

PORTLAND CHARTER COMMISSION



**PUBLIC HEARING
ON**

**PROPOSED
CHARTER
AMENDMENTS**

May 2022

PROPOSAL TO REFORM PORTLAND'S ELECTIONS & FORM OF GOVERNMENT

- 1** **Allowing voters to rank candidates** in order of their preference, using ranked choice voting
- 2** **Four new geographic districts** with three members elected to represent each district, expanding the city council to 12 members
- 3** A **city council** that focuses on setting policy and a **mayor** elected citywide to run the city's day-to-day operations, with the help of a **professional city administrator**

CURRENT GOVERNMENT: COMMISSION FORM OF GOVERNMENT

MAYOR



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FOUR COMMISSIONERS

A five-member city council:

- Mayor and City Commissioners **share responsibilities**
- They manage the city's **bureaus and services**
- They **pass laws** and approve the **city budget**

NEW GOVERNMENT: MAYOR-COUNCIL

Roles & Responsibilities

CITY COUNCIL
<i>Elected leaders</i>
legislative
Passes laws
Amends and approves the budget
Focuses on connecting with community

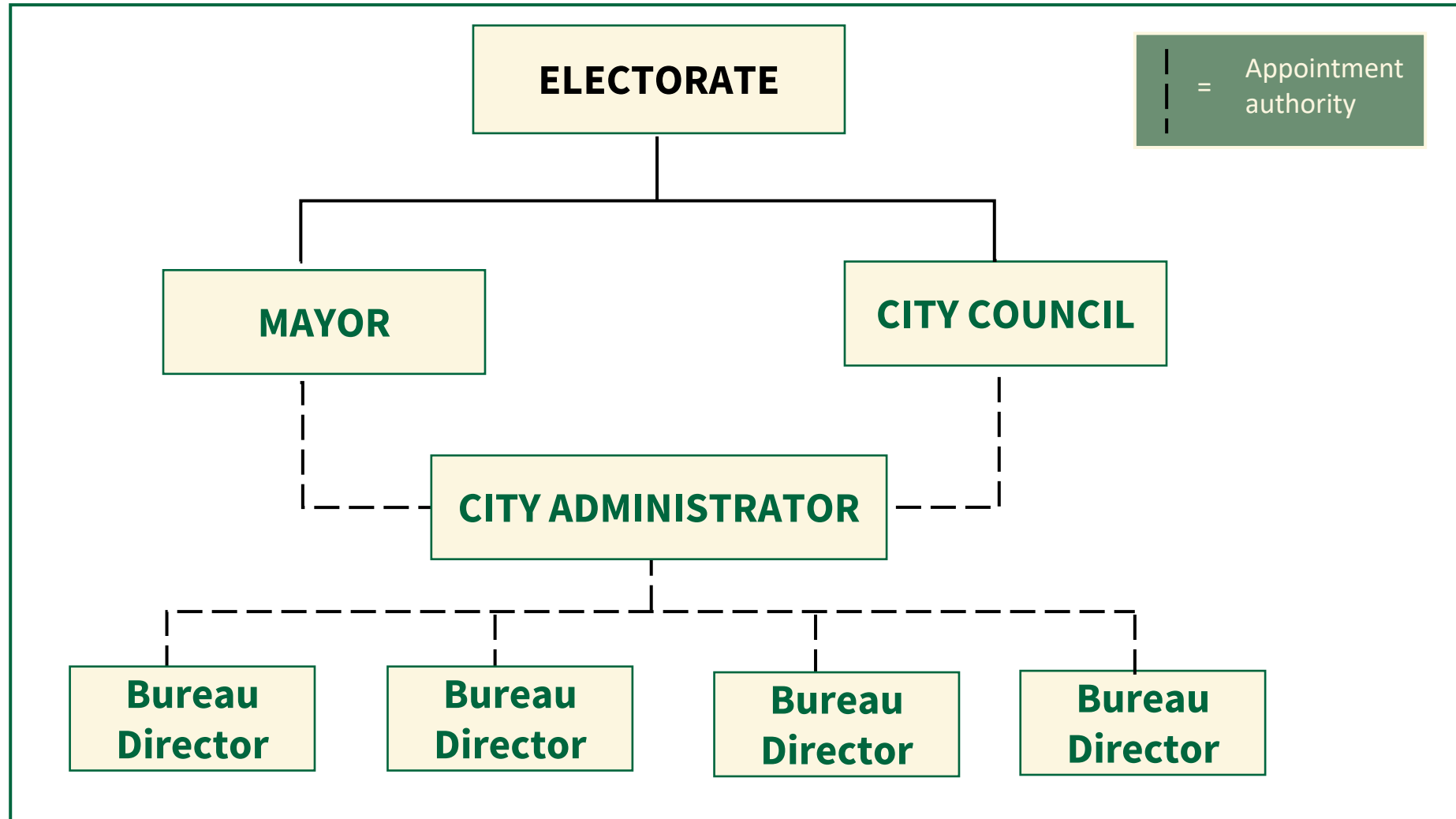
MAYOR
<i>An elected leader</i>
executive
Carries out the laws
Proposes the budget
Supervises the city administrator

