

**Remote HHS and Public Safety
Meeting Agenda**
July 8, 2025 at 5:30 PM
Remote Meeting



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Councilor Anna Bullett, District 4, Chair
Councilor April Fournier, At-Large
Councilor Sarah Michniewicz, District 1
Councilor Wesley Pelletier, District 2

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1. Announcements
2. Review and Approval of Minutes from June 10, 2025
 - a. Draft Minutes
3. Process Update: Emergency Management Plan (Keith Gautreau, Portland EMA Contract Employee)
 - a. Municipal Emergency Operations Plan
4. Staff Update on Opioid Settlement Funds (Maggie McLoughlin, Director of Health & Human Services)
 - a. Opioid Settlement Funds Update
5. Helping Individuals Regain Employment (HIRE) and Portland Opportunity Crew (POC) Update (Aaron Geyer, Director of Social Services)
6. Public Safety Update (Police Chief, Mark Dubois)
 - a. July 8, 2025 Public Safety Update
7. Next Meeting: September 9, 2025

Health & Human Services and Public Safety Committee

June 10, 2025, 5:30 PM Remote Meeting

Committee Attendance:

Anna Bullett, Chair (District 4), Sarah Michniewicz (District 1), Wesley Pelletier (District 2).

Councilor Attendance:

Mayor Mark Dion

City Staff:

Adam Harr, Executive Assistant; Dena Libner, Assistant City Manager; Greg Jordan, Assistant City Manager; Maggie McLoughlin, Director of Health and Human Services; Chad Johnston, Fire Chief; Aaron Geyer, Director of Social Services; Mike Murray, Director of Public Works; Troy Moon, Sustainability Director; Jason Grant, Fire Marshall.

Invited Panelists:

Amy Holland, Statewide Homeless Response System Coordinator; Nakesha Warren, Homeless Response Hub 2 Coordinator.

1. Announcements

- None.

2. Review and Approval of Minutes from May 13, 2025

- Councilor Michniewicz Moved to approve the minutes and seconded by Councilor Pelletier. The minutes were approved unanimously 3-0.

3. Discussion Re: Investment in Maintenance and Installation of Street Lights (Mike Murray, Director of Public Works)

- In 2017, The City bought the lights infrastructure that had until then been rented and maintained from Central Maine Power Company (CMP) for \$590,000.
- Followed by a retrofit with energy conserving lighting.
 - 6,500 street lights at \$4 million which was bonded to finance.
- Maintenance of street lights were formerly tasked to the traffic division as part of their traffic signal, cross walk painting, and street/regulatory sign maintenance duties; there were staff with electrical backgrounds.
- Two types of lights:
 - ~4,000 Cobra style lights on many utility poles are higher near power lines.
 - ~2,500 Decorative lights on a standalone pole with no visible wires, as well as a town and country lights on wooden posts.
- Maintenance of outages

- Cobra head lights are near high voltage wires and require someone with an electrical line license such as a CMP worker; no one in the City has this license so an individual is contracted maintain Cobra head lights.
- Staff that have master electrician, journeymen, and helper's licenses are able to help on the decorative lights with one FTE devoted to these lights with another staff who splits time between traffic lights and the decorative lights, when time permits.
- Dashboard from a third party vendor shows outages but must be verified.
- Citizens through see click fix can report them
- Decorative lights may work but have an electrical issue supply power that CMP must fix.
- Point in time survey in the fall taking an inventory by canvassing the city after dark.
 - The last PIT found 471 lights were not working (7.2% of all lights)
 - 274 were decorative.
 - Some poles have multiple lights but if a single light on a pole was out, it was counted as an outage.
- Looking to decrease the time lights are out and that outages are equitable with no one area experiencing more outages than another.
- Started replacing streetlight equipment in 2017, reducing street light energy consumption by 70%.
 - Replaced 6400 lamps.
 - \$4 million project
 - Some decorative lights had issues under warranty.
 - Underground electrical is an issue that is CMP's responsibility.
- There are opportunities to look at new technologies.
 - New tech to communicate with lights exist; currently it is a wireless mesh network that were chosen because cellular communication was not adequate at the time but has improved significantly at present.
- We have reduced costs by \$1 million per year by owning our lights.
 - Ownership makes repair our responsibility.

Committee questions and discussion

- Mayor Dion had to address outages in his tenure on the Council and understanding who is responsible for repair and that there was a lack of licensed staff at both the City and CMP.
- There are very dark areas that are criminogenic and pose a risk to public safety.
 - A bright place is a safe place; is there capacity to identify dark areas and direct resources to illuminate them.?
 - We can look at a variety of ways to increase lighting such as adding additional fixtures.
 - Can dark corridors be indexed? There are places that are too dark and unsafe; is there a way to identify these.
 - Audit these areas.
- Councilor Michniewicz agreed that there appears to be a disparity of some areas and would request an analysis of these dark corridors cross referenced with calls for service to measure how many calls for service (for crime or falls on walking paths) are increased due to outages.
- Councilor Michniewicz asked if it would help to have a licensed electrician to replace contracting CMP help and what would be needed?
 - The contract relationship is our best option.

- Vision Zero: DPW’s reporting on the operability of the system to fix outages as quickly as possible. Are there areas of the just not lit enough for safety and residents will need to mitigate nuisance light to prioritize the safety of the community.
- Councilor Bullett would like to see what a big investment to get street lights off the grid would look like and thanked staff for keeping up with emerging technologies.
- Fire department staff are knowledgeable about our city streets and related safety issues and are excited about Vision Zero.

4. HHS Annual Report (Maggie McLoughlin, HHS Director)

- HHS Annual Report: <https://portlandme.portal.civicclerk.com/event/8032/files/attachment/26641>
- Housing & Homelessness
 - HSC
 - More than 100 people were housed from the HSC.
 - 67% living with a disability.
 - Family Shelter
 - 281 people comprising 86 families were sheltered at the family shelter.
 - 266 individuals comprising 77 families housed.
 - 166 Riverside
 - Sheltered 439 clients
 - 167 individuals housed
 - Resettlement
 - Short term case management to 279 families representing 916 individuals.
 - GA
 - Adults 18-50
 - 33 years old on average
 - 78% of applicants were eligible for assistance.
 - 67% of clients need support for 3 months with another drop off at six months.
 - GA is the last safety net, assisting with housing (rent), food, and medications.
 - Rep Payee
 - 160 clients
 - Managed \$2.25 million of clients’ Social Security funds.
- Harm Reduction and Overdose to Action:
 - 30% of people accessing needle exchange are stably housed.
 - Average age of 39.
 - Connected people to services and try to keep people who use substances healthy.
 - Needle exchange helps prevent HIV outbreaks in this and the wider community.
 - People who use the exchange are three times more likely to access recovery options.
 - 235 overdoses were reversed in the community thanks to Narcan training and distribution.
 - Our exchange return ratio is now above 90%
- Disease & Prevention
 - Healthy Eating, Active Learning (HEAL)
 - 2,799 participants over 114 healthy cooking/budgeting classes.
 - Lead Poisoning & Prevention
 - Education to 455 parents and 58 property owners.
 - Tobacco & Substance Use Prevention
 - 95 classes facilitated in Cumberland County school districts.
 - Required annual training to 41 Cannabis establishments.

- Immunization
 - Provided 3,000 vaccines to the community.
- Screening, Prioritization & Urgent Referral (SPUR)
 - 715 unique patients.
- STD Clinic
 - 642 patients
 - 1,380 patient visits
 - 612 Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP) specific visits.
- Community Free Clinic
 - 156 unique patients
 - 511 volunteer hours from 37 healthcare professionals.
- Maternal & Child Health
 - 2,140 Nursing visits
- Health Equity
 - 1,189 clients supported.
- Aging, Older Adults & Disability
 - Barron Center
 - 100% of population is living with a disability
 - 81.8% are on Medicaid.
 - 165 unique residents.
 - 5 star CMS rating
 - Elder Affairs
 - Senior Outreach Nursing Program
 - 500+ served in blood pressure clinics
 - 36 patients had home visits.
 - Adult Day Programs
 - 63 clients
 - 20,000+ hours of daytime care.
- Invested in a Communications position.
- Data Learning Collaborative working to update our data tracking and analysis.

