

## Capital Projects Advisory Board (CPAB) Members\*

- **Lisa Strader, Chair** – Lisa is currently the ADA Planning Manager for the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT), with a career largely focused on development and capital construction projects in the public and private sectors. Mostly recently the ODOT’s Assistant Manager of the State Radio Project, Lisa has held positions as the Facilities Administrator for the Oregon Department of Corrections, as Senior Project Manager for the redevelopment of Civic Stadium into PGE Park, and as CM/GC Advisor to the University of Oregon for construction of the Knight Law Center. She has been involved in alternative contracting and championed deferred maintenance elimination at the state level since the 1990’s.
- **Bill Foster, Vice Chair** – Bill worked as a contractor and architect before spending much of his career working for the Oregon Department of General Services and the Department of Administrative Services (DAS). He served as a Construction Project Manager, the Design and Construction Management Section Manager, State Architect, and Administrator of the Facilities Division before retiring and doing some consulting for a few years.
- **Jennifer Belknap-Williamson** – Jennifer is the Director of Engineering for the Port of Portland where she leads a staff of 85 delivering a \$2 Billion capital program, including improving the seismic resiliency and capacity of the PDX airport. Her background includes managing the Asset Systems Management Division for City of Portland BES; leading the City of Gresham’ Stormwater Utility; and consulting engineering. Jennifer has a B.S. from University of Portland in Civil Engineering and a M.S. from University of Wisconsin-Madison in Civil and Environmental Engineering. Jennifer has a passion for leading teams in developing sustainable and resilient solutions to infrastructure challenges.
- **Heidi Rhan** – Heidi Rahn is the director of Metro’s new Capital Asset Management Department, overseeing Metro’s efforts to plan, build, and take care of more than \$600 million of capitalized public assets. In that capacity, she leads the Construction Project Management Office, Metro Regional Center operations, zoo bond construction, and agency-wide capital planning and asset management. Heidi was at the Oregon Zoo for five years spearheading efforts to fulfill a 20-year master plan related to a \$125 million bond measure passed by voters in 2008. She led the successful construction of Elephant Lands, Condors of the Columbia, and the Education Center. Prior to her work at the zoo, Heidi was a policy advisor in Metro’s Office of the Chief Operating Officer. She led a regional leadership committee through a process of identifying infrastructure investment needs and solutions. The results are reflected in Metro’s leadership of the current regional investment strategy. Heidi

began her Metro journey in the Resource Conservation and Recycling division of Property and Environmental Services. She managed business waste reduction programs, policy development, and climate change mitigation efforts. Prior to Metro, Heidi worked in the energy industry focusing on corporate social responsibility. Rahn holds a bachelor's degree in zoology and conservation biology from the University of Wisconsin - Madison and an M.B.A. with a focus on sustainable business practices from York University in Toronto. She received the Daily Journal of Commerce Women of Vision award in 2017 for efforts to promote contract and workforce opportunities for women and people of color in construction.

- **William Messner** – William joined Portland General Electric in early February, 2014 as director of PGE's newly centralized Safety department. Since that time Bill has been given expanded responsibilities and is now PGE's Director of Safety & Resiliency. This new role includes not only PGE's health and safety but also workers compensation, physical security and business continuity and emergency management teams. Bill joined PGE from Southern California Edison Co. in Rosemead, Calif., where he served as director and principal manager of the company's Corporate Environmental, Health & Safety. In that role, Bill was instrumental in the initial efforts of transforming the SoCal Edison safety culture. Bill joined SoCal Edison as an attorney specializing in environmental, real properties and local governance law. He also worked more than 12 years for Exxon Mobil Corporation as an environmental project engineer and an attorney. Bill has a Bachelor of Science Degree from California Polytechnic University Pomona, Juris Doctorate from Suffolk Law School, and a Master in Business Administration from University of California at Los Angeles.
- **Norman Wright** – Norman Wright is the Director of Community Development for the City of Salem where he leads a staff of 104 delivering urban planning, code administration, development services, library services, and support to neighborhoods, arts, and culture. His background includes serving as a director of similar functions in Colorado, Tennessee, and South Carolina. He holds an Master of City and Regional Planning degree from Clemson University and contributes research regularly to the American Planning Association (APA) and International City Managers Association (ICMA).
- **Robert Chandler** – Robert Chandler became Assistant Public Works Director in Salem, Oregon, in 2009. With 420 employees and an operating and construction budget of \$254M, Salem Public Works provides drinking water and wastewater treatment services for the region, and stormwater, transportation, parks, recreation, and project delivery services for Salem. His wide-ranging responsibilities include: master planning, floodplain management, flood risk reduction, development services, land use regulations, watershed planning, inter-agency coordination, and emergency

planning, to name a few. A graduate of the University of Washington with a degree in mechanical engineering, Roberts served for 10 years as a nuclear submarine officer and 20 years in the Reserves before retiring in 2010 as a Navy captain. In 1993, he returned to the UW, earning a Master's Degree in Engineering in 1993 and a Ph.D. in Civil and Environmental Engineering in 1995. Dr. Chandler is a licensed Civil Engineer in the states of Washington and Oregon.

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