

# PORTLAND CHARTER COMMISSION

## Form of Government Subcommittee

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### Research questions:

1. Legislative Authority: Who should have the power to make the laws?
2. Executive Authority: Who should have the power to carry out the laws?
3. Mayor is a member of Council: Should the Mayor be a member of City Council?
4. Mayor votes with Council: Should the Mayor vote with Council?
5. Mayor has veto authority: Should the Mayor have veto authority?
6. Appointment & removal of Chief Administrative Officer and City Manager: Who should be able to appoint and remove a CAO and City Manager?
7. Appointment & removal of bureau directors: Who should be able to appoint and remove bureau directors?
8. Policy development: Who should be responsible for developing policy?
9. Prepare budget: Who should be responsible for preparing the budget?