Committee questions and discussion

- Councilor Michniewicz asked what data do we want that we do not have and which programs have the highest return on investment?
 - Demographics that we can cross layer on other City data points; investment in technology will help this and support collaboration with other City programs.
 - Return on investment isn't applicable between program serve critical needs to their target populations/issues.
- Mayor Dion is concerned about syringe litter by continuous reports of needle waste from constituents.
 - He would like an interim report on the buyback program.
 - Some people are experiencing large litter and efforts to curtail are not working in these localized areas people report.
 - Where is collection happening and can it be expanded to these reported problem areas.

- Data from our assessments and from our community partners on syringe litter to have a baseline to compare against for evaluating the impact of our efforts such as the buyback program.
 - If the Committee wills it, we can give another SSP Redemption pilot project which currently has a 92% recovery rate.
- Councilor Pelletier appreciates the responsiveness of adding community sharps boxes.
- Councilor Michniewicz asked about the increased number of syringes as the health outcomes preventing HIV and hepatitis outbreaks,
 - We have a new agreement with the Maine CDC on disease surveillance to try and get sense of impact, however finding causality between these two datasets is difficult.
- Councilor Bullett mentioned LD 1738 is in appropriations which would set up a CDC fund supporting municipal syringe recovery efforts and commended the elder services work, and the accomplishments of getting buy-in from business for age friendly Portland.
- Maine Health is tracking social determinants of health.
- Mayor Dion would like to see coordination between Maine Health and northern light; people are getting discharged from health homes who need support but does not rise to the level Medicaid would pay for.
 - Outreach nursing is supporting the life support side, but the community and isolation needs of our elders.

5. Housing Options for People in Encampments (HOPE) Program Update (Aaron Geyer, Director of Social Services)

- In the Fall of 2023, service providers identified the need to bring services to a subset of the unhoused community who are averse to staying at the shelter.
- 85 enrollments
- 12 shelter placements
- 45 housing placements during a voucher freeze.
- 142 days is the average time it takes program participants to obtain housing.
- Gathering documentation and filling to applications takes time
- HOPE navigators meet weekly for collaboration and find solutions targeted to the individual people the program serves. Each person is engaged with a plan specific and nuanced to each person and their unique circumstances.
- HOPE has housed 5 of the original 2023 by name list created in the ECRT.

The HSC was just inspected and is in full compliance with its management plan.

6. Sprinkler Requirement for Single Family Homes (Chad Johnston, Fire Chief)

- Used to average 1 -2 residential fire deaths outside of a single outlier: the 2014 Noyes Street fire
- There is a huge delta on the costs to install, ranging 1 to 7 dollars per square foot, makes estimating costs difficult.
- There are two levels of licenses for 1 and two family homes; it is fairly easy to achieve through one to two hours of instruction to get certified with the State. Plumbers are able to attain this without much difficulty.
- Trying to hide piping in existing buildings versus new construction is part of the wide price range.

- It is advised to get multiple quotes.
- Fire spread beyond the room of origin is reduced by 94% in a sprinkled building.
- Fire Deaths in sprinkled residential units are only 1% of fire deaths in residences.

Committee questions and discussion

- Are there any incentives to help with the costs of sprinkling residences such as low interest loans?
 - Some insurance companies offer discounts to sprinkled buildings.
- Councilor Michniewicz asked what the cost is to sprinkle: how much is development being suppressed due to cost and how many renovations triggered the 50% rule and how many were ADU related?
- How many units could be created if we aligned with the states more flexible code.
- Councilor Michniewicz discussed hard wired alarms as a requirement that could ease the percentage requirement on sprinkling?
 - Hard wired smoke detectors have been required for ten years.
 - These can be and still are tampered with and add to preventable deaths.

7. Next Meeting: July 8, 2025

Councilor Pelletier moved to adjourn, Councilor Michniewicz seconded; the motion passed 3-0 and the meeting adjourned at approximately 7:33 PM.

Project Timeline

Revised May 1, 2025

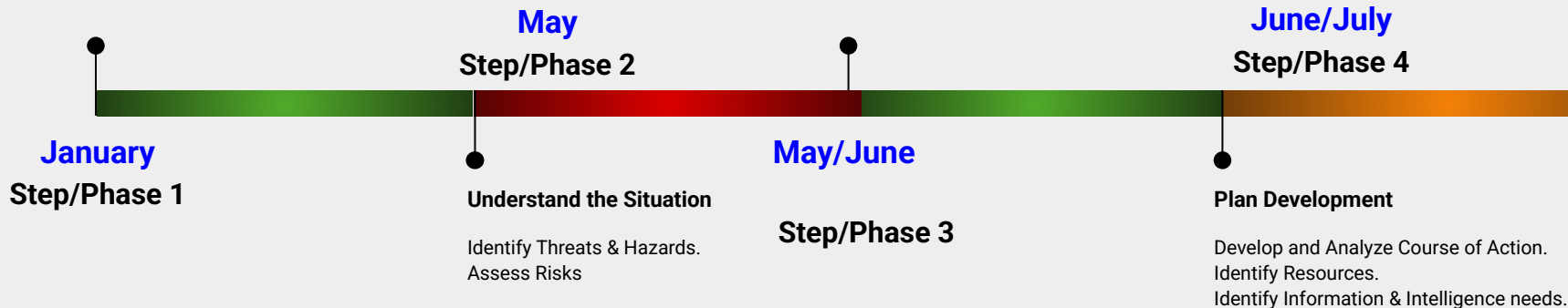


Form a Collaborative Planning Team

Identify Team and engage the whole community in planning process

Determine Goals & Objectives

Determine Operational Priorities.
Set Goals & Objectives.



Project Timeline Cont.

Revised May 1, 2025



Plan Preparation, Approval & Review

Write the Plan.
Review the Plan.
Approve and Disseminate the Plan

Plan Implementation & Maintenance

Exercise the Plan.
Review, Revise and Maintain the Plan



§783. Disaster emergency plan

Each municipality, county and regional emergency management agency shall prepare and keep a current disaster emergency plan for the area subject to its jurisdiction. The plan must be approved by the jurisdiction's governing body. The plan must follow the risk assessment and planning guidance provided by the director under section 704, subsection 10 and address the hazards and threats that pose the greatest risk to the jurisdiction and the capabilities and actions needed to respond to and recover from disasters. [PL 2013, c. 146, §14 (AMD).]

1. Identification of disasters.

[PL 2013, c. 146, §14 (RP).]

2. Action to minimize damage.

[PL 2013, c. 146, §14 (RP).]

3. Personnel, equipment and supplies.

[PL 2013, c. 146, §14 (RP).]

4. Recommendations.

[PL 2013, c. 146, §14 (RP).]

5. Other.

[PL 2013, c. 146, §14 (RP).]

Each municipal, county and regional emergency management agency, as part of the development of a disaster emergency plan for the area subject to its jurisdiction, shall consult as it considers appropriate with institutions, organizations and businesses within its jurisdiction to ensure that the disaster plans developed by the municipality or agency and those institutions, organizations and businesses are compatible. Institutions, organizations and businesses with which the municipality or agency may consult include, but are not limited to, hospitals, schools, health care facilities, group homes, joint use entities as defined in Title 35-A, section 711, subsection 7, paragraph B and day care centers. [PL 2021, c. 154, §2 (AMD).]

