



**City of Bloomington
Office of the City Clerk**

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**BOARDS & COMMISSIONS
SUMMARIES**

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Animal Control Commission

This commission is comprised of representatives of the Monroe County Humane Association, the Bloomington Animal Shelter, a veterinarian and other City of Bloomington residents interested in animal welfare. It formulates, adopts, and implements policies and principles and standards concerning care, treatment, and control of animals. The term is two years expiring January 31.

MEETINGS: 3rd Tuesday of each month at 5:30pm at the McCloskey Room, City Hall.

Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety Commission

This commission develops safety programs and serves as a citizen forum concerning safe access for cyclists, pedestrians and runners. It encourages the hosting of cycling, walking and running events in a safe manner and reports and makes recommendations to the Mayor, Council and Public Works regarding cyclist, pedestrian and runner issues. The term is two years expiring January 31.

MEETINGS: 1st and 3rd Mondays of each month at 5:30pm in Hooker Room, City Hall

Bloomington Arts Commission

This commission stimulates and encourages an appreciation of and participation in the fine arts by all citizens. The term is two years expiring January 31.

MEETINGS: 2nd Wednesday of each month at 5:00pm in the McCloskey Room, City Hall

The Bloomington Digital Underground Advisory Board

The Board advises the city on policies related to the City of Bloomington's state of the art fiber-optic network, connecting city buildings and contributing to Bloomington's hi-tech future.

MEETINGS: Required at least once quarterly.

Board of Parks Commissioners (TV)

This board oversees the Parks and Recreation Depart. The term is four years expiring December 31.

MEETINGS: 4th Tuesday of each month from 4-6pm in Council Chambers, City Hall.

Board of Zoning Appeals (TV)

The Board hears and makes the final decision on requests for variance from both the development standards and the use standards found in the zoning ordinance. The Board also hears and makes final decisions on conditional use requests. In addition, the Board makes the final decision on appeals from administrative decisions, determining whether or not an appealed staff decision was or was not within the scope of the zoning ordinance text. The term is four years expiring 1st Monday in January.

MEETINGS: 3rd or 4th Thursday of each month at 5:30pm in Council Chambers, City Hall

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The Citizens' Advisory Committee (CAC)

This committee reviews and evaluates Community Development Block Grant applications for the City of Bloomington and makes funding recommendations to the Redevelopment Commission, Mayor and City Council on the allocation of funds.

Five (5) meetings from November –January. Members are appointed by the Mayor on a two year staggered terms basis.

Commission on Aging (city residence not required)

This commission was established in December, 2009 to encourage the development of programming, explore issues and concerns, celebrate accomplishments, promote solutions to the problems and challenges and work in collaboration with other community organization to promote public awareness of the senior and aging community. Applicants do not need to reside within the city limits, but must be residents of Monroe County.

MEETINGS: 2nd Tuesday of each month at 4:30 in the Hooker Room, City Hall

Commission on Hispanic and Latino Affairs (city residence not required)

The Commission works to alleviate problems Hispanics and Latinos experience in education, health, employment and public safety. It encourages the development of programs at the local level that focus on long-range solutions to issues facing Hispanic/Latino residents and bridging cultural gaps.

MEETINGS: 1st Wednesday of each month at 5:30 in the McCloskey Room, City Hall.

Commission on the Status of Black Males (city residence not required)

The Commission on the Status of Black Males is charged with: addressing problems of black males in the areas of education, health, criminal justice and employment; serving as a catalyst to promote positive public and private remedies to the multi-faceted problems confronting black males and the resulting effects on the community; organizing and convening community forums and neighborhood-based focus groups; and networking with groups with similar missions, locally and throughout the state, sharing ideas, information, data and plans.

MEETINGS: 2nd Wednesday of each month at 5:30 pm in the Hooker Room, City Hall

Commission on the Status of Women

The Commission on the Status of Women is dedicated to addressing the concerns, interests and needs of women in our community. The Commission explores women's issues, celebrates their accomplishments and works to promote solutions to the problems and challenges faced by women in our community. The term is two years expiring January 31.

MEETINGS: 1st Thursday of each month at 5:30pm in McCloskey, City Hall

Commission on Sustainability (city residence not required)

The Commission on Sustainability promotes economic development, environmental health, and social equity in our community for present and future generations. The commission gathers and disseminates information; promotes practical initiatives; and measures, monitors, and reports on our community's progress toward sustainability. The term is two years expiring January 31.

MEETINGS: 2nd Tuesday of each month, at 6:00 p.m. in the McCloskey Room, City Hall.

Commission on the Status of Children and Youth

The Community and Family Resources Commission evaluates funding requests from human services programs and makes recommendations to the Common Council and the mayor concerning these requests. The Commission also examines current human service needs and advises the Community and Family Resources Department on its programs and activities. The term is two years expiring January 31.

MEETINGS: 3rd Tuesday of each month, at 5:30 p.m. in the Hooker Room, City Hall.

