

# City Transition Update

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**Portland  
Transition**

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Community centered.  
City delivered.



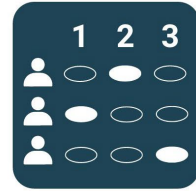
# A New Era in Portland

## TODAY



Vote for one candidate

## FUTURE



Rank Candidates

## TODAY



Citywide elections

## FUTURE



4 geographic districts

## TODAY



City Council:  
4 commissioners  
+ mayor

## FUTURE



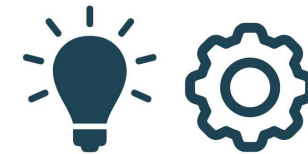
City Council:  
12 Councilors

## TODAY



Mayor and city council set policy AND manage city bureaus,

## FUTURE



City council sets policy. Mayor manages city with city administrator





# How Did We Get Here?

- 18 months
- 20 dedicated Charter Commissioners
- Thousands of community members
- 1 election
- 58% approval



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## Phase 1 Immediate Transition

- Establish Transition authority
- Scope, plan for and implement the form of government reforms
- Scope, plan for and implement elections methods reforms

## Phase 2 Adapt and Future Improvements

- Align work with new form of government, new council priorities
- Continue process and systems improvement
- Conduct assessment

## Phase 3 Future State

- 2030 Charter Commission appointed
- Continuous improvement
- Revised work based on assessment and lessons learned



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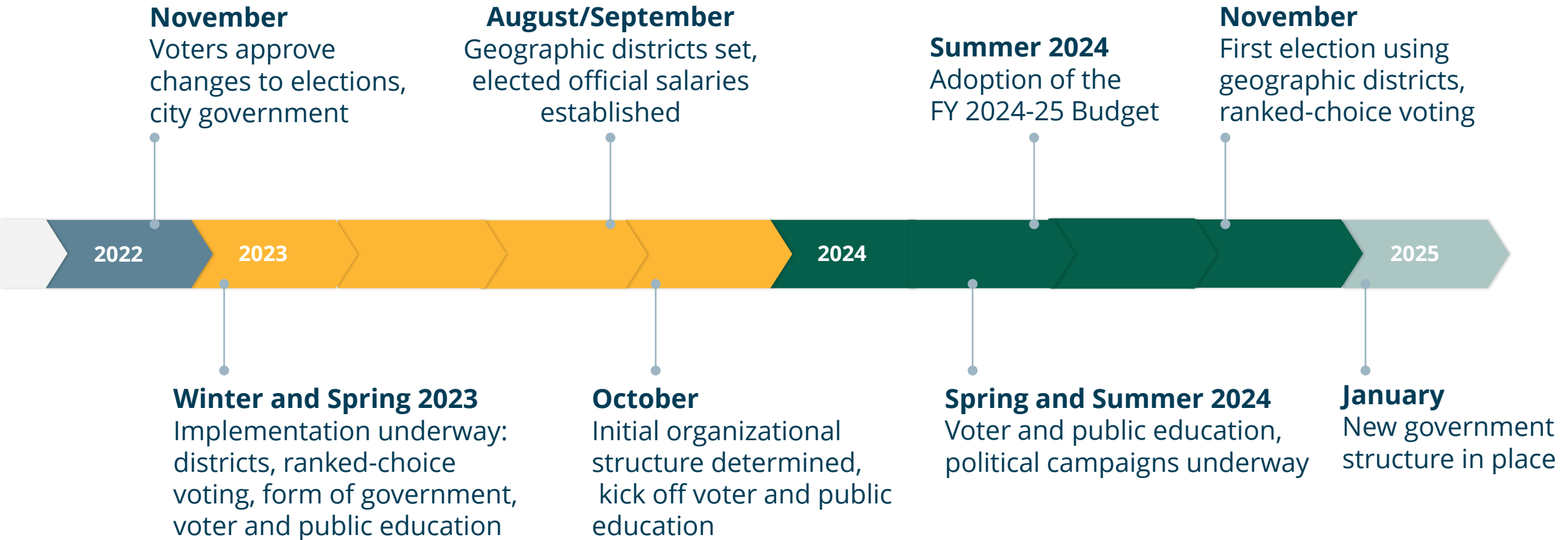
### Election Methods

- Administration of ranked-choice voting elections
- Voter education
- Districting







