

*Port of Vancouver USA*  
*Board of Commissioners Meeting*  
DECEMBER 10, 2024



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# *Open Forum*

To provide virtual oral comment during the board meeting, you must register no later than 12:00 p.m. Monday, December 9, 2024, by emailing [povcommissioners@portvanusa.com](mailto:povcommissioners@portvanusa.com)



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# *Action Items*



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## *Action Item E-1*

Approve Resolution 7-2024: Sell and Convey Port Property





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## *Action Item E-2*

Approve 2025 Chief Executive Officer Compensation



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## *Action Item E-3*

Approve Public Works Contract for Bid 24-54:  
EV Chargers



## EV Charger Locations

- North Admin 3101
- Terminal Ops 3120
- Maintenance 3205

Location 1 - Building 3205  
(6) L2 chargers: 12 plugs, D.O.C. Grant  
(1) L3 charger

Location 2 - Building 3205  
(2) L2 chargers: 4 plugs, D.O.C. Grant

Location 3 - Building 3120  
(2) L2 chargers: 4 plugs, D.O.C. Grant

Location 4 - Building 3101  
(3) L2 Chargers: 4 plugs  
(1) L3 charger: 1 plug, D.O.C. & CPU Grant



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## *Action Item E-4*

Approve Resolution Supporting Replacement of the Interstate 5 Bridge over the Columbia River





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# *Unfinished Business*

PORT CONTRACTS LOGS



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# *New Business*



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# *Accounts Payable*





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# *CEO Report*



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# *CEO Report I-1*

## Project Updates



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# *Terminal 1 Dock Bulkhead Wall Project*

CONTRACTOR: ADVANCED AMERICAN



- Project 70% Complete
- Predrilling Operation Complete





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# *Terminal 1 Dock Bulkhead Wall Project*

CONTRACTOR: ADVANCED AMERICAN



- Ground Stabilization 80% Complete
- Slope Regrading 45% Complete



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# *Terminal 1 Dock Bulkhead Wall Project*

CONTRACTOR: ADVANCED AMERICAN



- Rock Blanket Installation





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# *Terminal 1 Dock Bulkhead Wall Project*

CONTRACTOR: ADVANCED AMERICAN



- Wall Drain Installation
- Wall Outfall Installation



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# *Terminal 1 Dock Bulkhead Wall Project*

CONTRACTOR: ADVANCED AMERICAN



- Concrete Cap
- Shoring Bracket Installation
- Soffit Formwork
- Steel Reinforcement Work





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# *Terminal 3 Drainage Upgrades*

CONTRACTOR: TAPANI INC.



- Excavation For the New Drainage Pipe





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# *Terminal 3 Drainage Upgrades*

CONTRACTOR: TAPANI INC.



- Installation Of the Trench Drain





# *Terminal 3 Drainage Upgrades*

CONTRACTOR: TAPANI INC.



- Concrete Poured Around the New Trench Drain and Catch Basin





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# *Terminal 3 Drainage Upgrades*

CONTRACTOR: TAPANI INC.



- Compaction Efforts and Trench Patch Preparation Work for New Asphalt





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# *Terminal 3 Drainage Upgrades*

CONTRACTOR: TAPANI INC.



- New Curb Installed with New Trench Patch in The Background
- Project 100% Complete



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# *Building 3209 Office Demo and Warehouse Improvements*

CONTRACTOR: CEDAR MILLS CONSTRUCTION



- Structural Steel Installed





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# *Building 3209 Office Demo and Warehouse Improvements*

CONTRACTOR: CEDAR MILLS CONSTRUCTION



- Overhead Door Installed



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# *Building 3209 Office Demo and Warehouse Improvements*

CONTRACTOR: CEDAR MILLS CONSTRUCTION



- Final Siding Being Installed
- Project 95% Complete



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# *CEO Report I-2*

Legislative Update







# 2025 Session Preview

Port of Vancouver  
Commission Meeting

*December 10, 2025*

# Election Results

- Trifecta, Triplex, and 60% Supermajority
  - 59/39 HOUSE
  - 30/19 SENATE
- 17 New House Members
- 8 House to Senate
- 4 New Senators
  - 18<sup>th</sup>/Cortes
  - 26<sup>th</sup>/TBD (Randall/Congress)
  - 33<sup>rd</sup>/ TBD (Keiser/Retiring)
  - 48<sup>th</sup>/TBD (Kuderer/OIC)



