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Neil Goldschmidt has been mayor of Portland, Oregon, since 1972.

He was born in Eugene, Oregon, on June 16, 1940. He received a B.A. in political science from the University of Oregon in 1963 and an LL.B. from Boalt Law School of the University of California at Berkeley in 1967.

Goldschmidt was an attorney with the Portland Legal Aid Service from 1967 to 1970 and served on the Portland City Council from 1971 to 1972.

He serves on the board of trustees of the U.S. Conference of Mayors, and is chairman of its Ad Hoc Housing Task Force. He also chairs the Conference's Committee on Housing and Community Development and previously chaired the Committee on Transportation.

Goldschmidt was a delegate to the OECD conference on "Urban Transportation and the Environment" this year. He serves on the Advisory Committee on State and Local Government Affairs of Harvard's John F. Kennedy School of Government. He is co-chairman of the National League of Cities' Energy Task Force.

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