SECTION HISTORY

PL 1983, c. 460, §3 (NEW). PL 1987, c. 370, §§17,18 (AMD). PL 2001, c. 614, §§15,16 (AMD). PL 2001, c. 662, §§84,85 (AMD). PL 2003, c. 404, §10 (AMD). PL 2003, c. 510, §A36 (AMD). PL 2013, c. 146, §14 (AMD). PL 2021, c. 154, §2 (AMD).

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ARTICLE VIII. EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

Sec. 2-401. Purpose.

It is the intent and purpose of this article to establish a bureau of emergency preparedness in compliance and in conformity with the provisions of Title 37-B, M.R.S.A., Section 781 et seq., to ensure the complete and efficient utilization of the city's facilities and resources to prevent, prepare and respond to all hazards, natural and manmade, that may occur in the City of Portland and the surrounding region.

(Ord. No. 377-90, 6-6-90; Ord. No. 293-04/05, 6-20-05)

Sec. 2-402. Definitions.

The following definitions shall apply in the interpretation of this article:

Bureau. "Bureau" shall mean the bureau of emergency preparedness as established by this article.

Disaster. "Disaster" means the occurrence or imminent threat of widespread or severe damage, injury or loss of life or property resulting from any natural or man-made cause including, but not limited to, fire, flood, earthquake, wind, storm, wave action, oil spill or other water contamination requiring emergency action to avert danger or damage, epidemic, air contamination, critical material shortage, infestation, explosion or riot.

Emergency preparedness. "emergency preparedness" means the preparation for and the carrying out of all emergency functions, other than

functions for which military forces are primarily responsible, to minimize and repair injury and damage resulting from disasters or catastrophes caused by enemy attacks, sabotage, riots, terrorism or other hostile action, or by fire, flood, earthquake or other natural or man-made causes. These functions include, without limitation, firefighting, police, medical and health, emergency welfare, rescue, engineering, and communications services; evacuation of persons from stricken areas; allocation of critical materials in short supply; emergency transportation; other activities related to civilian protection and other activities necessary to the preparation for the carrying out of these functions.

Emergency Preparedness Forces. "Emergency preparedness forces" shall mean the employees, equipment and facilities of all city departments, boards, institutions and commissions; and in addition, it shall include all volunteer persons, equipment and facilities contributed by or obtained from volunteer persons or agencies.

Fire Chief. "Fire Chief" means the Fire Chief of the City of Portland.

(Ord. No. 377-90, 6-6-90; Ord. No. 293-04/05, 6-20-05)

Sec. 2-403. Organization.

(a) The City Manager shall be responsible for the bureau's organization, administration and operation. The City Manager may employ such permanent or temporary employees as he or she deems necessary and prescribe their duties.

(b) The City Council shall review the existing operational organization to ascertain the bureau's ability to cope with its responsibilities and shall approve the city's emergency preparedness plan.

(Ord. No. 377-90, 6-6-90; Ord. 98-15/16, 11-16-2015)

Sec. 2-404. Appointment of Director of Bureau; duties and responsibilities

The City Manager or his or her designee shall be the Director of the Bureau, and shall coordinate the activities of all city departments, organizations and agencies for emergency preparedness within the city and maintain a liaison with other emergency preparedness agencies, public safety agencies, and have such additional duties as necessary.

(Ord. No. 377-90, 6-6-90; Ord. No. 293-04/05, 6-20-05; Ord. 98-15/16, 11-16-2015)

Sec. 2-405. Rules and regulations.

The Director of the Bureau shall prepare such policies as may be deemed necessary for the administration and operational requirements of the bureau, which policies must be approved by the City Council prior to becoming effective.

(Ord. No. 377-90, 6-6-90; Ord. No. 293-04/05, 6-20-05; Ord. 98-15/16, 11-16-2015)

Sec. 2-406. Emergency proclamation.

(a) The City Manager shall have the power and authority, after consultation with the Mayor, or City Council members in the Mayor's absence, to issue a proclamation that an emergency exists whenever a disaster or civil emergency exists or appears imminent. The proclamation may declare that an emergency exists in any or all sections of the city. If the City Manager is temporarily absent from the City or otherwise unavailable, the Assistant City Manager may issue the proclamation that an emergency exists. If neither the City Manager nor the Assistant City Manager are available, then the

following persons shall have the power and authority to issue a proclamation that an emergency exists, in the following order of succession: the Fire Chief; if unavailable, the Chief of Police; if unavailable, the Director of Public Works. A copy of such proclamation shall be filed within twenty-four (24) hours in the office of the City Clerk.

(b) Notwithstanding the above, when consultation with the Mayor would result in a substantial delay in an effective response in alleviating or preventing an emergency or disaster, the City Manager is authorized to take whatever actions are necessary to prevent the loss of life and property in the City.

(c) The City Manager as the Director of the Bureau shall be responsible for submitting a full report to the City Council of all actions taken as a result of the declared emergency as soon as the City Council can be convened.

(Ord. No. 377-90, 6-6-90; Ord. No. 293-04/05, 6-20-05; Ord. 98-15/16, 11-16-2015; Ord. No. 54-18/19, 9-5-2018)

Sec. 2-407. Termination of emergency.

(a) When the City Manager is satisfied that a disaster or civil emergency no longer exists, he or she shall terminate the emergency proclamation by another proclamation affecting the sections of the city covered by the original proclamation, or any part thereof. Said termination of emergency shall be filed in the office of the City Clerk.

(b) No state of emergency may continue for longer than five (5) days unless renewed by the City Council.

(Ord. No. 377-90, 6-6-90; Ord. No. 293-04/05, 6-20-05; Ord. 98-15/16, 11-16-2015)

Sec. 2-408. City Manager's duties and emergency powers.

(a) During any period when an emergency or disaster exists or appears imminent, the City Manager may promulgate such regulations as he or she deems necessary, and consistent with the purposes of this article, to protect life and property and to preserve critical resources. Such regulations may include, but are not limited to, the following:

(1) Regulations prohibiting or restricting the movement of vehicles in areas within or without the city;

(2) Regulations facilitating or restricting the movement of persons within the city;

(3) Regulations pertaining to the movement of persons from hazardous areas within the city;

(4) Such other regulations necessary to preserve public peace, health and safety.

Nothing in this section shall be construed to limit the authority or responsibility of any department to proceed under powers and authority granted to them by state statute, city ordinance or the charter of the city.

(b) The City Manager or his or her designee may order the evacuation of persons from hazardous areas within the city.

(c) The City Manager shall be authorized to request aid or assistance from the state or any political subdivision of the state and shall render assistance to other political subdivisions under the provisions of Title 37-B, M.R.S.

(d) The City Manager may obtain vital supplies, equipment and other items found lacking and needed for the protection of health, life and property.

(e) The provisions of this section will terminate at the end of the declared emergency.

(Ord. No. 377-90, 6-6-90; Ord. No. 293-04/05, 6-20-05; Ord. 98-15/16, 11-16-2015)

Sec. 2-409. Emergency operational plans.

The Director of the Bureau shall prepare an emergency operational plan for the city, which shall be submitted to the City Council for approval. The emergency plan shall reflect the use of the National Incident Management System (NIMS) as its primary command and control system for all city, county, state and federal agencies.

It shall be the responsibility of all municipal departments and agencies to perform the functions assigned and to maintain their portions of the plan in a current state of readiness. The city plan shall be reviewed periodically by the City Manager in conjunction with all city department heads by his or her authority as the Director of the Bureau.

(Ord. No. 377-90, 6-6-90; Ord. No. 293-04/05, 6-20-05; Ord. 98-15/16, 11-16-2015)

Sec. 2-410. Immunity from liability.

All members of emergency preparedness forces, while engaged in emergency preparedness activities, shall be immune from liability, as set forth in Title 37-B, Section M.R.S. § 822.

(Ord. No. 377-90, 6-6-90; Ord. No. 293-04/05, 6-20-05; Ord. 98-15/16, 11-16-2015)

Sec. 2-411. Compensation for injuries.

