

**IMPACT STATEMENT**

**Legislation title:** Reappoint Linda Barnes, Eugene Lathan, John McCamish and Ed Wallace to the Fire Code Board of Appeals with terms set to expire June 30, 2020 (Report)

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**Purpose of proposed legislation and background information:**

Portland Fire & Rescue is requesting approval to reappoint these members to the Fire Code Board of Appeals.

**Financial and budgetary impacts:**

There are no financial or budgetary impacts to this proposed legislation.

**Community impacts and community involvement:**

By approving these board member appointments, the City is providing the necessary means by which a citizen may request an appeal of a fire code issue before a Fire Code Board of Appeals.

**Budgetary Impact Worksheet**

**Does this action change appropriations?**

YES: Please complete the information below.

NO: Skip this section

Fund	Fund Center	Commitment Item	Functional Area	Funded Program	Grant	Sponsored Program	Amount

## **Appointee Bios**

### **Linda Barnes**

Linda has served over 15 years on both the Fire Code Board of Appeals and the Building Code Board of Appeals. She has over 25 years as a Principal Architect at a local, women-owned architecture firm and has construction experience from both the design perspective and the building owner perspective in a variety of building and construction types.

### **Eugene Lathan**

Eugene Lathan has served for 6 years as a Fire Code Board of Appeals member; 3 years with the City of Vancouver and 3 years with Portland Fire & Rescue. He possesses a strong understanding of the fire prevention and protections areas and works daily in the construction industry where he continuously practices safe site and building standards. Additionally, he has been the project manager for several fire protection companies.

### **John McCamish**

John McCamish has served 6 years as a Fire Code Board of Appeals member and has 20 years of experience in the electrical trade; including residential, commercial and industrial systems. The last 15 years have been specifically focused on fire alarm systems. He has provided instruction on fire alarm code and the national electrical code to journeyman electricians and has designed curriculum used nationally for these areas. He currently has an Oregon General Supervising Electrician License, Washington State Master Electrician License and NICET III certification. He serves on the National Fire Alarm and Signaling Code Fundamentals Committee, and on the National Electrical Code Making Panel 2.

### **Ed Wallace**

Ed Wallace has served 6 years as a Fire Code Board of Appeals member and has more than 30 years in the fire protection industry as a business owner and professional, installing, maintaining, testing and inspecting fire equipment and systems. He is NICET II certified in water based systems and fire alarm systems and ICC certified in kitchen systems and portable fire extinguishers. He currently serves on the Amerex Global Board and previously was the President of the Oregon Fire Equipment Distributors Association, a Board Member of the National Fire Equipment Distributors Association and the Washington Fire Protection Association.