



# News Release

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## OLCC Commissioners Seek Public Input on Expansion of Retail Liquor Locations in Portland Metro

**PORTLAND, Ore.** – At its monthly meeting on February 18, 2016, the Commissioners of the Oregon Liquor Control Commission approved a public input process to gather feedback regarding the Open Recruitment process which could add up to an additional 17 retail liquor locations in the tri-county area. The Commissioners will accept written public comment beginning 8:00 a.m. Friday, February 19 through 5:00 p.m. Friday, March 18.

Comments can be sent via email to [OLCC.RetailServices@Oregon.gov](mailto:OLCC.RetailServices@Oregon.gov) or by postal mail to OLCC Retail Services, PO Box 22297, Milwaukie, OR 97269-2297. The Commissioners will review comments submitted and will make final decisions based on their legal authority.

A list of the applications received will be posted on [OLCC's web page](#) Friday, February 19. Qualified applicants will have the opportunity to present their proposals to the Commissioners at the April 2016 Commission meeting.

"We've received a tremendous amount of interest in this opportunity," said Rob Patridge, OLCC Chair. "We want to make sure we're making the best decisions on behalf of our customers and dedicating the right resources to make that happen. Taking the time to seek input from the public is essential to this selection process."

There will be an opportunity for the public to submit comments on specific locations after the Commissioners have made their selections at the April 2016 Commission meeting. Any location that receives significant public opposition will be required to go back before the Commissioners for final consideration before a formal decision is made.

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The five citizen commissioners are the policy-making body of the OLCC. They meet monthly for one or two days to make decisions regarding the regulation of the sale and service of alcoholic beverages in Oregon by administering the state's Liquor Control Act and the regulation of the sale of recreational marijuana in Oregon through the Control, Regulation, and Taxation of Marijuana and Industrial Hemp Act.

Commission meetings are held at OLCC's main office, 9079 SE McLoughlin Blvd., Room 103A in Portland, unless otherwise specified. Agenda items can be obtained on-line at [http://www.oregon.gov/OLCC/public\\_meetings.shtml](http://www.oregon.gov/OLCC/public_meetings.shtml)