PORTLAND CHARTER COMMISSION



PROPOSED
CHARTER
AMENDMENTS

May 2022

PROPOSAL TO REFORM PORTLAND'S ELECTIONS & FORM OF GOVERNMENT

Allowing voters to rank candidates in order of their preference, using ranked choice voting

Four new geographic districts with three members elected to represent each district, expanding the city council to 12 members

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**

NEW GOVERNMENT: MAYOR-COUNCIL Roles & Responsibilities

CITY COUNCIL

Elected leaders

legislative

Passes laws

Amends and approves the budget

Focuses on connecting with community

MAYOR

An elected leader

executive

Carries out the laws

Proposes the budget

Supervises the city administrator

CITY ADMINISTRATOR

Non-elected official

administrative

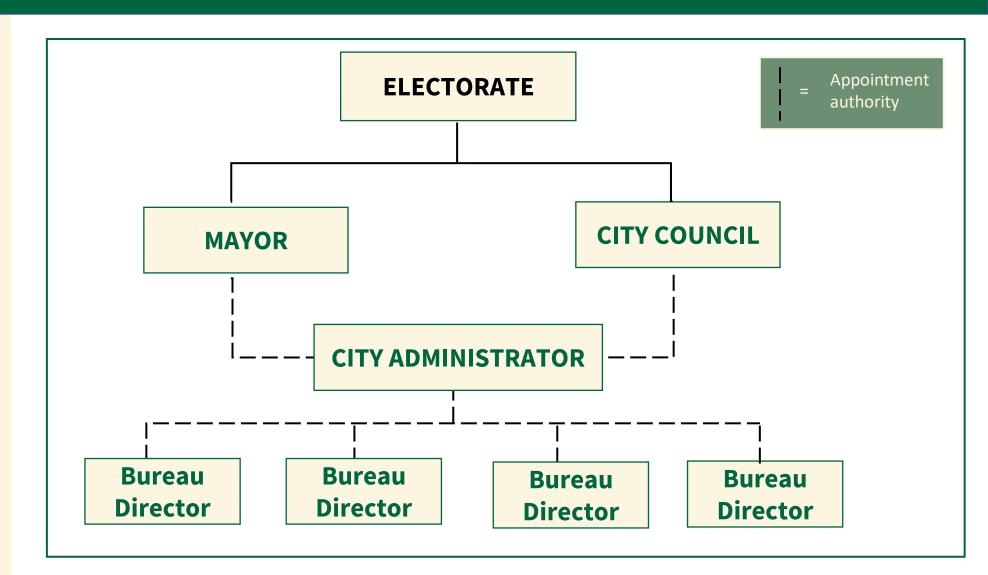
Helps a mayor carry out the laws, reports to the Mayor

Manages city services

Supervises bureau directors

NEW GOVERNMENT: MAYOR-COUNCIL Appointment authority breakdown

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DISTRICTS, EXPANDED COUNCIL

Four new geographic

districts, of equal

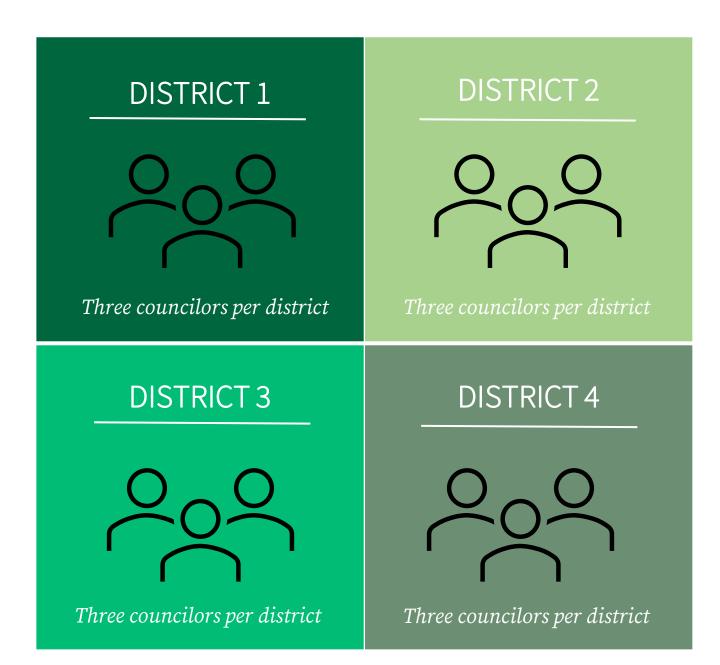
size, with three

members elected to

represent each district,

expanding the city council

to 12 members



DISTRICTING PROCESS

TIMELINE: Community engagement and Voters pass proposal public hearings Nov. 2022 Feb.-Aug. 2023 Sept 1, 2023 Jan. 31, 2023 **District Commission** formed District plan adopted

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	Y				
Candidate B					$\overline{\checkmark}$
Candidate C			\checkmark		
Candidate D		▼			
Candidate E				$\overline{\mathbf{A}}$	

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



Nov. 2022

Implementation begins



Nov. 2024

District-based elections using ranked choice voting

District plan adopted

1 Sep. 2023

Mayor and new City Council enter office into the new form of government

1 Jan. 2025

NEXT STEPS

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

Calling 311

Emailing <u>CharterReview@portlandoregon.gov</u>

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
May 31	Commission work session
June 6	Commission work session
June 14	Final vote of the Commission
June	Ballot title drafting

Thank You!