All members of emergency preparedness forces shall be deemed to be employees of the state when engaged in training or on duty and shall have all of the rights of state employees under the Workmen's Compensation Act, as set forth in Title 37-B, M.R.S. § 823.

(Ord. No. 377-90, 6-6-90; Ord. No. 293-04/05, 6-20-05; Ord. 98-15/16, 11-16-2015)

Sec. 2-412. Violation of regulations.

It shall be unlawful for any person to violate any provisions of this article or of the regulations or plans issued pursuant to the authority contained herein, or to obstruct, hinder or delay any member of the emergency preparedness organization as herein defined in the enforcement of the provisions of this article or any regulation or plan issued thereunder.

(Ord. No. 377-90, 6-6-90; Ord. No. 293-04/05, 6-20-05)

Sec. 2-413. Penalty.

Any person, firm or corporation violating any provision of this article or any rule or regulation promulgated thereunder, upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) and the costs of prosecution.

(Ord. No. 377-90, 6-6-90)

Sec. 2-414. Severability.

Should any provision of this article be declared invalid for any reason, such declaration shall not affect the validity of other provisions, or of this article as a whole, it being the legislative intent that the provisions of this article shall be severable and remain valid notwithstanding such declaration.

(Ord. No. 377-90, 6-6-90)

Sec. 2-415. Conflicting ordinances, orders, rules and regulations suspended.

At all times when the orders, rules and regulations made and promulgated pursuant to this article shall be in effect, they shall supersede all existing ordinances, orders, rules and regulations, insofar as the latter may be inconsistent herewith.

(Ord. No. 377-90, 6-6-90)

Sec. 2-416. – 2-429. Reserved

Sec. 2-430. Ethics Commission.

a. *Purpose.* The Ethics Commission shall provide impartial oversight and render decisions and advisory opinions to ensure that standards of ethical conduct are observed by City elected and appointed officials and employees. The Ethics Commission shall be an independent body, free from interference from any City elected and appointed officials and employees. The Ethics Commission may request funding from the city

council for independent investigations, legal services, staffing, or other demands pertinent to its mission.

b. *Composition.* There shall be an Ethics Commission composed of seven (7) members. All members shall be appointed to fill at-large seats, and may reside in any part of the City. For the initial appointment of Commission members set out in (c) below, at least three (3) members shall be appointed, to terms of one (1), two (2), and three (3) years.

c. *Appointment; Terms.* For the initial members of the Ethics Commission, two members shall be appointed by the City Council for a term of one (1) year, two members shall be appointed for a term of two (2) years, and three members shall be appointed for a term of three (3) years. Thereafter, the City Council shall appoint members for terms of three (3) years. Such members shall serve until their successors are duly appointed and qualified.

d. *Qualifications.* Members of the Ethics Commission shall be legal residents of the City, having resided in the city for a period of at least the three years immediately preceding the member's appointment. Elected City officials, candidates for any City elected office, City employees, and their immediate family members are not eligible to be appointed as members of the Ethics Commission.

e. *Vacancies.* Permanent vacancies on the Ethics Commission shall be filled by the City Council in the same manner as other appointments hereunder for the unexpired term of the former member.

f. *Removal of Members.* Any member of the Ethics Commission may be removed for cause by the City Council at any time; provided, however, that before any such removal, such member shall be given an opportunity to be heard in their own defense at a public hearing.

g. *Compensation.* Members of the Ethics Commission shall serve without compensation.

h. *Meeting frequency; chair; secretary; minutes, public records.* The Ethics Commission shall meet as needed, but no less than annually. The members of the Ethics Commission shall annually elect one (1) of their members as chair to preside at all meeting and hearings and to fulfill the customary functions of that office. The members of the Ethics Commission also shall annually elect one (1) of their members as

secretary to keep the minutes of the proceedings of the Ethics Commission, showing the vote of each member on every question, or their absence or failure to vote, and to file the same with the City Clerk, who shall maintain the permanent records and decisions of all board meetings, hearings and proceedings, and all correspondence of the Ethics Commission, as required by statute, and to fulfill the customary functions of that office. Except as otherwise provided by State law, such records shall be public records open to inspection during working hours upon reasonable notice.

i. *Quorum and Necessary Vote.* No business shall be transacted by the Ethics Commission without a quorum, consisting of four (4) members being present. The Ethics Commission shall act on matters of routine business by a majority of members present and voting. Matters arising under section (k) and section (l) of this ordinance shall require the affirmative vote of five members of the commission for passage

j. *Conflicts.* No member of the Ethics Commission shall participate in the hearing or disposition of any matter in which the member has an interest. Any question of whether a member has a conflict of interest sufficient for a member to be recused shall be decided by a majority vote of the members present, except the member whose possible conflict is being examined. Where such vote results in a tie, the subject member shall be recused from the matter.

k. *Duties.* In addition to the jurisdiction conferred on it by other sections of this Article and in accordance therewith, the Ethics Commission shall undertake the following duties:

1. Prepare and recommend a Code of Ethics ordinance to the City Council for enactment. The City Council shall, with the recommendation of the Ethics Commission, enact and maintain a Code of Ethics ordinance defining the code of ethical conduct for City elected and appointed officials and employees as required by the City Charter.

2. Review the Ethics Commission and Code of Ethics ordinances not less than once every three (3) years and make recommendations for any amendments to the City Council;

3. Hear complaints and render written decisions with findings of fact regarding alleged violations of the City's Code of Ethics ordinance;

3. Hear and render advisory opinions regarding questions of prospective application of the City's Code of Ethics ordinance;

4. Hear and render advisory opinions regarding questions of the requester's compliance with the City Charter as it relates to the City's Code of Ethics ordinance;

5. Hear and render advisory opinions regarding adherence to City Council and City board and commission ethics rules and procedures as they relate to the City's Code of Ethics ordinance;

6. On receipt of a request from a majority of the City Council or any City board or commission, procure a second legal opinion from outside legal counsel; and

7. Design and oversee evaluations of the City's ethics program, composed of the Code of Ethics Ordinance, the Ethic's Commission's bylaws and policies, and their administration and make recommendations to the City Council regarding such ethics program.

1. *Appointment of Accountability Officer.* The Ethics Commission may recommend that the City Council appoint an Accountability Officer and fund that position pursuant to Article VIII, Section 1-A(c) of the City Charter. The Accountability Officer shall report directly to the City Council.

m. *Meetings, Hearings, and Procedures.*

1. Regular meetings of the Ethics Commission shall be held at the call of the chair or as provided by the rules of the Ethics Commission. Special meetings of the Ethics Commission shall be called by the chair, at the request of any three members of the Commission, or at the request of the City Council. Except as otherwise provided by State and federal law, all meetings and hearings of the Commission shall be open to the public.

2. The Ethics Commission shall adopt its own rules of procedure for the conduct of its business not inconsistent with the statutes of the State of Maine and this Section. Such rules shall be subject to City Council approval and then filed with the secretary and with the City Clerk.

3. Conflicts. No member of the Ethics Commission shall participate in the hearing or disposition of any matter in which they have a direct or indirect pecuniary interest, as

defined by 30-A M.R.S. §2605, as amended, common law, the Code of Ethics, or the Charter.

n. *Complaints; Advisory Opinion Requests; Filing with City Clerk; Public Hearings.*

1. Filing with Corporation Counsel. Complaints alleging violations of the Code of Ethics ordinance and requests for advisory opinions, permitted by this Section, shall be filed with Corporation Counsel pursuant to this Section. Within 14 days receipt of a request pursuant to this section, Corporation Counsel shall make initial determinations as follows: (i) compliance with subsection 8 of this section, and (ii) compliance with subsection 4 of this section. If Corporation Counsel determines the matter is a "personnel matter," the matter shall be redirected to the City Manager, or to the council if the matter regards the City Manager, the Clerk, or the Corporation Counsel. If Corporation Counsel determines the matter is not a "personnel matter," Corporation Counsel shall alert the chair of the Ethics Commission of the filing and shall acknowledge in writing to the complainant or requester the Ethics Commission's receipt of a complaint or request for advisory opinion

2. Complaints. Complaints under (k) (3) above alleging violation of the City's Code of Ethics Ordinance may be filed by any City official or employee, or resident of the city, by the Accountability Officer, or may be initiated by a majority of the membership of the Ethics Commission, in accordance with the process set out herein, provided that complaints regarding City employees' ongoing or prior alleged violations or misconduct shall be referred without Commission investigation or action to the City for appropriate action under State law, its personnel policies and/or collective bargaining agreements as set forth in (n) (4) below.

