

Business owner and community stalwart Sharon Maxwell launches a campaign for City Council.

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## Community Builder

Contractor Sharon Maxwell turns sights to serving on City Council

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Sharon Maxwell makes it clear that as a long-time advocate for her community, she has been on the front lines of making Portland a better place both in terms of an improved economy and improving social conditions. Now the accomplished businesswoman and all-around . community stalwart wants to put her expertise to work for the city as a whole as she embarks on a campaign for the Portland City Council against incumbent Nick Fish in the upcoming May Primary.

"I always knew I was going to do something significant in the city," she says.

Maxwell broke a glass ceiling in terms of sex and race

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