### Governance

- Council operations
- Salaries of elected officials
- City budgeting
- Facilities improvements
- Code review and revisions
- City Administrator position & recruitment
- City organization
- Future service delivery improvements

# Countdown to January 2025



# Administering Ranked-choice Voting

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# Voter Education

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Utilize government  
communication  
channels



Candidate  
training

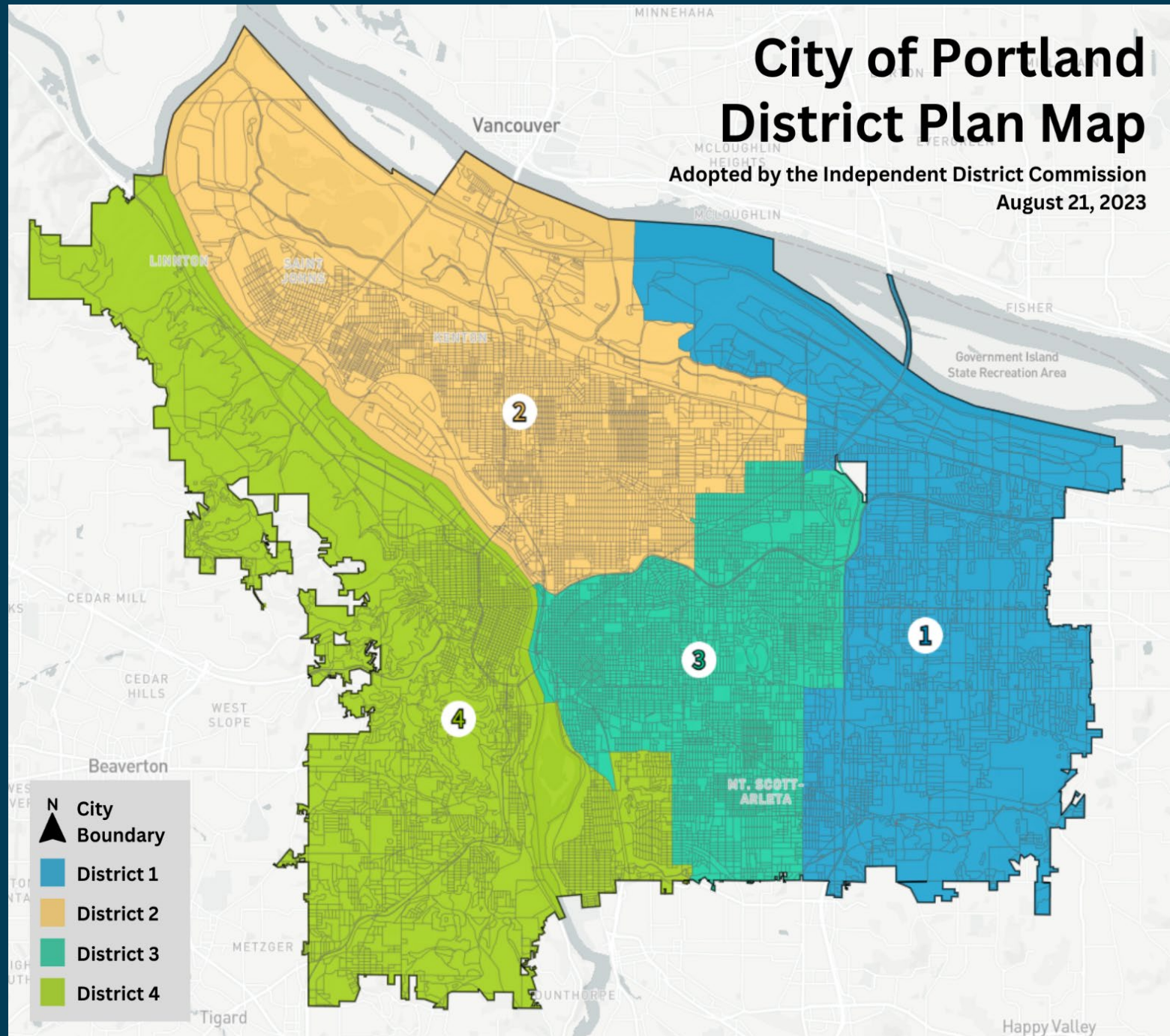


Partnership focused  
on hard-to-reach  
voters



# City of Portland District Plan Map

Adopted by the Independent District Commission  
August 21, 2023



# Roles of Council and Mayor

## Future role of legislative council

Sets policy.

