

The Week in Review

COVID-19 Restrictions Return

Gov. Kate Brown announced new limits on person to person contacts Friday because the coronavirus is surging statewide and medical facilities are expected to soon be filled to capacity. Social get-togethers both indoors and outdoors were limited to no more than six people, restaurants and bars were again limited to take-out only and gyms and fitness organizations were closed to keep the virus at bay.



History is Made!

Democrat Joe Biden defeated President Donald Trump in the November General Election and will become the 46th president of the United States on Jan. 20. Kamala Harris also made history as the first Black woman to be-

come vice president, an achievement that comes as the U.S. faces a reckoning on racial justice.



Mapps Beats Eudaly; Wheeler Re-elected

Mingus Mapps captured a seat on the Portland City Council after voting tabulations on Nov. 3, which will make him the third person of color, a new majority on the five-member panel, when he takes office in January, joining current Commissioner JoAnn Hardesty and incoming Commissioner Carmon Rubio, the executive director of the Latino Network. City voters also re-elected Mayor Ted Wheeler in a close contest against Portland activist Sarah Iannarone.

Black Man Dies in Police Action

Investigators last week contradicted what Clark County police first said af-

ter the Oct. 29 shooting of a Black man on Highway 99 in Hazel Dell, saying they have not found any evidence Kevin Peterson Jr. fired a handgun before deputies shot and killed him during a drug sting operation. The 21-year-old did have a handgun and pointed it at deputies at times, but that it does not appear Peterson fired the gun, authorities said.

In Gresham, First Black mayor Wins



In Gresham, Travis Stovall, won the Nov. 3 election for Mayor, the first African American mayor of any municipality in the Portland area. A long-time resident, small business owner and community leader, Stovall captured 16,218 votes to 16,145 votes for second place finisher Gresham City Councilor Eddy Morales, a difference of just 145 votes.

Police Bureau Cuts Rejected

Portland City commissioners rejected a budget amendment on Nov. 12 that would have slashed another \$18 million from the Portland Police Bureau amid months of racial justice protests and shifted the money to the city's pan-

democratic response. The amendment was proposed by Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty, but drew opposition from the mayor because it was not vetted for the police layoffs it would cause.



Blazers Hire Kent for TV

The Portland Trail Blazers named Jordan Kent as its new television play-by-play broadcaster last week, the fourth person of color to hold an NBA play-by-play job. Kent previously hosted the Blazers Toyota Pregame Show and called games during the team's recent playoff run. He graduated from the University of Oregon where lettered in three sports: basketball, football and track and field.

Icons Named to Music Hall

The late music icons Whitney Houston and the Notorious B.I.G. were among the artists inducted into the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame this year during a HBO special that aired Nov. 7. Alicia Keys shared a speech for Houston in which she spoke about her dear friend. The Notorious B.I.G. was the only rapper to be inducted at this year's virtual ceremony.

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