

SUBJECT: 2026 BOARD AND COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS

DATE: DECEMBER 16, 2025

PREPARED BY: GENNY KLINE, CITY CLERK

PRESENTED BY: GENNY KLINE, CITY CLERK

SUMMARY:

The City began the 2026 board and commission recruitment in October with a November 3 application deadline. The City Council appointed Mayor Leh and Councilmember Fahey to complete an initial review of the applications. The Committee met and made recommendations for which applicants to appoint or reappoint without an interview and which applicants to interview. Those recommendations, along with complete application responses for all applicants, are included in the [November 18 meeting packet](#).

BACKGROUND / PRIOR DISCUSSIONS:

- November 18 City Council Meeting - Councilmember Cooperman asked that the item be postponed to December 2.
- December 2 City Council Meeting – Councilmember Cooperman asked to include three other applicants to those being interviewed for OSAB vacancies. Council approved that request.
- December 8 City Council Special Meeting – Interviews for the vacancies were conducted.

ANALYSIS:

All appointments will be effective January 1, 2026. Due to the limited number of applications, there will still be vacancies on a few boards.

2025 COUNCIL WORK PLAN:

Boards and Commissions are a core service for the City. Annually appointing residents to serve ensures that government is inclusive, responsive, transparent, accessible, effective, and efficient.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Budgeted?: **Not Applicable**

ALTERNATIVE(S):

Since some vacancies will remain on several boards (Board of Adjustment, Building Code Board of Appeals, Local Licensing Authority, and Parks & Public Landscaping Advisory Board) Council may consider recruiting again for volunteers in early 2026.

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RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the list of appointees for terms beginning January 1, 2026.

ATTACHMENT(S):

1. 2026 board and commission appointments

2026 BOARD AND COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS

Building Code Board of Appeals

Steve Norwood	3 years	January 2026 - December 2028
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Cultural Advisory Board

Leah Franks	3 years	January 2026 - December 2028
Jeff Gaillard	3 years	January 2026 - December 2028
JR Kettelsen	3 years	January 2026 - December 2028

Historic Preservation Commission

Jeff Moline	3 years	January 2026 - December 2028
Jamie Peterson	3 years	January 2026 - December 2028
Austen Welker	3 years	January 2026 - December 2028

Historical Museum Advisory Board

Eric Lenderman	4 years	January 2026 - December 2029
Erika Winter	4 years	January 2026 - December 2029

Library Board of Trustees

Jeanne Baker	4 years	January 2026 - December 2029
Laurel Cole	4 years	January 2026 - December 2029

Local Licensing Authority

John Carlson	4 years	January 2026 - December 2029
Elizabeth Kaufman	4 years	January 2026 - December 2029

Open Space Advisory Board

Michiko Christiansen	3 years	January 2026 - December 2028
Denise Montagu	3 years	January 2026 - December 2028
Mark Poletti	3 years	January 2026 - December 2028
Bud Talbot	3 years	January 2026 - December 2028

Parks and Public Landscaping Advisory Board

Jean Keil	3 years	January 2026 - December 2028
David Pomeroy	3 years	January 2026 - December 2028
Kelli Zimmerman	3 years	January 2026 - December 2028

Planning Commission

David Bangs	2 years	January 2026 - December 2027
Jonathan Mihaly	2 years	January 2026 - December 2027
Lisa Ritchie	6 years	January 2026 - December 2031

Recreation Advisory Board

Michael Knapp	3 years	January 2026 - December 2028
Carla Rupp	3 years	January 2026 - December 2028

Revitalization Commission

Barbara Iglesias	5 years	January 2026 - December 2029
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Sustainability Advisory Board

Alex Bentz	4 years	January 2026 - December 2029
Greg Dimedio	4 years	January 2026 - December 2029
Eliza Greene	4 years	January 2026 - December 2029