Makes appropriations and raises revenue by approving or adjusting the City's budget.

Convenes public meetings, gathers input, debates and evaluates policy choices; and adopts laws or policies to reflect those choices.

Quasi-judicial power to apply laws and policies.

## Future role of executive mayor

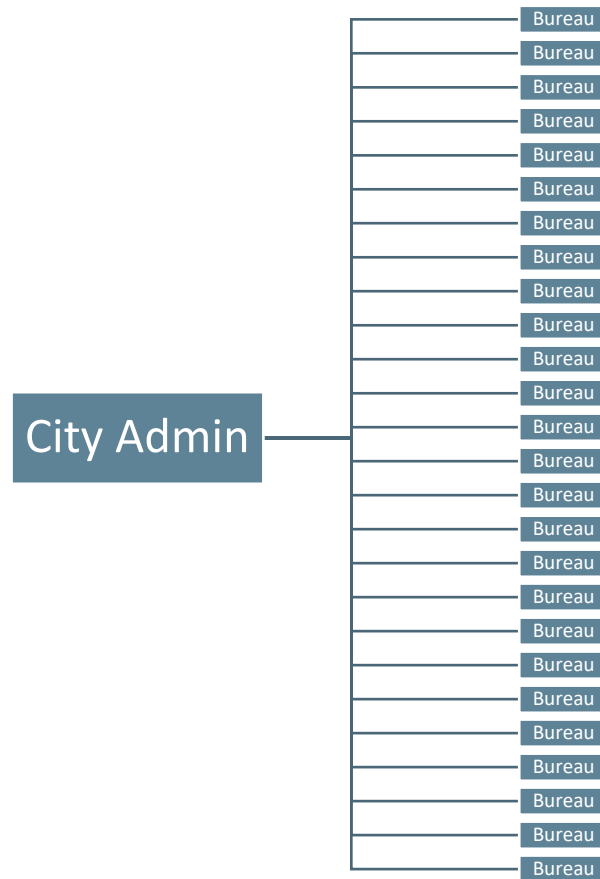
Manages city services with the help of the city administrator.

Adopts administrative rules and executes laws.

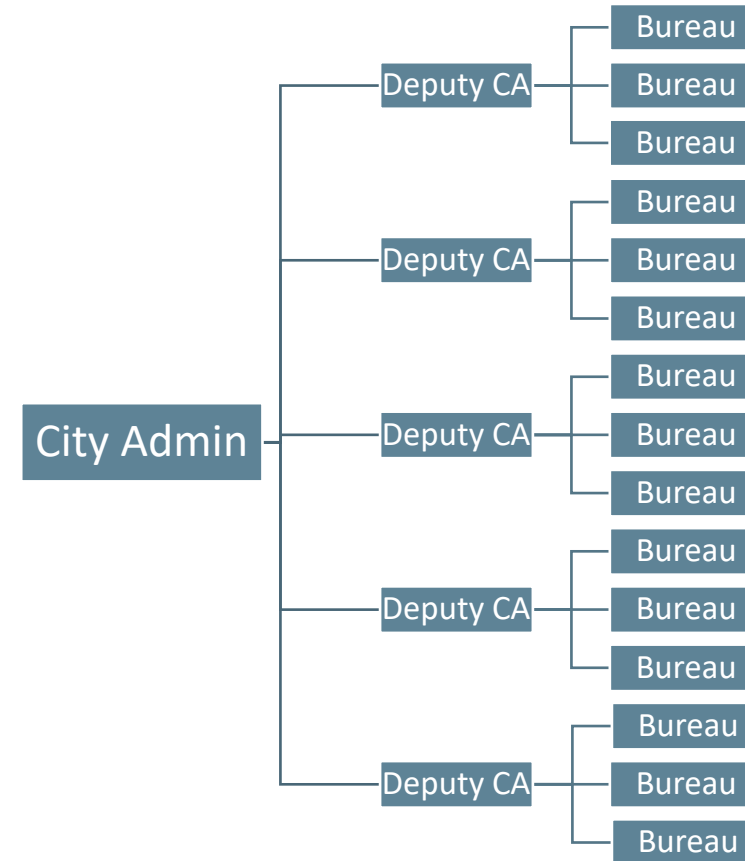
Administers bureaus, employees, facilities and resources. Ensures the City is using appropriated funds effectively.