3. Advisory Opinion Requests. Requests for advisory opinions under (k) (4), (5), or (6) above may only be made by an official or employee of the City and must be made in accordance with the process set out herein. The requester seeking an advisory opinion under (k) (4), (5), or (6) shall first submit a general written statement to Corporation Counsel describing the nature of the matter. Corporation Counsel shall then forward the general written statement to

Corporation Counsel who shall (1) render an initial opinion and provide it to the requester, or (2) if Corporation Counsel determines that the opinion requested is of such a novel and unique question of fact or law as to need an advisory opinion from the Ethics Commission, refer the matter to the Ethics Commission, which shall review the matter at its next available public hearing and render an advisory opinion thereafter. If Corporation Counsel renders an initial opinion, and, after reviewing that opinion, the requester would like the Ethics Commission to also consider the matter, the requester shall submit its written statement and a copy of Corporation Counsel's initial opinion to the Ethics Commission, which shall review the matter at its next available public hearing and render an advisory opinion thereafter.

4. Personnel Matters. Corporation Counsel shall redirect all complaints about or advisory opinions concerning City employees to the City Manager, or to the council if the complaint or advisory opinion regards the City Manager, the Clerk, or the Corporation Counsel, and if the complaint or advisory opinion arises out of alleged conduct covered by the City's personnel policies, employment contracts, and/or collective bargaining agreements. This Determination shall be final and the Ethics Commission shall not receive such complaints or requests.

5. Reserved.

6. Hearings. Within 14 days after the City Clerk's receipt of a complaint or a request for an advisory opinion not redirected pursuant to (n)(4) above, the Chair shall set the date, time, and place of a hearing on complaints and on requests for advisory opinions, advertised and conducted by the Ethics Commission as required by various State and federal laws pursuant to which matters are brought before the Ethics Commission. The hearing, which may be conducted in executive session, shall be conducted in accordance with relevant State and federal law, the City Code, and the rules of the Ethics Commission.

7. Dismissal of certain complaints and advisory opinion requests. If the Ethics Commission finds any complaint or advisory opinion request filed with it to have been based upon allegations it determines to be frivolous,

scurrilous, libelous, unsubstantiated, unfounded, of nuisance, or with malice, it may so determine and may dismiss the complaint without deciding the merits of the complaint and may dismiss the advisory opinion request without issuing an opinion.

8. This Section and the Ethics Commission complaint and advisory opinion process shall protect the identity and rights of complainants, requesters, whistleblowers, and persons complained against in accordance with and as required by all State and federal laws, regulations, codes, municipal ordinances, and policies, including but not limited to the Maine Freedom of Access Act, the Maine Whistleblowers' Act, and the City of Portland's personnel policies.

9. The Ethics Commission shall refer any complaint alleging corruption, fraud, or abuse of a criminal nature to the appropriate law enforcement agency.

10. City Clerk Report. The City Clerk shall compile a master list of all complaints and requests for advisory opinions filed with the City Clerk's office. Such list shall not include complaints or advisory requests redirected pursuant to (n)(4) above, and shall be redacted to protect the identity and rights of complainants, requesters, whistleblowers, and persons complained against in accordance with and as required by all State and federal laws, regulations, codes, municipal ordinances, and policies, including but not limited to the Maine Freedom of Access Act, the Maine Whistleblowers' Act, and the City of Portland's personnel policies. Such report shall initially be given to the chair of the Ethics Commission on a monthly basis, but may be reduced to quarterly at the request of the chair. The chair of the Ethics Commission shall share the report with the rest of the Ethics Commission at its next regularly scheduled meeting.

o. *Decisions and Record.*

1. The Ethics Commission shall decide the complaint or request for an advisory opinion within 30 days after the closing of the hearing unless the complainant and persons complained against agree, or the requester agrees, in writing to extension of that time period.

2. Every Ethics Commission decision on a complaint or advisory opinion shall be in writing and every decision on

a complaint shall include findings of fact and conclusions of law.

3. Corporation Counsel shall mail notice of any decision or advisory opinion of the Ethics Commission to the complainant or requester, and any designated interested parties, within seven (7) days of such decision or opinion.

4. The minutes of the Ethics Commission meetings and hearings; the meeting and hearing transcripts, if these are made; all exhibits, papers, complaints, applications, and requests filed in any proceeding before the Ethics Commission; and the written decision or opinion of the Commission shall constitute the record.

p. *Violations of the Code of Ethics.* Violations of the Code of Ethics ordinance shall be addressed as set out in that ordinance, provided, however, that the Mayor, any City Councilor found by the Ethics Commission to be in violation of or to have violated the Code of Ethics ordinance may only be reprimanded or censured by the City Council after notice and hearing conducted by the City Council.

q. *Severability.* The provisions of this Section and each of its sections, subsections, paragraphs, subparagraphs, sentences and clauses are severable. In the event that any such provision is held to be invalid or unenforceable by any judicial or administrative tribunal, it is the intent of the governing body that all other provisions thereof shall remain in full force and effect.

r. *Effective date.* This Section shall go into effect on March 27, 2025 (30 days after passage).

(Ord. No. 82-24/25, 2-24-25)

2-431-2-435. Reserved.

***Editor's Note:** Article IX, §§2-430--2-435 (Portland's Property Tax Relief Program) was repealed in its entirety due to the Law Court's decision on 2/20/04 finding this Article to be unconstitutional.



Rewriting City Emergency Operations Plan

A Municipal Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) is vital because it helps the city prepare for and respond to emergencies in a coordinated and comprehensive way. The City's existing EOP has not been updated or revised in almost 16 years. Given recent events; police protests, global pandemic, weather events, shootings, etc. updating the EOP should be a top priority for city leadership and the city's Emergency Management Director. It is recommended that an Advisory Committee be established to coordinate input by stakeholders in the preparation, evaluation, and revision of the Emergency Management Program.



Steps for advisory committee updating the Emergency Operations Plan (EOP):

- Put advisory committee together
- Review / evaluate existing EOP
 - Identify what worked well in past emergencies and what didn't. Gather feedback from advisory committee members
- Confirm new plan format
- Review results of CaRAT
- Determine Plan Mission, Operational Priorities, Goals and Objectives
- Prioritize sections of the plan to work on
- Identify Subject Matter Experts
- Clearly define the roles and responsibilities of each department and individual.
- Identify process for plan review and adoption
- Plan update / rewrite
- Review and approve with advisory committee
- City Manager and City Council approval
- Disseminate and implement the plan

- Training and exercise plan, driven by capabilities
- Continuous Improvement: establish a schedule for regular reviews and updates of the EOP. Incorporate lessons learned from drills, exercises, and actual incidents.