CITY ADMINISTRATOR
<i>Non-elected official</i>
administrative
Helps a mayor carry out the laws, reports to the Mayor
Manages city services
Supervises bureau directors

NEW GOVERNMENT: MAYOR-COUNCIL

Appointment authority breakdown

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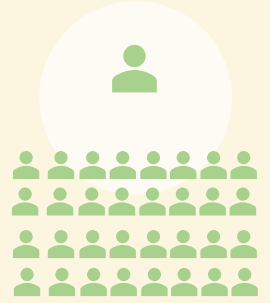


CURRENT ELECTIONS

PORTLAND IS LESS REPRESENTED THAN OTHER CITIES

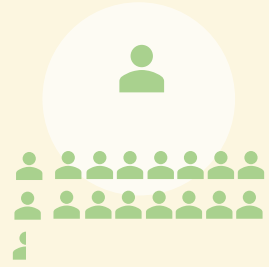
PORTLAND

1/128,000



SEATTLE

1/67,000



OAKLAND

1/44,000



EUGENE



1/18,000



BEND

1/12,000



 = 1 City Council Representative
 = 40,000 people

Size & Constituency

5-member council elected citywide

Voting System

Pick one, winner-take-all

Timing of Elections

Primary (May) & General election (November)

DISTRICTS, EXPANDED COUNCIL

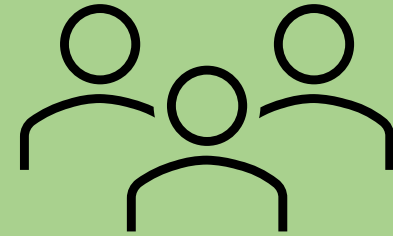
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DISTRICT 1