Introduces matters before council with the same authority as a councilor, and votes in the case of a tie.

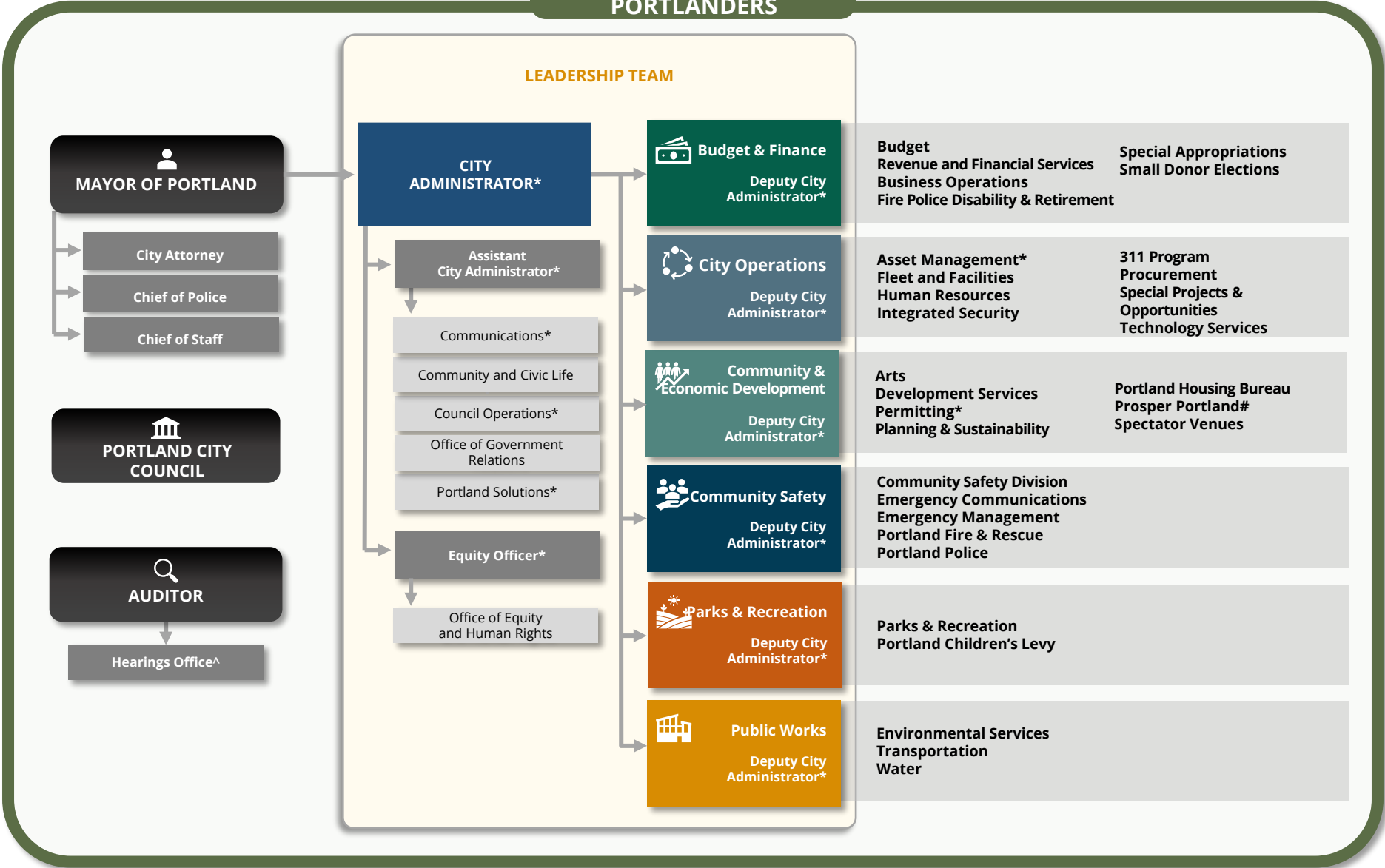
# Preparing For the New Form of Government



If nothing changes, the new city administrator will have 26 direct reports starting January 2025.