Advisory committee will be comprised of department leadership and use other Subject Matter Experts in plan development and review:

- Executive Department (Assistant City Manager, Public Information)
- Fire
- Police
- Public Works
- Health and Human Services (Public Health, Social Services)
- Parks, Recreation, and Facilities (Facilities, Public Assembly Facilities, Forestry)
- IT

After plan is drafted, expand review outside of internal City staff

- County
- Private sector coordination (transportation, PWD, CMP, DOT, etc.)
- Nonprofit and voluntary organizations
- Mutual Aid partners

STEP #	END GOAL	TIMELINE
1	Form a Planning Team <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preferably Dept. Heads • Subject matter experts 	January 20th - 31st
2	Understand the Situation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • THIRA • Capability exercise 	Completed in August 2024
3	Determine Goals and Objectives <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Operational Priorities & Goals 	February 1st - 30th
4	Develop the Plan; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is an existing plan • Develop courses of action and ID gaps or missing components 	January 30th- March 30th
5	Prepare and Review the Plan <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rewrite plan & Review plan • Approve the plan w/ Stakeholders 	May 1st - June 30th 2025
6	Implement and Maintain the Plan <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Training • Exercise the Plan • Evaluate, validate and revise 	August 2025



To: Health & Human Services & Public Safety Committee
Councilor Anna Bullett, Chair

MEETING DATE

July 8, 2025

AGENDA ITEM

Emergency Operations Plan Rewrite Project Update

PURPOSE

This will be a high level update on the project itself, its purpose, adjusted timeline and next steps. This is a communication only so no Committee action is required at this time.

COMMITTEE WORK PLAN/CITY COUNCIL GOAL ALIGNMENT

Per State Statute Title 37-B Sec. 783 and City Ordinance Chapter 2 Article III Emergency Preparedness, Municipal Disaster / Emergency Plans must be in place and approved by the governing body.

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS

A Municipal Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) is vital because it helps the city prepare for and respond to emergencies in a coordinated and comprehensive way. Given recent events; police protests, global pandemic, weather events, shootings, etc. updating the EOP is a top priority for city leadership and the city's Emergency Management Director.

A jurisdiction's EOP is a document that:

- Assigns responsibility to organizations and individuals for carrying out specific actions that exceed routine responsibility at projected times and places during an emergency
- Sets forth lines of authority and organizational relationships and shows how all actions will be coordinated
- Describes how people (including unaccompanied minors, individuals with disabilities, others with access and functional needs, and individuals with limited English proficiency) and property are protected
- Identifies personnel, equipment, facilities, supplies, and other resources available within the jurisdiction or by agreement with other jurisdictions
- Reconciles requirements with other jurisdictions.

An Emergency Management Project Advisory Committee (EMPAC) has been established that consists of several Department Heads to help guide this process through feedback, suggestions, experience and interdepartmental collaboration.

An EOP is flexible enough for use in all emergencies. A complete EOP describes: the purpose of the plan; the situation; assumptions; organization and assignment of responsibilities; administration and logistics; plan development and maintenance; and authorities and references. The EMPAC which has held two meetings so far has recommended developing a Traditional Functional Format which is the most commonly used format and is the format of the existing city's plan.

It has been several years since the plan has been updated.

FISCAL IMPACT

At this time there is no anticipated fiscal impact as this contract work has been budgeted. Potentially some funding might be required to train and exercise the final approved plan in the coming calendar year.

CONCLUSION(S)

N/A

PRIOR COMMITTEE REVIEW

N/A

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City Ordinance Chapter 2 Article III Emergency Preparedness
State Statute Title 37-B Sec. 783
Project Purpose, Steps, and Overview Document
Updated Project Timeline



Staff Memo To:
Health & Human Services & Public Safety Committee
Councilor Anna Bullett, Chair

DATE

July 8, 2025

AGENDA ITEM

Agenda Item #4 - Opioid Settlement Funds Update

PURPOSE

This memo serves as an update to the Health & Human Services and Public Safety (HHSPS) Committee on the progress regarding the allocation of Opioid Settlement Funds.

COMMITTEE WORK PLAN ALIGNMENT

The Committee's 2025 work plan includes consideration of opioid settlement funds allocation as a top priority.

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS

In 2017, Portland joined a nationwide lawsuit against opioid manufacturers to address the opioid epidemic's impact. By September 2024, the City received \$1.38M in settlements, expecting ~\$235,000 annually through FY39, with yearly fluctuations based on settlement agreement disbursements. Following consultations with a variety of stakeholders, including a June 2024 panel before the HHSPS Committee, the City Council allocated \$1.3 in settlement funds on October 21, 2024 to be spent on the following: (1) Syringe Redemption Program, (2) On-peninsula day space, (3) On-peninsula methadone treatment.

The Syringe Redemption Program, launched January 2025, increased syringe returns by 30%+ (\$24,000 spent), with updates to HHSPS Committee most recently given on March 11, 2025, with additional updates planned for September 9, 2025.

The City issued a request for applications (RFA) for on-peninsula methadone treatment providers and day space operators in December 2024. Applicants were encouraged to demonstrate operational sustainability, as there is no commitment for additional funding availability or programming beyond the funds being made available as part of this cycle. A total of five applications were received, four for the MMT program and one for the day space. **The total amount of funds requested across all applicants was \$4,552,705.96 out of a total allocation of \$1.3 million.** The applications were reviewed by a committee of five City of Portland staff, including representatives from Fire, Police, Social Services, and Public Health. Applications were

scored out of 100. Applications were scored on capacity to deliver, range of partnerships/complementary services, readiness of start-up, neighborhood management, financial value, and sustainability.

The scores for the four methadone treatment providers ranged from a high of 56 to a low of 41. Three of the applicants did not have a brick and mortar location identified and the fourth applicant referred to plans to establish an on-peninsula facility in 2025, meeting the goals for on-peninsula treatment without additional City funds. Additionally, the scoring committee noted there was insufficient planning around neighborhood impact mitigation amongst applications for mobile MMT provision.

One applicant responded to the call for day space operators and received an application score of 53. The RFA explicitly noted a preference for operators that were able to identify and utilize existing available space, as well as demonstrate sustainability of funding in future years, given the limited availability of opioid settlement funds. The applicant did not have existing facilities and proposed using the 14 Baxter Boulevard location, which the RFA had suggested may be used as a location pending lease negotiations with the property owner. This property is owned by the Portland Housing Authority under a Declaration of Trust (DOT) from the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and therefore any change of use is subject to HUD approval. This property would be available for only a limited period (three years or less). Through the review and refinement of the day space application the following key factors emerged:

- **Program sustainability-** The Baxter Blvd location's availability is limited to an anticipated three years. Future funding potential from OSF is limited at less than \$240,000/annually. As such the benefit to the City and the targeted population of people affected by Opioid Use Disorder is time limited and there is no clear alternative or future location by which to continue this program.
- **Funding-** After detailed review of programming and operational needs, staff are concerned about an operator's ability operate a safe, effective day space with the available funding. Specifically, this budget did not sufficiently support staffing at the levels needed to meet the priorities outlined in the RFA, including neighborhood management and supportive services on site.

Conclusion

Since the Council's direction regarding the allocation and use of opioid settlement funds in October 2024, there have been significant shifts in the funding landscape for core services that address the opioid epidemic. Various iterations of the Federal Budget drafts have included the elimination of a key funder (the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration), potential impacts on Medicaid eligibility affecting recovery and treatment access, cuts to housing vouchers, harm reduction, etc. These are core priorities that were listed by individuals with lived experience, providers, and staff. Changes to longstanding funding for these services may significantly alter the landscape of unmet needs in the community. Investing the vast bulk of our received OSF in an initiative that will not continue beyond two years may not meet the changing

needs that are still emerging in response to the federal budget cuts to the sector. Staff recommend the following options:

- **Continue funding the syringe redemption program**- The program has been the strongest factor in reducing the number of improperly disposed syringes. At a cost of less than \$75,000 annually (less than 6% of total available settlement funds), it represents a significant public benefit. Staff recommend continuing to fund this program through FY27 with opioid settlement funds.
- **Reserve funding to preserve core services for individuals affected by SUD**- As noted above, funding for the existing services and programs that support individuals affected by SUD are under threat. However, the FY26 Federal budget is still pending, and as such, the full trickle down effects on states and municipalities remains uncertain. The City recommends re-evaluating the use of the OSF pending these changes in order to reserve funding to preserve core programs and services provided by the City and partners. To move this forward, following budget processes, staff could provide an analysis of sector impacts and optional directions to the committee for deliberation.
- **Explore alternative models for the day space**- This would include exploration of alternative solutions for the day space that may reflect changes in anticipated scale, partnership structure, and/or location.
- **Consider reallocation of the funds to support a warming shelter** - As noted in the April 2025 Warming/Cooling Center memo, the primary barrier to provision of on-peninsula warming shelter for the unsheltered population is driven by lack of access to a suitable facility. The City could consider making funds available to a private operator interested in establishing a warming center in Winter 2025-2026.

