



PORT of OLYMPIA
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Commission Committee Assignments

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Executive Director
January 12, 2026

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Today's Presentation

Action/Other Item – Approval Requested

- Approval of Commissioner Committee Assignments for 2026.

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Background

Port Commissioners Serve on the following Committees

Entity/Group/Board	Scheduled Meeting	2025 Commission Assignments	Port Staff	Presumptive Assignment
*Visitors Convention Bureau (VCB)	Monthly 3 rd Tuesday 3:30 PM	Commissioner Harding	Mike Reid	
Thurston County Chamber	Monthly 2 nd Wednesday 11:30 AM	Commissioner Montano	Mike Reid	
*Transportation Policy Board	Monthly 2 nd Wednesday 7:00 AM	Commissioner Iyall	Warren Hendrickson	
*Solid Waste Advisory Committee	Monthly 1 st Wednesday at 10:00 AM	Commissioner Iyall	Shawn Gilbertson	
Tenino Chamber	Monthly 3 rd Wednesday 11:30 AM	Commissioner Sanders	Mike Reid	District 4 Commissioner
*Economic Development Council	Monthly 4 th Wednesday 12:00 PM	Commissioner Vasavada	Mike Reid	Commissioner Vasavada
Yelm Chamber	Monthly 2 nd Tuesday 11:30 AM	Commissioner Iyall	Mike Reid	District 2 Commissioner
Lacey Chamber	Monthly 1 st Wednesday 11:30 AM	Commissioner Montano	Mike Reid	District 5 Commissioner
Makers Space	Scheduled As Needed	Commissioner Montano	Afsin Yilmaz	District 5 Commissioner
*Thurston Regional Planning Council	Monthly 1 st Friday 8:30 AM	Commissioner Harding	Warren Hendrickson	

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Background (cont'd)

Port Commissioners Serve on the following Committees

Entity/Group/Board	Scheduled Meeting	Commissioner Assigned in 2025	Port Staff Support	Commissioner Assigned in 2026
*Capital Lake-Deschutes Estuary Executive Work Group	Scheduled Quarterly	Commissioner Sanders	Shawn Gilbertson	
*Sea Level Rise Collaborative: Executive Committee	Scheduled Quarterly	Commissioner Vasavada Commissioner Sanders	Jon Wolf Shawn Gilbertson	
Tumwater Chamber	Monthly 3 rd Wednesday at 11:30 PM	Commissioner Harding	Chris Paolini	District 3 Commissioner District 4 Commissioner
Grand Mound Rochester Chamber	Monthly 1 st Wednesday at 12:00 PM	Commissioner Sanders	Mike Reid	
**South Thurston Economic Development Initiative (STEDI)	Monthly 3 rd Friday 8 am	Commissioner Sanders President,	Mike Reid	District 4 Commissioner
*Washington Public Ports Association Trustee	Two Annual Meetings & As Needed	Commissioner Vasavada	N/A	Commission President
JBLM Community Connector	Scheduled As Needed	Commissioner Iyall	Warren Hendrickson	
POCAC Representative	Third Tuesday of Each Month at 4:00 p.m.	N/A	Alex Smith	

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Background (cont'd)

Commission Committee Assignments

- Organizations asked that Commissioners serve on their Committees for several years, if not their full term.
- The following Committees require consistent Commissioner participation:
 - Visitors Convention Bureau
 - Transportation Policy Board
 - Solid Waste Advisory Committee
 - Economic Development Council
 - Thurston Regional Planning Council
 - Capital Lake/Deschutes Estuary Executive Work Group
 - Sea Level Rise Collaborative Executive Committee
 - Washington Public Ports Association Trustee
 - South Thurston Economic Development Initiative

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Questions and Comments

Suggested Motion...

"...move to approve the 2026 Commission Committee Assignments as agreed to at today's January 12, 2026, regular Commission Meeting."

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