A different reporting structure gives a city administrator the best chance to successfully lead and sets the stage for future improvements that benefit community and employees.



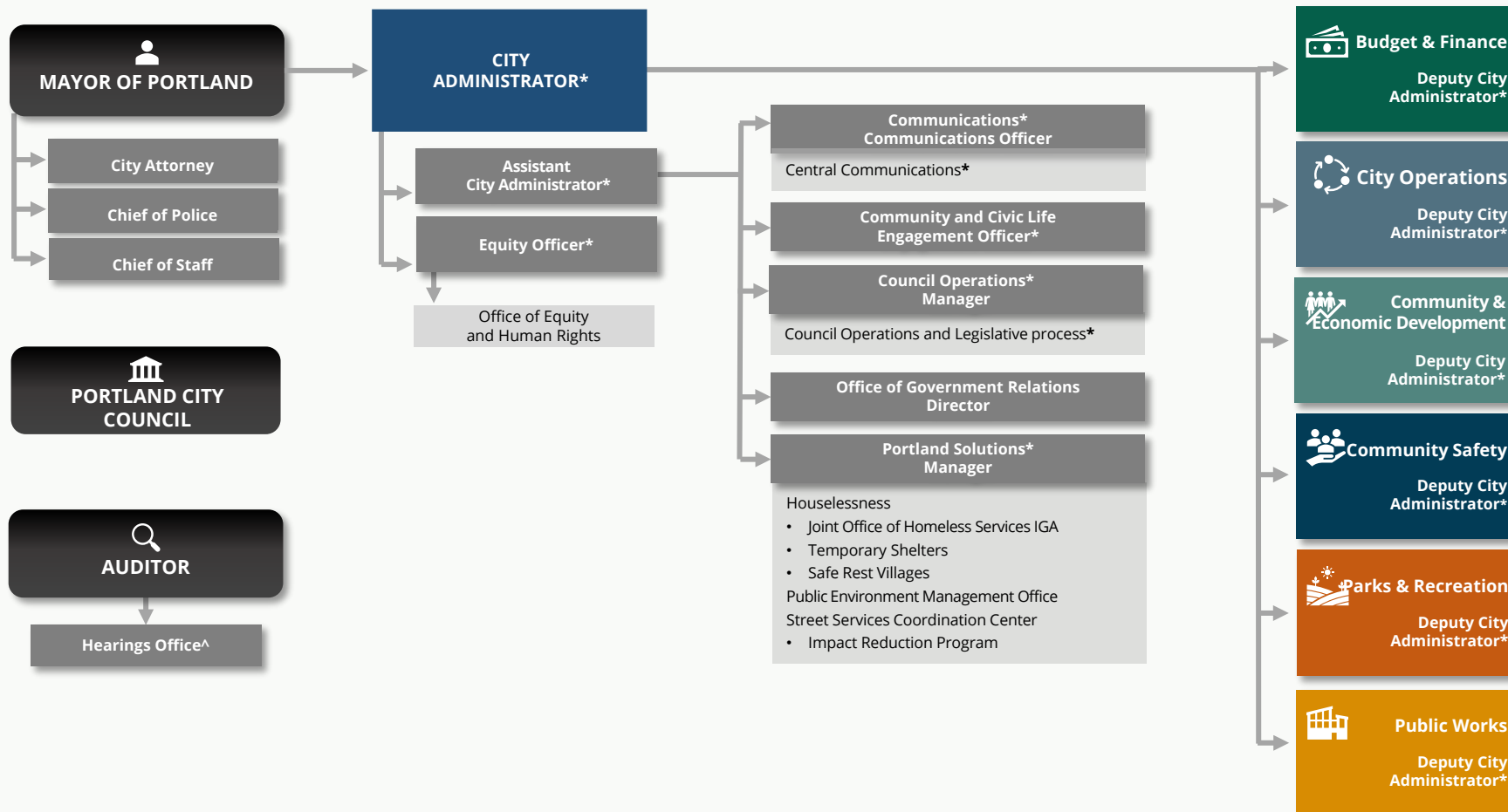
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- # Reports to the Prosper Portland Commission
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## PORTLANDERS

## CITY OF PORTLAND, OREGON Proposed Organizational Chart EXECUTIVE OFFICE



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