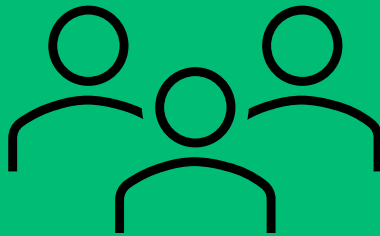
Three councilors per district

DISTRICT 2



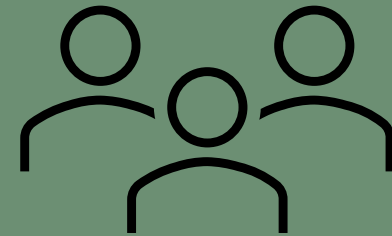
Three councilors per district

DISTRICT 3



Three councilors per district

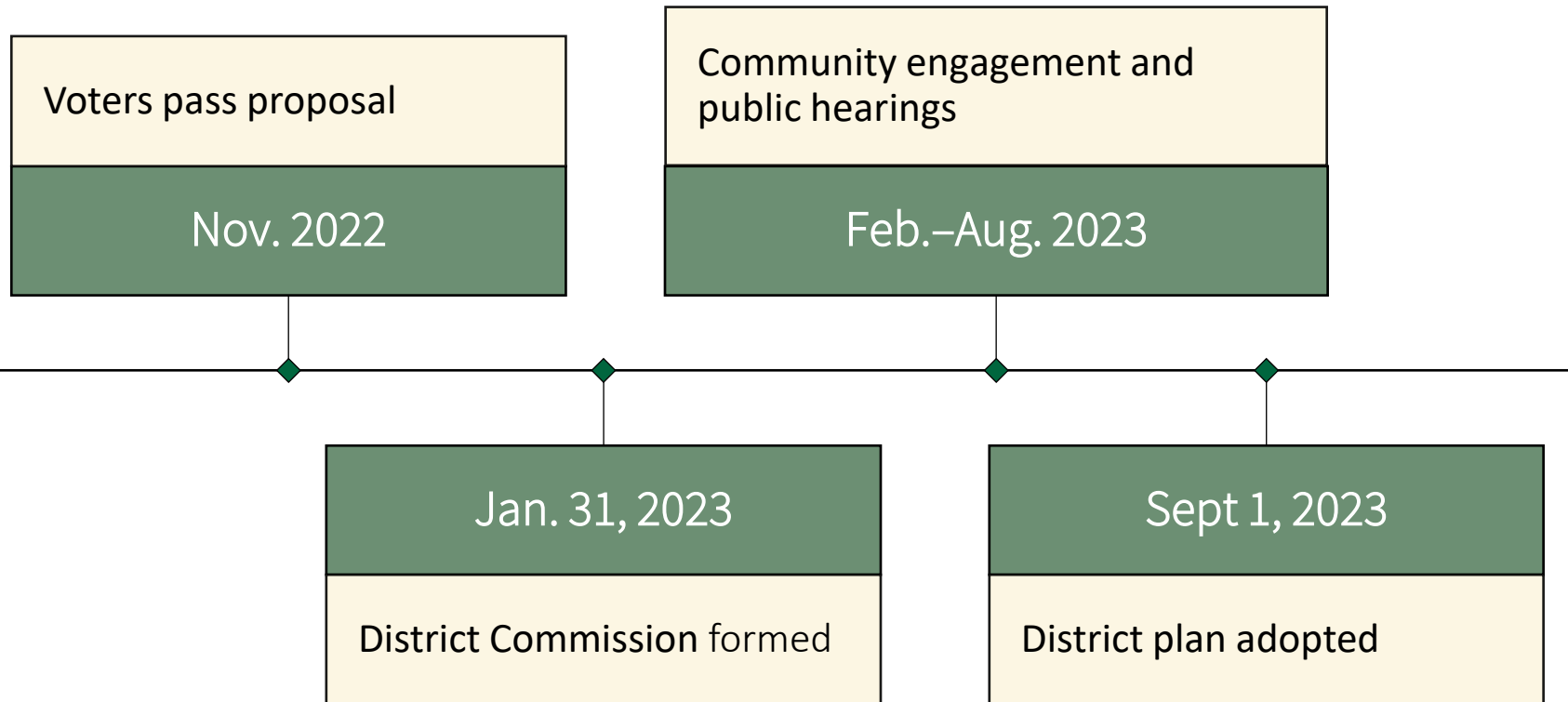
DISTRICT 4



Three councilors per district

DISTRICTING PROCESS

TIMELINE:



CRITERIA:

- **Contiguous** (one connected piece)
- Utilize **existing geographic** or **political boundaries**
- Keep **communities of common interest** together
- Connected by **transportation links**
- **Equal population**

