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City plans open houses for Portland Building Reconstruction project

**Wednesday September 28, 4:00 – 7:00 p.m. and
Wednesday October 5, 3:00 – 6:00 p.m.**

The City of Portland will hold two open houses to introduce the Portland Building Reconstruction project to the public. The open houses will give visitors the opportunity to learn about the reconstruction, meet project team members, and provide input on specific design considerations. The design phase of the project has just begun, and these events will allow community members to share their thoughts about the building's public spaces with project leaders from the City's Office of Management and Finance, representatives from DLR (the project's lead design firm), Howard S. Wright (the contractor), and DAY CPM (the owner's representative).

The first open house, on Wednesday, September 28, from 4:00 – 7:00 p.m., will be held on the second floor of the Portland Building, 1120 SW 5th Avenue. The second event, in outer southeast, is scheduled for Wednesday, October 5, from 3:00 – 6:00 p.m., at Ron Russell Middle School, 3955 SE 112th Avenue. Both events will feature stations highlighting the project's scope and schedule, design parameters, construction plans, sustainability, equity in contracting procedures, public art, and historic preservation. Project team members will be available at each station to answer questions. Both open houses are free, open to the public, and will include refreshments.

At the open house at Ron Russell Middle School, seventh and eighth-grade students will share their ideas for the design of the building's public spaces, and interactive activities will be provided for other children visiting with their families.

Fred Miller, Chief Administrative Officer for the City of Portland, invites your participation. "These events will provide an excellent opportunity for people interested in the Portland Building to learn about the project, share their thoughts, and talk to some of our team members," he added.

The five-year reconstruction project will protect a major public investment by addressing

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problems with the building's structure, exterior, and systems – problems that repairs alone cannot solve. Sustainability and accessibility features will be upgraded in the process.

For those unable to attend the open houses who want to share their thoughts on the design of the building's public spaces, the City has posted several survey questions online at www.portlandoregon.gov/omf/71546. For more information about these events, call 503-823-1237 or email portlandbuilding@portlandoregon.gov. To learn more about the reconstruction project itself, please visit www.PortlandOregon.gov/PortlandBuilding.

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