flow															
11	Internal Rate of Return (%)	4%	Discount rate which would make NPV = 0															
12	Benefit to Cost Ratio	0.90	PV Benefits / PV Costs															
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15	Benefits 2020																	
16	Electricity (kWh)	9,500,000																
17	Energy (Therms)	-																
18	NOx (Tons)	1.01																
19	SO2 (Tons)	0.26																
20	PM (Tons)	-																
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4	Project name																
5	Total Investment (\$)																
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23	(C1) ROADWAY TRANSPORTATION DATA																
24	Auto																
25	Annual reduction in auto VMT																
26	Annual reduction in auto VHT																
27	Truck																
28	Annual reduction in truck VMT																
29	Annual reduction in truck VHT																
30	General																
31	Average vehicle occupancy																
32	Average speed (MPH)																
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34	(C2) PEDESTRIAN & BICYCLE TRANSPORTATION DATA																
35	Pedestrians & Bicycle																
36	Number of new bicyclists																
37	Number of new pedestrians																
38	Average trip distance (miles)																
39	Average reduction in delay per user (minutes)																
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41	(C3) TRANSIT TRANSPORTATION DATA																
42	Transit																
43	Number of new transit riders																
44	Average trip distance (miles)																
45	Transit fare price per rider																
46	New riders diverted from auto (percent)																
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TRANSPORTATION INPUTS

(A) PROJECT INVESTMENT PERIOD

Project name	Add Bike & Ped Lanes
Total Investment (\$)	\$ 21,500,000
Investment period (start)	2013
Investment period (end)	2015
Investment useful life (years)	20
Project Type	Pedestrian & Bicycle
Cost information	Detailed

(B2) DETAILED COST INFORMATION - FILL IN COST INFORMATION FOR EACH YEAR

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Capital costs	#####	#####	#####	#####	#####	#####	#####	#####	#####	#####	#####	#####	#####	#####	#####	#####
O&M costs																

(C1) ROADWAY TRANSPORTATION DATA

Auto	
Annual reduction in auto VMT	312,000
Annual reduction in auto VHT	1,733
Truck	
Annual reduction in truck VMT	
Annual reduction in truck VHT	
General	
Average vehicle occupancy	1.10
Average speed (MPH)	25

(C2) PEDESTRIAN & BICYCLE TRANSPORTATION DATA

Pedestrian & Bicycle	
Number of new bicyclists	500
Number of new pedestrians	300
Average trip distance (miles)	1.5
Average reduction in delay per user (minutes)	0.5

(C3) TRANSIT TRANSPORTATION DATA

Transit	
Number of new transit riders	
Average trip distance (miles)	
Transit fare price per rider	
New riders diverted from auto (percent)	

Project will add bike
and pedestrian lanes

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2	TBL Results 2020	Expected	Notes									
3	Annual Value of Benefits	\$59,667,019	The total value of the benefits in the 10th year									
4	Time savings	\$27,110										
5	Accidents	\$1,256,711										
6	Vehicle O&M savings	\$92,373										
7	Health benefits	\$97,792										
8	Pavement maintenance	\$312										
9	Congestion reduction	\$17,416										
10	Total Green House Gas Savings	\$17	Externality									
11	Total Criteria Air Contaminant Savings	\$1,349,688	Externality									
12	Net Present Value	\$9,872,918	PV Benefits - PV All Costs									
13	Return on Investment	1%	Arithmetic Average Rate of Return on Capital Investment									
14	Discounted Payback Period	2024	Time in years till positive discounted cash flow									
15	Internal Rate of Return (%)	12%	Discount rate which would make NPV = 0									
16	Benefit to Cost Ratio	1.43	PV Benefits / PV Costs									
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19	Transportation Benefits 2020											
20	NOX (Tons)	-										
21	CO2 (Tons)	0.61										
22	VOC (Tons)	669.91										
23	PM (Tons)	0.22										
24	SO2 (Tons)	0.03										
25	Fuel (gallons)	12,416										
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7 Investment period (end)

8 Investment useful life (years)

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22 (C) DEVELOPMENT IMPACTS

23 Retail sales

24 Net new annual retail sales (in \$)

25 Retail sales annual growth (percent)

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27 Health & walkability

28 Increased foot traffic (annual visitors)

29 Average walking (miles per visitor)

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31 Real estate

32 Property value premium (percent)

33 Property tax rate (percent)

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35 Economic impacts - retail

36 Net new **retail** jobs

37 Average wage per new **retail** job (\$/hour)

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39 Economic impacts - office

40 Net new **office** jobs

41 Average wage per new **office** job (\$/hour)

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Project will create a mixed use neighborhood development with retail and office space

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Developments Results											
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2	TBL Results 2020		Expected				Notes				
3	Annual Value of Benefits		\$944,769	The total value of the benefits in the 10th year							
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5	Net Present Value		-\$967,923	PV Benefits - PV All Costs							
6	Return on Investment		0%	Arithmetic Average Rate of Return on Capital Investment							
7	Discounted Payback Period		Doesn't Payback	Time in years till positive discounted cash flow							
8	Internal Rate of Return (%)		5%	Discount rate which would make NPV = 0							
9	Benefit to Cost Ratio		0.95	PV Benefits / PV Costs							
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12	Benefits 2020										
13	Total retail sales	\$48,331,476									
14	Property value	\$36,667									
15	Property tax	\$161,207									
16	Wages	\$736,320									
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Summary of the TBL Calculator

- With knowledge of a few key variables related to capital investments, it is possible to estimate key impacts, such as:
 - Energy savings
 - Water saving
 - Cost-Benefit Ratios
 - Payback periods
- This information can be used to help city decide how to strategically invest capital dollar or to help provide support for investment decisions.



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