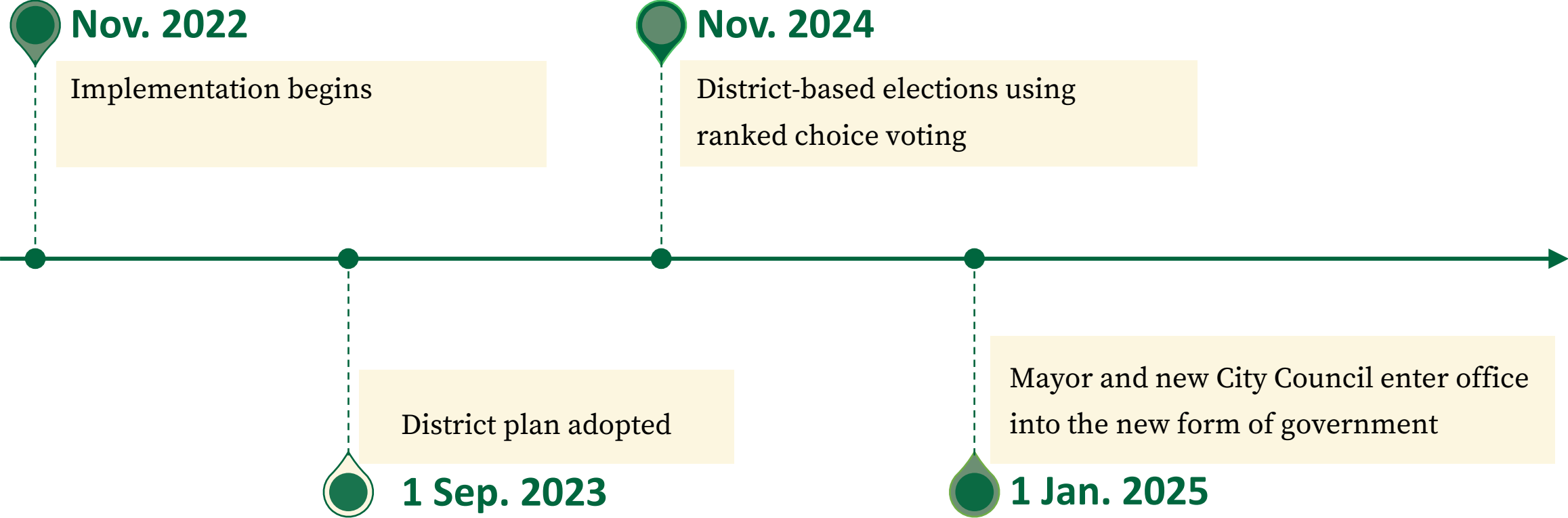
RANKED CHOICE VOTING

Ballot Example

	1st Choice	2nd Choice	3rd Choice	4th Choice	5th Choice
Candidate A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Candidate B	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Candidate C	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Candidate D	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Candidate E	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

BALLOT RESULTS	
1 st Choice	Candidate A
2 nd Choice	Candidate D
3 rd Choice	Candidate C
4 th Choice	Candidate E
5 th Choice	Candidate B

IMPLEMENTATION TIMELINE



NEXT STEPS

Submit comments by May 30th at 5pm, you can submit comments by:

Calling 311

Emailing CharterReview@portlandoregon.gov

Sending written comments to Office of Management and Finance, Charter Review, 1120 SW 5th Avenue, Room 901, Portland, OR 97204

Timeline:

May 30	Public comments submitted by 5pm
June 6th	Commission work session
June	Ballot title drafting
June 14th	Final vote of the Commission
June 29th	Ballot referral

STAY ENGAGED IN CHARTER REVIEW

**Give verbal public
comment at full
Commission meetings**

**Join & engage in
virtual committee
meetings**

**Sign up for monthly
email updates**

Join charter events

**Submit written
comment via email or
comment form**

**Watch past
recordings online**

**Request a briefing or
meeting with
Commissioners
and/staff**

**Engage through our
partner
organizations**

Email: CharterReview@portlandoregon.gov

Thank You!

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Public hearings on proposed charter amendments

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