

Glendale's Boards & Commissions

Community participation is a cornerstone to the city of Glendale's success. From volunteerism to providing valuable feedback to our elected officials and City leaders, our residents play an essential role in shaping our City.

Key components to our reputation of devoted citizen involvement are the City's boards and commissions, which assist the City Council in making important policy decisions that impact our community. These citizen advisory groups research, study and discuss specific issues with both short- and long-term implications, and then forward their recommendations to the City Council.

Citizen involvement and input is essential to the success of local government. The city encourages you to consider applying for appointment to one of Glendale's boards and commissions.

The time commitment for each of the boards and commissions varies, but most meet at least once a month for several hours. Preparation for meetings and special meetings sometimes requires additional time.

Each board and commission ranges between 5-14 members who are appointed by the Glendale City Council.

[Please look over the following list to determine the boards or commissions on which you may be interested in serving.](#)

Arts Commission

Advises the City Council on the administration and formulation of Glendale's Municipal Arts Plan and the Performing Arts Partnership Program. Recommends and commissions publicly-funded art for the City.

Meets: 6 p.m., fourth Thursday of each month.

Aviation Advisory Commission

Advises the City Council on the maintenance and operation of the Glendale Municipal Airport and its role in statewide air transportation.

Meets: 6 p.m., third Wednesday of each month.

Board of Adjustment

Holds public hearings on requests for variances and appeals to City administrative decisions regarding zoning.

Meets: 4 p.m., second Thursday of each month.

Citizens Bicycle Advisory Committee

Advises city staff and the City Council through the Citizens Transportation Oversight Commission on safety education, bicycle plan implementation and refinement, inspection of bikeways, improvement of adult and youth bicycle riding skills, and promoting bicycling and walking in the city of Glendale and in Arizona.

Meets: 6:30 p.m., first Monday of each month.

Citizens Transportation Oversight Commission

Monitors the transportation fund to ensure voter-approved projects, in accordance with Proposition 402, are completed in a timely and cost-effective manner. Advises the City Council on regional transportation issues, public transit, the bicycle program and alternative transportation modes.

Meets: 6 p.m., first Thursday of each month.

Citizens Utility Advisory Commission

Provides the City Council with recommendations regarding policies and strategies related to City infrastructure, including the City's landfill and solid waste services, regional collaboration, water resources sustainability, operations and infrastructure to ensure the well-being and quality of life of Glendale residents and businesses.

Meets: 6 p.m., first Wednesday of each month, except July & August.

Community Development Advisory Committee

Makes recommendations to the City Council regarding the allocation of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds to eligible area non-profit groups; advises City Council on policies related to the City's Community Housing programs and the city's Community Action Program (CAP); provides general advice on human services in Glendale as related to the administration of these programs.

Meets: 6 p.m., third Thursday of each month.

Historic Preservation Commission

Advises the Planning Commission and the City Council on historic preservation issues, including the designation of properties to the Glendale Historic Property Register; and assists in building community support for preservation issues.

Meets: 4 p.m., fourth Thursday, quarterly

Human Relations Commission

Makes recommendations to the City Council on ways to encourage mutual respect and understanding among all people, to discourage prejudice and discrimination, and to support cultural awareness and unity of the community.

Meets: TBD – new commission.

Industrial Development Authority

Issues revenue bonds to projects eligible for financing under Arizona statutes.

Meets: As needed (1-2 meetings per year).

Judicial Selection Advisory Board

Seeks and encourages qualified individuals to apply for Glendale Presiding Judge and City Judge. Reviews investigative materials, survey results and other background information to assess qualifications of candidates for (re)appointment to these positions. Makes recommendations to the City Council.

Meets: As needed.

Library Advisory Board*

Advises the City Council on policies related to the administration and provision of library services.

Meets: 6 p.m., second Wednesday of each month.

Municipal Property Corporation

A non-profit corporation that assists the City with the financing and construction of public facilities in accordance with specifications approved by City Council. The Municipal Property Corporation sells bonds to obtain the necessary funds to construct public facilities.

Meets: Annually in November and as needed.

Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission*

Advises the City Council on policies, rules, and regulations relating to planning, acquisition, disposition, operations, use, care, and maintenance of parks and recreational facilities. Responsible for development of a master plan for the City's park system and recreation programs.

Meets: 6 p.m., second Wednesday of each month.

Personnel Board

Advises the City Council and the City Manager on the merit system and personnel policies and administration. The board also hears appeals regarding discipline.

Meets: 6 p.m., third Wednesday & Thursday as needed.

Planning Commission

Analyzes, reviews and makes recommendations to the City Council regarding land use and development-related issues. Holds public hearings regarding these issues.

Meets: 5 p.m. workshop; 6 p.m. public hearing first Thursdays of each month.

Public Safety Personnel Retirement Boards

Responsible for making the provisions of the Public Safety Retirement System effective including membership, benefits eligibility and administration of claims. There are two boards: police and fire.

Meets: 9 a.m., Jan.-Oct., fourth Wednesdays and Nov.-Dec. third Wednesdays.

Risk Management & Workers' Compensation Trust Board

Advises the City Council on the administration and status of the City's Risk Management and Workers' Compensation trust funds.

Meets: Twice per year.

* **High School Student Members:** The Library Advisory Board and the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission each include two high school student members.

Terms & How to Apply

Terms are typically for 2 years; begin on February 1st; and expire on January 31st. Annual appointments will be made by Council at a meeting in December or January. Applications can be submitted throughout the year but **must be received by November 15th** to be considered for the annual appointments.

For information, please contact the City Clerk's Office at (623) 930-2252 or apply online at:

www.glendaleaz.com/boardsandcommissions.

To contact the Mayor or members of Council, call (623) 930-2249 or via e-mail at:

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Are you

- A Glendale resident?
- Looking for a way to serve your community?
- Willing to take the required 3-hour basic training class?
- Committed to attending regularly scheduled meetings?

If so, please consider applying for one of Glendale's **Boards & Commissions**.