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ATTACHMENTS

- HHSPS Panel Discussion and Abatement Memo (June 2024)- [link](#)
- OSF Review of Initial Recommendations (July 2024)- [link](#)
- Allocating OSF Memo (Sept. 2024)- [link](#)
- Council Allocation (Oct. 2024)- [link](#)
- SSP & RFA Update (March 2025)- [link](#)
- Warming/Cooling Center memo (April 2025)- [link](#)



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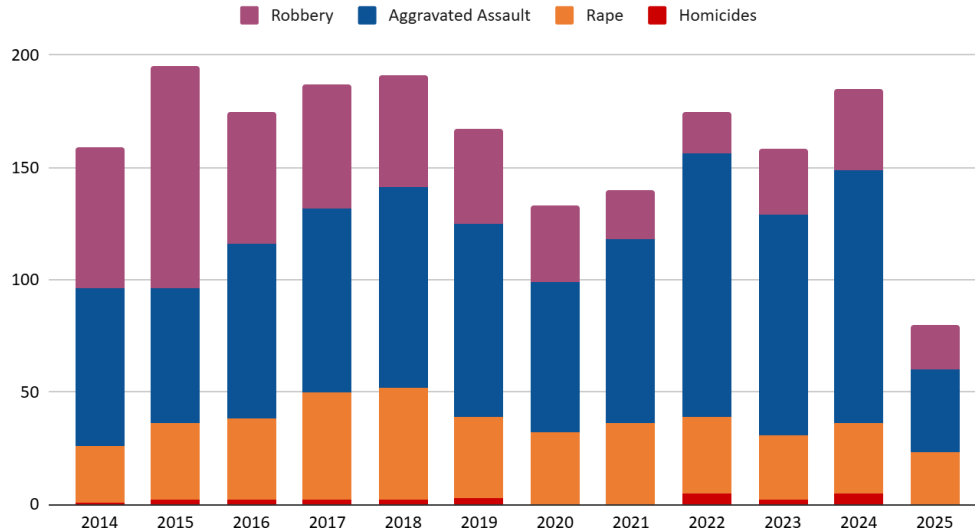
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Crime Trends and Analysis

Violent Crime by Year

Violent Crime by Year



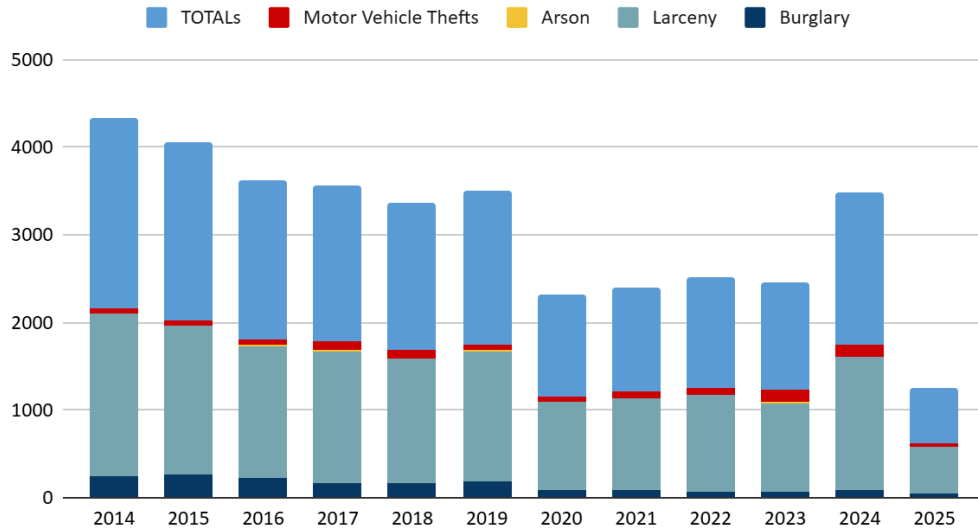
January-June 2025 Update

- Violent crime totals appear to be trending downward in 2025 YTD, though the year is only halfway complete.
- This is true in each crime category. This is the first time since 2021, without a homicide in the first 6 months of the year.
- If current trends hold, 2025 could end with the lowest total violent crimes in the past three years.

Crime Trends and Analysis

Property Crime by Year

Property Crime by Year



January-June 2025 Update

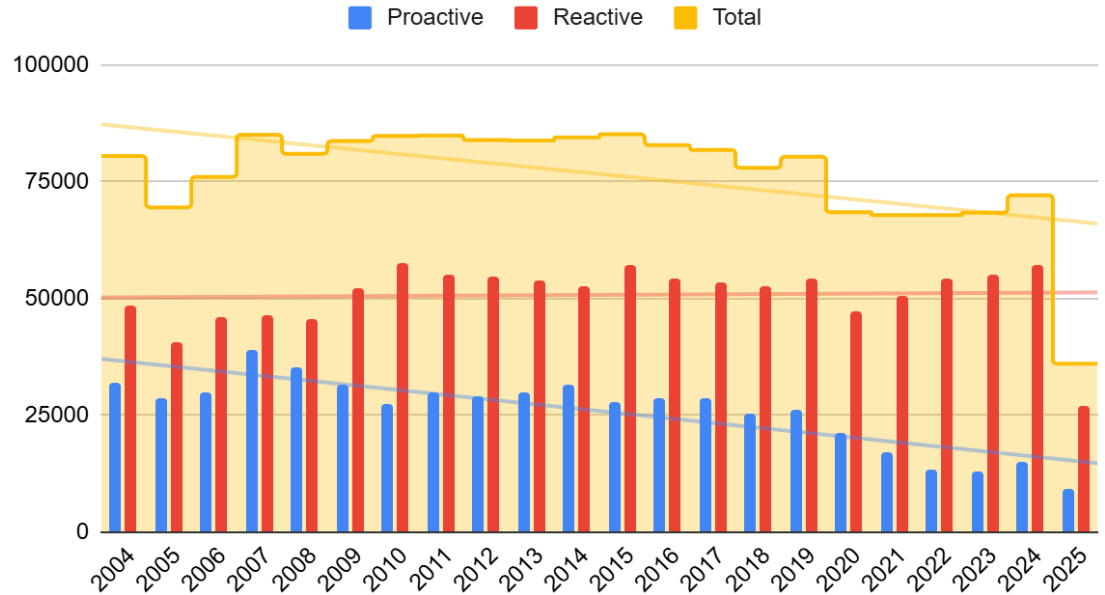
- Midway through 2025, some categories are trending lower, but totals are on track to potentially match or exceed previous years.
- After a 48% increase from 2023 to 2024, burglary numbers remain high in 2025, and could surpass 2024 if the pace continues.
- Larceny and Motor Vehicle theft, which both increased in 2024, seem to be stabilizing mid-year with a potential to decrease.

Crime Trends and Analysis: Calls for Service

Calls for Service (CFS) are classified as Proactive and Reactive.

- **Reactive** - initiated by member of public usually via 911 or non-emergency line; this type of call has been generally increasing over the last 20 years.
- **Proactive** - Officer initiated engagements or actions have been declining since 2014 due mostly to reduced staffing.