# Session Dynamics

- 105 Days
- \$10 billion deficit (Nov 20 Revenue Forecast)
  - \$72 billion biennium budget spending levels
- Final Inslee budget mid-December
- Budget cut agency contingency plans (3-7%)

***“We will face significant challenges in meeting all of our obligations in our next budget. There are some tough fiscal choices ahead.”***

OFM Director, Pat Sullivan



# Transition & Reorganization

70% turnover from  
Inslee

Ferguson  
Transition Team  
Announced

9 State agency  
director  
replacements

Sworn in on  
January 15

New Senate D  
leadership

Senate R  
committee  
assignments  
pending



Governor-elect  
**Bob Ferguson**

<https://washington.attract.neogov.com/gov-transition-team> -

# House Leadership Appointments

## HOUSE DEMOCRATS

- Speaker – Jinkins
- Speaker pro tempore - Stearns
- Majority Leader – Fitzgibbon
- Caucus Chair – Ortiz-Self
- Floor Leader – Stonier
- Whip - Ramel

## HOUSE REPUBLICANS

- Minority Leader – Stokesbary
- Deputy Leader – Corry
- Caucus Chair – Abbarno
- Whip – Griffey
- Floor Leader – Connors
- Asst Floor Leader – Rude & Couture

# Senate D Committee Assignments

## Cleveland D-49

- Chair, Health & Long-Term Care
- Ranking Operating, Ways & Means
- Rules

## Cortes D-18

- Vice Chair, Business, Financial Services, and Trade
- Early Learning & K-12 Education
- Transportation



# Session Cutoff Calendar

- January 13, Session begins
- February 21, Policy committee cutoff
- February 28, Fiscal committee cutoff
- March 12, House of origin (5 PM)
- **MARCH 20 REVENUE FORECAST**
- April 2, Opposite policy committee
- April 8, Opposite Fiscal committee
- April 16, Opposite House (5 PM)
- April 27, Sine Die

2025 Session Cutoff Calendar		
	Date	Day of Session
January	13	Mon
	14	Tue
	15	Wed
	16	Thurs
	17	Fri
	18	Sat
	19	Sun
	20	Mon
	21	Tue
	22	Wed
	23	Thurs
	24	Fri
	25	Sat
	26	Sun
February	27	Mon
	28	Tue
	29	Wed
	30	Thurs
	1	Fri
	2	Sat
	3	Sun
	4	Mon
	5	Tue
	6	Wed
	7	Thurs
	8	Fri
	9	Sat
	10	Sun
March	11	Mon
	12	Tue
	13	Wed
	14	Thurs
	15	Fri
	16	Sat
	17	Sun
	18	Mon
	19	Tue
	20	Wed
	21	Thurs
	22	Fri
	23	Sat
	24	Sun
April	25	Mon
	26	Tue
	27	Wed
	28	Thurs
	29	Fri
	30	Sat
	1	Sun
	2	Mon
	3	Tue
	4	Wed
	5	Thurs
	6	Fri
	7	Sat
	8	Sun

← First day of session.

← Policy Committee Cutoff. Last day to read in committee reports in House of origin, except House Social Committee and Senate Ways & Means and Transportation committees.

← Fiscal Committee Cutoff. Last day to read in committee reports from House Social Committee and Senate Ways & Means and Transportation committees in House of origin.

← House of Origin Cutoff. Last day to consider bills in House of origin (5 p.m.).

← Opposite Policy Committee Cutoff. Opposite House. Last day to read in committee reports from opposite House, except House Social Committee and Senate Ways & Means and Transportation committees.

← Opposite Fiscal Committee Cutoff. Opposite House. Last day to read in committee reports from opposite House Social Committee and Senate Ways & Means and Transportation committees.

← Opposite House Cutoff. Last day to consider opposite House bills (5 p.m.) (except resolutions and alternatives to resolutions, motions necessary to implement resolutions, motions that affect House revenue, expenditures, if otherwise, and business related to the interest in closing the session).

← Sine Die. Last day allowed for regular session under the rules constitution.

\* After 5:00 p.m. on the 5th day of session and thereafter in 15-minute intervals and minutes necessary for adjournment, adjournment shall be taken at the discretion of the Speaker or his/her successor between the two Houses, and adjournment shall be taken at the closing of the session day to conclude the session.

