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## NEIGHBORHOOD MEETINGS

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### Overview

Portland Public Library will be hosting six neighborhood meetings this fall as part of its ongoing planning process. The meetings are designed to share basic Library information, give the status of current Library planning and projects and to hear comments from Portland citizens to inform ongoing Library direction. The Library has just completed its second consecutive year of record lending and is raising funds for a renovation of its major facility on Monument Square.

### Format

Nathan Smith, Chair of the Planning Committee of the Portland Public Library, will facilitate the sessions. A number of Library Trustees will be present at each meeting. Each meeting will begin with a 10 – 15 minute introduction of the Library by Steve Podgajny, Executive Director. An open comment and question period will follow with a summation by Nathan Smith. The gatherings are scheduled for 90 minutes and citizens are encouraged to attend any and all meetings.

### Dates & Locations

Tuesday, September 16<sup>th</sup>, 7:00pm, Peaks Island Community Room (129 Island Avenue)  
Tuesday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 7:00pm, Reiche Community Center (166 Brackett Street)  
Tuesday, September 30<sup>th</sup>, 7:00pm, Deering High School Cafeteria (370 Stevens Avenue)  
Tuesday, October 7<sup>th</sup>, 7:00pm, Riverton Community Center (1600 Forest Avenue)  
Tuesday, October 14<sup>th</sup>, 7:00pm, East End Community School (195 North Street)

There will be a final, all neighborhood meeting on Wednesday, November 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm at the Main Library located at 5 Monument Square

### Outcome

The Portland Public Library Planning Committee will be responsible for digesting the comments and insights received during the neighborhood meetings and presenting a summary at all Neighborhood Association meeting on November 5<sup>th</sup>. The information gathered will help inform Library decisions on all matters including responses to the FY 09-10 budget and long term planning.

### For More Information:

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