

**The Portland Bureau of Transportation
Seeks Additional Members for the
Transportation System Plan Expert Group as a component of the
Portland Comprehensive Plan Update**

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The Portland Bureau of Transportation (PBOT) is accepting applications through **April 10, 2015** for additional community members to serve on the Transportation System Plan (TSP) Expert Group, convened jointly by the bureaus of Transportation and Planning and Sustainability as a component of the Portland Comprehensive Plan Update.

PBOT is looking to add six (6) members that represent one of each: Equity Interests, Small Business Owner, Youth, Public Health (community member or agency representative), Transit Advocacy, and Persons with Disabilities.

Portland's Comprehensive Plan helps the city prepare for and manage expected population and employment growth, as well as plan for the major public investments to accommodate that growth. It provides direction for City decision-making on land use, transportation, sewer and water systems, and natural resource management programs, while ensuring that investments in major city systems are coordinated.

The Transportation System Plan (TSP) is the long-range plan to guide transportation investments in Portland. The TSP meets State and regional planning requirements and addresses local transportation needs for cost-effective street, transit, freight, bicycle, and pedestrian improvements. The plan provides transportation choices for residents, employees, visitors, and firms doing business in Portland, making it more convenient to walk, bicycle, take transit, and drive less to meet their daily needs. The TSP provides a balanced transportation system to support neighborhood livability and economic development.

The TEG advises City staff on the Transportation System Plan. Over the past year plus, the TEG has been engaged in review of draft transportation policies and projects in the Comprehensive Plan. The TEG will be shifting its attention over the next year to how best to implement these policies and projects, concentrating on initiatives such as a Citywide Parking Strategy, a hierarchy for responding to multiple transportation needs, district-level transportation plans, and possible changes to street classifications.

The Expert Group has typically met monthly since mid-December 2013 – and will continue to do so at least through 2015. Occasionally, additional meetings or subcommittee meetings may occur outside of the monthly meeting time.

Member Qualifications and Skills

Community members who are interested in serving on the TSP Expert Group should consider the following qualifications or skills:

- Professional and/or volunteer experience that corresponds to transportation initiatives in the City of Portland or region;
- Ability to work collaboratively with people of diverse perspectives and experience;
- Ability to commit 4-6 hours every month during business hours, plus preparation for monthly meetings and attendance at community involvement events.

Selection Process

Applications will be reviewed by PBOT staff. Final appointment to the Expert Group will be made by the Director of the Portland Bureau of Transportation. If selected you will be notified early in the week of April 13.

PBOT will work to ensure diversity of members, including but not limited to, field experts, neighborhood groups, business and institutional associations, persons with disabilities, communities of color, and interest groups.

Thursday, April 16; 3:30 – 6:00 PM TEG Meeting

If selected, the first meeting would be **Thursday, April 16; 3:30 – 6:00 PM** in the Lovejoy Room, 2nd Floor, City Hall, downtown Portland.

Application Process

To apply to be a member of the TSP Expert Group, please complete the attached form and submit by **April 10, 2015**.

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D. List your experience working on diverse teams or committees:

E. The Portland Bureau of Transportation seeks to have representatives from the community at large and/or from community organizations. How do you identify yourself?

___ Community member at large ___ If you are a member of a community organization, please list the name(s) of the organization(s).

My signature affirms that all information contained herein is true to the best of my knowledge, and that I understand that any misstatement of fact or misrepresentation of credentials may result in this application being disqualified from further consideration.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please note this optional information must remain on a separate page from the rest of the application.

OPTIONAL INFORMATION

The City asks that you voluntarily provide the following information. By providing this information, you will help us ensure that appointments represent a broad cross-section of the community. You are under no legal obligation to provide this information. State and federal law prohibits the use of this information to discriminate against you. The City will treat this information as confidential to the fullest extent allowed by law.

Age: Under 18 18-35 35-64 65+

Race/ethnicity: African-American Asian Caucasian
 Hispanic Native American Mixed/Other

Gender: Female Male Other

Disability: No Yes

If yes, Please specify: _____

To apply to be a member of the TSP Advisory Committee, please complete the interest form and submit by **April 10, 2015** to:

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