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Portland Will Be Changing!

A Panel Discussion with The League of Women Voters

Voters decided in 2022 that Portland's government structure and election system must change. The charter reforms are interconnected and extensive. A lot of work is underway to ensure effective and fair implementation of the voters' decision. Independent volunteer commissions have achieved two major milestones, setting the 2025 salaries for Portland's elected officials and drawing four new geographic districts for electing the 2025 city councilors.

For the Portland League's September 19 program, a panel of leading experts will review the progress on implementation that Portland has made so far. The panel will include Melanie Billings-Yun, Shoshanah Oppenheim, Marcus Mundy, Alex Zielinski and a member of the Government Transition Advisory Committee (GTAC).

They will discuss the significance of the work accomplished by the two independent commissions. Other topics will include the reorganization of the bureaus that provide city services, preparations for the Mayor's new role working with a City Administrator to run city operations, how the new City Council will operate when its focus will be on gathering input from the districts' residents and developing legislation, and the importance of the input that is being gathered from advisors and the public. More information about the program and the speakers will be on the LWV of Portland's website, lwvpx.org.

Members of the public are invited to join us for this Zoom Webinar by registering on or before September 18 at 8 pm. Those watching the live program on September 19 will be able to enter questions in the chat. This program will be recorded by MetroEast Community Media. After September 22, community members may view the video on the LWV-PDX YouTube channel or listen to the podcast on LWV-PDX Podcasts. The links to the recordings will be on the LWV-PDX.org website. The video will also be shown on Comcast cable channels 11, 21 and 29 and Zply Fiber channels 22, 32 and 37.

A Scoring Record at Autzen Stadium!



Bucky Irving (0) heads to the end zone trailed by quarterback Bo Nix (10) (AP Photo)

Oregon dominates in 81-7 win over Portland State

(AP) — Quarterback Bo Nix said the Ducks did what they needed to do in their home opener, even if it wasn't much of a contest. Nix threw for 287 yards and three touchdowns before heading for the bench early in the third quarter and No. 15 Oregon built a 43-point halftime lead en route to an 81-7 victory over Portland State on Saturday.

It was the most points for the Ducks in a game in the modern era, and a scoring record at Autzen Stadium. "I thought we went out and executed what we were supposed to do, scored a lot of points, we were consistent. We didn't make any mistakes, we didn't beat ourselves," Nix said. "I thought it was a very clean game." It was also Oregon's 19th straight win in a home opener. The Ducks have won 31 straight non-conference games at Autzen Stadium, dating to 2008.

Bucky Irving ran for 119 yards and two scores, while Jordan James rushed for 86 and three more. Troy Franklin and Gary Bryant Jr. each caught a pair of TD passes.

Dante Chachere threw for 35 yards and the lone touchdown for Portland State, which plays in the Big Sky conference. Chachere also ran for 53 yards.

"Oregon's opponents will have a hard time finding a weakness in that team," Portland State coach Bruce Barnum said. "I just watched four quarters of it and they are pretty damn good. They are not just fast, they are a strong football team. ... We were outmatched everywhere."

The Ducks, who will be departing the Pac-12 in 2024 and joining the Big Ten, went 10-3 overall and 7-2 in the Pac-12 last season. Oregon climbed to No. 6 in the AP Top 25, but a pair of late losses to Washington and Oregon State kept Oregon out of the playoff picture. The Ducks rallied in the fourth quarter to win the Holiday Bowl 28-27 over North Carolina. The Vikings, embarking on their ninth season under coach Bruce Barnum, were 4-7 overall last season and 3-5 in the Big Sky.

"Overall we played very clean, we stopped them on defense, we did really good on special teams. I thought we handled field position really well, we controlled the ball on offense, we moved it, we had a lot of explosive plays, we didn't have a lot of penalties" Nix summarized. "Overall we did what we were supposed to do. In a game like that, that's what we wanted."

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