

# PORTLAND PLANNING AND SUSTAINABILITY COMMISSION General Information

The Planning and
Sustainability Commission
(PSC) is responsible for the
stewardship, development
and maintenance of the City's
Comprehensive Plan, Climate
Action Plan and Zoning Code.
The commission is committed
to effective public involvement
and leadership in its work and
in the decisions it considers.

The Planning and Sustainability Commission (PSC) includes 11 volunteer members with expertise in a range of areas. Their major role is to advise City Council on Portland's long-range goals, policies and programs for land use, planning and sustainability. They do that by holding public hearings and discussing issues and proposals.

The PSC's charge is to act for the benefit of the people of Portland and to make recommendations they think will make Portland a better city. As a group, they have a variety of viewpoints, and together they balance a variety of City goals, including some that conflict.

#### The work of the PSC is to:

- Advise City Council and City bureaus on social, economic and environmental issues as well as long-range development in Portland.
- Advise City Council on the development and maintenance of the City's Comprehensive Plan and implementation measures.
- Ensure sustainability principles and practices are integrated into policy, planning and development decisions.
- Advise City Council, as well as City bureaus and other agencies, on projects and proposals that significantly affect the city.

## **Regular Meeting Schedule**

The PSC meets regularly, unless otherwise notified, at 1900 SW 4th Avenue, Room 2500A, second floor:

- Second Tuesday of each month, 12:30 p.m.
- Fourth Tuesday of each month, 5 p.m.



## **Agendas**

Meeting agendas are published in the Metro section of *The Oregonian* the Friday before each meeting. Agendas are also posted online at *www.portlandoregon.gov/bps* approximately one week before each meeting.

Individuals or groups may ask to receive the agenda, either via email or hard copy, by contacting staff at *psc@portlandoregon.gov* or 503-823-6041.

For items noted as a *Hearing* on an agenda, public testimony will be taken.

### **Submitting Testimony to the PSC**

When making a recommendation to City Council, the PSC looks at the material presented by staff and considers all testimony — whether given verbally in person or in writing by letter or email. Testifiers may mail, fax or email their testimony to the commission coordinator before the meeting or give the written testimony to the coordinator at the meeting. If you bring written testimony to the meeting, provide 12 copies of the statement (11 for commissioners, one for the Director) to the commission coordinator.

#### Written testimony provided prior to the hearing should be submitted to:

Mail: 1900 SW 4th Avenue, Suite 7100, Portland, Oregon 97201

Fax: 503-823-7800

Email: psc@portlandoregon.gov

- Written testimony must be received by the time of the hearing and must include your name and address. *To ensure commissioners have ample time to consider your testimony, please consider submitting it at least 24 hours in advance of the hearing.*
- People who wish to speak to the commission directly should attend the designated meeting and complete and submit a
  testimony card to the commission coordinator. For each hearing, cards are available on a table at the back of the meeting room.
  The coordinator accepts cards before and during the meeting until the commission chair closes the hearing. (See Tips for Effective
  Testimony for more detailed instructions.)

#### If you missed a meeting and are interested in the outcomes or discussion:

PSC meetings are live streamed on the BPS YouTube channel at www.youtube.com/c/portlandbps.

All PSC meetings are video recorded, and minutes are taken. Completed meeting minutes, documents and presentations from PSC meetings are available approximately 10 days following each meeting on the PSC News page at <a href="https://www.portlandoregon.gov/bps/41664">www.portlandoregon.gov/bps/41664</a>.

Full-length video of PSC meetings is shown on cable Channel 30 starting the Friday after each meeting:

- Fridays at 3 p.m.
- Tuesday at 7:30 p.m.
- Sunday at 7 a.m.