

Chapter 3.38 Portland Advisory Committee on Housing (PACH)

3.38.010 Created.

The Portland Advisory Committee on Housing (PACH) is established and designated as the primary public forum for discussion of housing and housing related policies and programs, guiding City and Portland Housing Bureau (PHB) goals around housing production, preservation, and protections.

3.38.020 Mission.

The mission of the PACH is to elevate the importance of housing stabilization in Portland communities by providing comprehensive advice to the Mayor, City Administrator, Director of PHB, and Council.

3.38.030 Duties.

The PACH will:

- A.** Advise on housing policy and planning priorities, including those faced by Portland community members, landlords, tenants, and homeowners.
- B.** Periodically review and recommend updates to PHB's strategic plan, Consolidated Plan, Fair Housing Plan, and adherence to the Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing mandate.
- C.** Reinforce PHB's commitment to racial equity in all facets of work.
- D.** Provide the forum for community members to comment on needs and priorities.

3.38.040 Membership.

EXHIBIT A

- A.** Membership on the PACH should balance professional and lived experience and reflect the socio-economic, gender, racial, ethnic, cultural, and geographic diversity of the City. Individual committee member backgrounds may include some or many of these experiences and identities.
- B.** Professional expertise includes (1) housing policy and mixed income housing models, (2) affordable housing development, preservation, and financing, and (3) landlord tenant law, fair housing, and property management.
- C.** Lived experience includes housing instability, eviction, neighborhood displacement, fair housing violations, identification with a community population that has been historically disenfranchised, marginalized, or excluded from public engagement, processes, and benefits.
- D.** The PACH will consist of at least 10 and no more than 15 members.
- E.** Two seats will be reserved for youth representation, defined for individuals aged 16 – 24.
- F.** PACH members will be appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by Council.
- G.** Members will be expected to transcend their individual interests and affiliations to focus on meeting the city's housing needs.
- H.** Members will serve without compensation. However, the City may authorize reimbursement of the reasonable expenses of the members for carrying out the work of the PACH.
- I.** The PACH will adopt rules of procedure and bylaws for the governance of its proceedings, which must be approved as to form by the City Attorney.

3.38.050 Staffing.

The Director of PHB will provide staff for the ongoing functions of the PACH. PHB will provide notice of PACH meetings to liaison staff representing the other key implementing and policy agencies in the local housing delivery system.

3.38.060 Consolidated Plan Consortium.

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PHB will continue to lead the Portland Consortium that includes the City of Gresham and Multnomah County, for the purpose of applying for federal housing and community development entitlement funds, and funding for homeless programs and services. PHB will also continue to lead the same Consortium in preparing the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing and its periodic updates. PHB will continue to provide staffing for these efforts, according to funding agreements reached among the participating jurisdictions.

3.38.070 Cooperation.

All city boards, bureaus, and agencies of any kind will cooperate with the PACH and provide information requested by the PACH.