

# Port of Portland



## Port of Portland Corporate Backgrounder

July 2017

### Corporate Mission

To enhance the region's economy and quality of life by providing efficient cargo and air passenger access to national and global markets and by promoting industrial development.

### Current Port Commissioners

Jim Carter

*President*

Tom Chamberlain

*Vice President*

Linda Pearce

*Treasurer*

Robert Levy

*Secretary*

Michael Alexander

Alice Cuprill-Comas

Pat MacDonald

Tom Tsuruta

Gary Young

### Executive Director

Curtis Robinhold

### Division Directors

Daniel Blaufus

*General Counsel*

Vince Granato

*Chief Operating Officer*

Keith Leavitt

*Chief Commercial Officer*

Kristen Leonard

*Chief Public Affairs Officer*

Cindy Nichol

*Chief Financial Officer*

Bobbi Stedman

*Chief Human Resources Officer*

Stan Watters

*Chief Project and Technical Services Officer*

### Contact Information

7200 NE Airport Way  
Portland, OR 97218

503.415.6000

800.547.8411

[www.portofportland.com](http://www.portofportland.com)

### Port History and Organization

The Oregon Legislature created the Port of Portland in 1891 to dredge a shipping channel from Portland to the sea. Today, the Port owns three airports (Portland International, Hillsboro, and Troutdale), four marine terminals and five industrial parks. The Port also owns and operates the Dredge *Oregon* to help maintain the navigation channel on the lower Columbia and Willamette rivers.

The Port is a regional government encompassing Clackamas, Multnomah and Washington counties in Oregon. The nine-member Port Commission is appointed by the governor and confirmed by the Oregon Senate. Commissioners are unpaid. They serve four-year terms and can be re-appointed. They hire the Port's executive director who is responsible for day-to-day management. Monthly public commission meetings are held at Port headquarters on the second Wednesday of each month.

### Financing

The Port has a public mission to connect the region to the global marketplace while generating 96 percent of its revenues from transactions with private sector clients. Only 4 percent of Port revenues are generated by a property tax collected in Multnomah, Washington and Clackamas Counties.

### The Port has two primary financial structures:

- **Aviation Fund**

Aviation's operations are self-supporting and receive no direct property tax support. The agreements with air passenger and cargo carriers at Portland International Airport provide the cornerstone for the aviation line of business.

- **General Fund**

The general fund is comprised of marine, industrial development, navigation and administrative activities. Majority of the money the Port receives into the general fund comes from customer revenues for the use of services and facilities. Property taxes and grants are also important funding sources. Property taxes are assessed at a rate of 7.01 cents per thousand dollars of assessed value on property located within the Port's jurisdiction and average about \$18 per household.

### Contact:

**Kelley Bonsall | Corporate Communications Director**

503.415.6041 | [kelley.bonsall@portofportland.com](mailto:kelley.bonsall@portofportland.com)