



CITY OF PORTLAND, MAINE
DEPARTMENT OF PORTS & TRANSPORTATION

DEPARTMENTAL ADVISORY

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Subject: Enhanced Security at City Waterfront Passenger Facilities

This memorandum outlines the enhanced security measures that the Waterfront Division of the City of Portland's Department of Ports & Transportation is immediately implementing in light of recent events and potential risks.

Our overall objective is to provide a wider boundary between vehicles and facilities/passengers at our passenger waterfront transportation facilities. Our strategy will help to reduce some risks associated with public gathering spots and their associated facilities to enhance public safety at the City's waterfront passenger transportation facilities which include the:

1. International Marine Terminal (IMT);
2. Former Bath Ironworks Site (BIW)/Ocean Gateway Project; and

To enhance the safety of the traveling public, the Waterfront Division is taking the following precautions:

- Creating additional security zones to allow for greater separation between vehicles and passengers/facilities.
- Installing new barricades and fencing where necessary to restrict vehicular and pedestrian access.
- Restricting access to portions of all waterfront transportation facilities during non-public hours of operation except to those individuals with proper Department issued photo identification badges.
- Increasing security patrols at all facilities.
- Performing random security checks of people and baggage at waterfront transportation facilities during hours of public operation.
- Performing random checks of vehicles, freight and baggage for weapons and explosives during cruise ship and ferry operations with the assistance of the Portland Police Department's canine squad and federal agencies.

- Requiring expanded mandatory background checks for all contractual security personnel.
- Updating all risk assessments for each property and its associated operations.
- Coordinating with the Portland Police Department, Portland Fire Department, and U.S. Coast Guard to review all emergency evacuation and contingency plans.
- Communicating with all cruise ship and international ferry operators about enhanced port security measures.
- Maintaining regular public notices and advisories on our comprehensive website: www.portofportlandmaine.org

The Waterfront Division will also coordinate with the Casco Bay Island Transit District (CBITD), the operator of Casco Bay Lines and Ferry Terminal, review its operations and facilities to provide, where possible, enhanced security for the more than one million passengers who use its services each year.

The Waterfront Division will also coordinate with the Portland Fish Pier Authority and Portland Fish Exchange, to review their operations and facilities to provide, where possible, enhanced security for the persons who use the Fish Pier and its services.



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