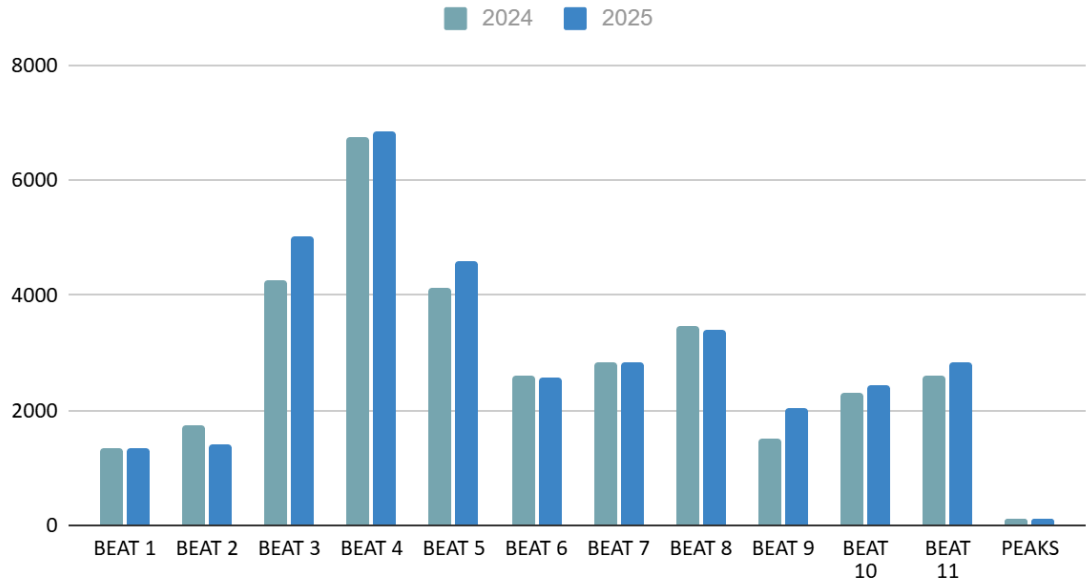
Proactive vs Reactive CFS



Crime Trends and Analysis - Calls for Service

- Calls for service have remained consistent in their distribution across beats.
- There has been a slight increase in total calls compared to the first half of 2024.
 - 2024: 34,175
 - 2025: 35,994
- Beat 4 (Bayside) continues to have the highest call volume, followed by Beat 3 (Old Port/Downtown) and Beat 5 (West End).

Calls for Service by Beat (January - June)



Calls For Service

January-June
2024

	<i>CALLS FOR SERVICE</i>
1	Person(s) Bothering
2	Motor Vehicle Stop
3	Burglary Alarm
4	Check Well Being
5	Suspicious Activity

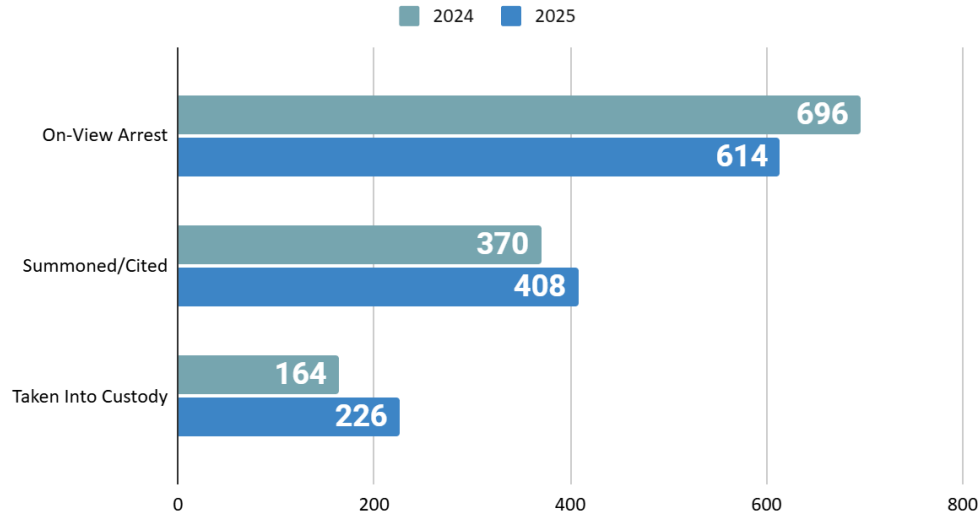
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2025

	<i>CALLS FOR SERVICE</i>
1	Person(s) Bothering
2	Motor Vehicle Stop
3	Special Attention Check
4	Pedestrian Check
5	Check Well Being

- Person(s) Bothering continues to be the most frequent call type, indicating ongoing concerns with disturbances, loitering, and/or criminal trespass.
- Three of the top 5 call types are officer initiated, reflecting a more proactive policing approach.

Arrests

Arrest Totals (January-June)

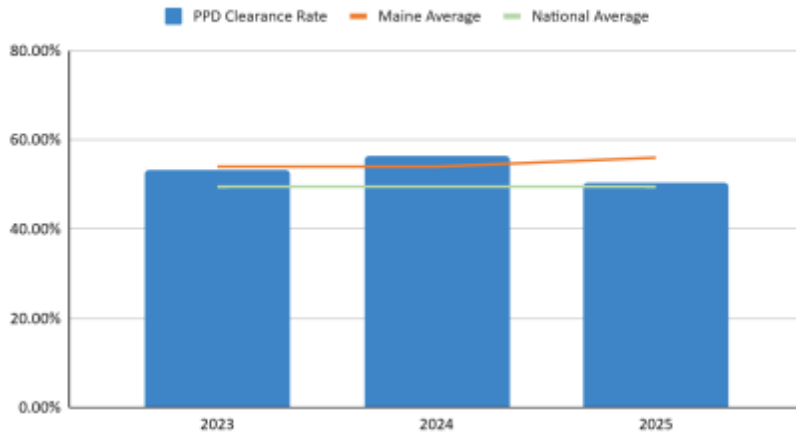


- There is no major change in overall arrests in the first half of 2024 compared to 2025.
- The top five charges in the first 6 months of the 2025
 - Violating Conditions of Release
 - Warrants
 - Possession/Trafficking of Drugs
 - Criminal Trespass
 - Assault

Clearance Rates

Crimes Against

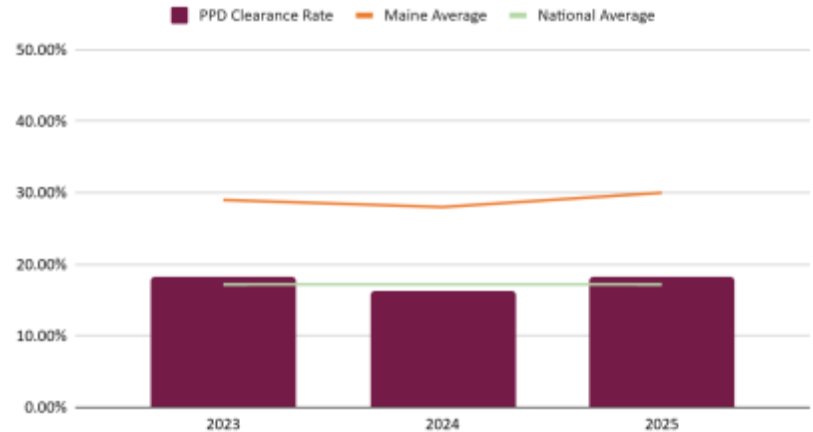
Clearance Rates (2023-2025) Compared to State Average



- Portland's clearance rate for crime against people has stayed above 50% for the last three years, putting it slightly ahead of the national average.
- Portland's property crime clearance rate remains just above the national average but below the state average. This gap may be due to the higher volume of serious calls handled in Portland compared to other areas of the state, combined with the impact of ongoing staffing shortages.

Crimes Against

Clearance Rates (2023-2025) Compared to State Average





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