The Governor has 10 days if the Legislature is still in session, or 20 days if the Legislature has adjourned, to take action on any bill passed by the Legislature.

# POV Top Priorities

## I-5 Bridge

Emphasize freight mobility, economic development, and tourism in the Columbia River I-5 Bridge Replacement Project (IBRP) while increasing safety and addressing seismic issues. Protect the Move Ahead Transportation Package investment to continue progress to replace the Columbia River I-5 bridge.

## Substation Planning

Secure funding for substation planning to establish sustainable solutions for uninterrupted electrical service and help reach emission reduction goals (\$150,000).

## T-1 Public Market

Continue support for the Terminal 1 Public Market to ensure the waterfront development project is completed.

## TIF

Maintain the Tax Increment Financing law as a viable economic development tool for ports.



# Economic Development

- Protect, preserve, and promote access to ports, essential public facilities, and industrial lands that support Washington's trade-based, commercial, and regional economies.
- Support legislation and program funding (e.g., CERB) that increase tourism, manufacturing, trade, and industrial development.
- Protect marine navigation corridors, which are key to the economy and jobs.
- Ensure availability and reliability of low-cost energy options to maintain competitiveness.
- Increase career-connected learning opportunities, internships, and apprenticeship programs for ports.



# Environmental Policy

*“I will direct state agencies to waive all fees if they fail to deliver permits on time, incentivizing quicker permitting...This will be one of my first executive orders as Governor.”*

**Governor-Elect Ferguson**

- Establish grants that incentivize ports and their partners to become more environmentally sustainable and efficient.
- Provide greater certainty and timeliness in permitting decisions and environmental reviews.
- Protect funds in the Model Toxics Control Account for cleanup activities.
- Support efforts to address climate change and transition to a renewable energy economy by providing financial assistance for ports to implement climate change plans and develop clean energy options.

# Freight Infrastructure



- Promote SW Washington transportation projects that facilitate freight movement, economic development, and job growth and address critical chokepoints and grade separation.
- Support infrastructure improvements to the Fruit Valley Freight Access and Safety Improvements Project and environmental review for a new north-south freight arterial (\$125 million).
- Support efforts to close transportation funding gaps and meet freight mobility needs throughout Washington State.
- Support Columbia River ports' efforts to maintain a 43' shipping channel.
- Promote a high, wide, and heavy corridor through the Columbia River region and support funding for its planning and construction.
- Support reliable freight funding for infrastructure and construction programs.
- Support tax incentives for ports to maintain, preserve, and invest in rail infrastructure.

# Questions?

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# *CEO Report*



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# *Commissioners Reports*



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## *Upcoming Events*

### **Next Commission Meeting**

- Regular Commission Meeting – Tuesday, December 24, 9:30 a.m.

### **Community Events**

- View the Christmas Ships on the Columbia Gorge Sternwheeler - Docking at Terminal 1 on December 10, 13, 17, and 20. Board at 5:30 p.m. and return at 9:00 p.m. The cruise offers hot beverages, snacks, and a bar for adults. All ages are welcome. This is a ticketed event; for tickets, visit [www.sternwheeler.com](http://www.sternwheeler.com)
- View the Christmas ships from the Vancouver waterfront - December 10, 13, and 17.
- Kids Holiday Market at the Vancouver Farmers Market - Saturday, December 14, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Come shop from 30-local kid artisans. Alpaca petting zoo, photos with Santa, hot cocoa, and kids' crafts at the Slocum House. No fee to attend.
- Kwanzaa celebration - Saturday, December 14, 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m., Clark County Event Center at the Fairgrounds. Enjoy music, dance, art, food, and a celebration of community and culture. Information and tickets at [www.pddb.org](http://www.pddb.org)
- Christmas on Franklin Street - 8 properties at 4616 NW Franklin, free event. View 200,000 lights, Frozen, Mickey & Friends, Santa and Grinch visits, "snow fall", live music on December 21. Full schedule at [www.holidaysonfranklin.com](http://www.holidaysonfranklin.com)



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## *Communicating with the Commission*

- Share your thoughts during Open Forum, the public comment period for all regularly scheduled commission meetings.
- Email the commissioners at [povcommissioners@portvanusa.com](mailto:povcommissioners@portvanusa.com)
- Speak to the commissioners by calling the port office at 360-693-3611 for specific contact information.
- Mail your comments to:  
POV Board of Commissioners  
3103 NW Lower River Road, Vancouver, WA 98660
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