

# Memorandum

PREPARED FOR: Senate Committee on Rules and  
Executive Appointments

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BY: Leslie Porter, Legislative Analyst

RE: Legislative Review of Executive Appointments



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## **LANE TRANSIT DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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The Governor has appointed the following individuals to the Lane Transit District Board of Directors, subject to Senate confirmation:<sup>1</sup>

### **Reappointees**

Susan Cox of Eugene

Michelle Webber of Springfield

### **Terms**

January 1, 2025 – December 31, 2028

### **Statutory Authority**

[ORS 267.090 \(2023\)](#).

### **Statement of Economic Interest<sup>2</sup>**

Required.

### **Composition<sup>3</sup>**

The board consists of seven appointees, including<sup>4</sup>

- one resident each from seven subdistricts:
  - Subdistrict 1 (GRIMALDI);
  - Subdistrict 2 (**WEBBER**);
  - Subdistrict 3 (MURPHY);
  - Subdistrict 4 (SUTHERLAND);
  - Subdistrict 5 (KNOX);
  - Subdistrict 6 (GREEN); and
  - Subdistrict 7 (**COX**).

At least one must regularly user mass transit. Appointees serve four-year terms. Before nominating an appointee, the Governor must solicit recommendations from qualified individuals in each city and county within the applicable subdistrict. The board selects its officers for two-year terms, and regular meetings are held monthly.

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<sup>1</sup> [Or. Const. art. III, §4](#); [ORS 171.562 and 171.565 \(2023\)](#).

<sup>2</sup> [ORS 244.050 \(2023\)](#).

<sup>3</sup> [ORS 182.100 \(2023\)](#) for affirmative action policy; [ORS 236.115 \(2021\)](#) for diversity criteria.

<sup>4</sup> [ORS 267.090 through 267.120 \(2023\)](#)

## Duties<sup>5</sup>

The Lane Transit District Board provides policy direction and collaborates with local elected officials on regional transportation planning. Its duties include

- purchasing or leasing motor vehicles capable of using alternative fuel and reporting annually to the Department of Environmental Quality and the Department of Energy on alternative fuel vehicles and alternative fuels used;
- appointing a general manager to manage operations and enforce ordinances;
- making annual determinations concerning the territory in the district within which the transit system will operate;
- maintaining a general plan for mass transit operations;
- enacting ordinances relating to the protection, use and enjoyment of district property and facilities, and appointing peace officers for enforcement;
- calling elections to refer ordinances to district voters;
- designating territory that is benefited by the mass transit system as a service area and amending boundaries to conform to changes in service; and
- financing a mass transit system.

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<sup>5</sup> Mass Transit Districts are municipal corporations treated as local governments. The governing body of the most populous city in a metropolitan statistical area may propose creating a mass transit district if it finds that needs cannot be met by local transit operations. Once a mass transit district has been formed, the Governor appoints board members. The territorial boundaries of a mass transit district include, at a minimum, the territory within the urban growth boundary of the city that proposed the creation of the district. [ORS 267.030 to 267.210 \(2023\)](#); Lane Transit District website, <<https://www.ltd.org/about-us/>> (last visited November 21, 2024).



## Lane Transit District Board

Agency: **Other**

Authorization: **ORS 267.090**

Min Members: **7** Max Members: **7**

Term Length: **4** Term Limit: **2**

Senate Confirmation Required?: **Yes**

Policy Area: **Transportation & Infrastructure**

Board Admin: **AJ Jackson**

Address:

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**Eugene, OR 97403**

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## Current Appointments

<b>Knox, Peter "Pete" R</b> Subdistrict 5 Position Number: <b>5</b>	Term(s): <b>1/1/2022 - 12/31/2025</b> <b>10/1/2021 - 12/31/2021</b>
<b>Mr Grimaldi, Gino C</b> Subdistrict 1 Position Number: <b>1</b>	Term(s): <b>1/1/2022 - 12/31/2025</b> <b>10/1/2021 - 12/31/2021</b>
<b>Webber, Michelle R</b> Subdistrict 2 Position Number: <b>2</b>	Term(s): <b>1/1/2025 - 12/31/2028</b> <b>3/1/2021 - 12/31/2024</b>
<b>Murphy, Heather</b> Subdistrict 3 Position Number: <b>3</b>	Term(s): <b>1/1/2023 - 12/31/2026</b>
<b>Sutherland, Kelly</b> Subdistrict 4 Position Number: <b>4</b>	Term(s): <b>1/1/2023 - 12/31/2026</b>
<b>Green, Lawrence</b> Subdistrict 6 Position Number: <b>6</b>	Term(s): <b>1/1/2023 - 12/31/2026</b>
<b>Ms Cox, Susan S</b> Subdistrict 7 Position Number: <b>7</b>	Term(s): <b>1/1/2025 - 12/31/2028</b> <b>3/1/2021 - 12/31/2024</b>

## Vacant Positions