Economic Development Commission

The Economic Development Commission oversees the financing of economic development projects and pollution control facilities within the City. The term is four years expiring January 31.

MEETINGS: 4th Friday of each month at 12:00pm in the Hooker Room, City Hall

Environmental Commission

The Environmental Commission promotes the public policy of Bloomington in regard to the public's health and safety, and preserves and enhances environmental quality of life. Its duties are to research pollution and its causes, and to study its prevention in Bloomington through recommendation to the appropriate public and private bodies. The term is two years expiring January 31.

MEETINGS: 3rd Thursday of each month at 7:00pm in McCloskey Room, City Hall

Historic Preservation Commission

This commission reviews any revisions proposed for historic designated property located within the city limits. Its members must be residents of the City of Bloomington and are appointed by the Mayor. The Commission is responsible for developing and coordinating the city's historic preservation activities. It is concerned with issues of development, redevelopment, rehabilitation and preservation that affect the visual quality in the historic district.

MEETINGS: 2nd Thursday of each month at 4:30pm in McCloskey Room, City Hall

Housing Authority

The Housing Authority provides decent, safe and sanitary housing to low income families. The director of Housing Authority reports to this Board with budgets, employee issues and modernization programs. The term is four years.

MEETINGS: 3rd Thursday of each month, 8:00 am - Crestmont Office, 1007 N. Summit Street.

Housing Quality Appeals Board

The Housing Quality Appeals Board hears the appeal of any person aggrieved by the decision of the Neighborhood Development Manager, or any administrative officer, regarding the Property Maintenance Code of the City. It makes investigations, and may overrule decisions of administrative officers. The term is two years expiring January 31.

MEETINGS: 3rd Wednesday of each month at 4:00 pm in McCloskey Room, City Hall

Housing Trust Fund Board of Directors

The Housing Trust Fund Board is responsible for administering the Housing Trust Fund Endowment which was established by the City of Bloomington in cooperation with the local Community Foundation. It creates and preserves affordable housing for low-income citizens. The term is two years (no more than two consecutive two-year terms).

MEETINGS: Called as needed

Human Rights Commission

The Human Rights Commission enforces Bloomington's Human Rights Ordinance in a fair and timely manner, educates community members about their rights and responsibilities under various civil rights laws, raises awareness on all human rights issues, ensures that contractors and on city jobs pay employees applicable common wages, ensures that the City, as an employer, governmental entity and provider of public accommodations complies with and informs the community about the American Disabilities Act (ADA) The term is two years expiring January 31.

MEETINGS: 4th Monday of each month at 5:30pm in McCloskey Room, City Hall

Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday Commission

This commission promotes and celebrates that holiday and the acceptance of diversity in our community. The term is two years expiring on the 31st of January.

MEETINGS: 4th Wednesday of each month at 4:30pm, in Hooker Room, City Hall

Plan Commission

The Plan Commission is the decision-making body for site plan review, preliminary and final plat review, and final Planned Unit Development review. It acts in an advisory capacity to the Common Council for re-zonings, preliminary Plan Unit Developments, and amendments to the text of the zoning ordinance and subdivision regulations. The Plan Commission also acts as advisory to the Common Council on the adoption and amendment of the Comprehensive Plan. The term is four years expiring First Monday in January, or until a successor is appointed.

MEETINGS: Mondays, per schedule, at 5:30pm in Council Chambers, City Hall

Public Safety Board

Oversees Police and Fire Departments. The term is four years expiring January 31 or at the pleasure of the Mayor.

MEETINGS: 3rd Tuesday of each month at 3:00pm at the Police Department

Public Transit Corporation

The PTC is charged with the management of the Bloomington Transit System, and carries taxing authority, as set out in I.C. 36-9-4. Directors must be residents of the taxing district of the corporation. The term is four years or until a successor is appointed

MEETINGS: Every other Tuesday at 5:30pm in the Transit Garage, Grimes Lane. November is 3rd and 5th Tuesdays.

Public Works Board

The Public Works Board is the chief administrative body of the City and has control of the day to day operation of the Department of Public Works; the Board also has the authority to allow and approve claims. The term is at the pleasure of the Mayor.

MEETINGS: Every other Tuesday at 5:30pm in the Council Chambers, City Hall

Redevelopment Commission

The Redevelopment Commission is the governing board for the Department of Housing and Neighborhood Development. The Redevelopment Commission has the powers and authority as outlined for a Redevelopment Commission under Indiana Code; its main concern is the redevelopment of blighted areas. It promotes the use of land in the manner that best serves the interests of the unit and its inhabitants. The term is one year expiring December 31.

MEETINGS: 1st Monday of each month at 5:00pm in the McCloskey Room, City Hall

South Central Regional Sewer District

Founded in 1971 to protect the lake from pollution by a growing number of small sewage treatment plants which were discharging treated sewage water into the lake. Permits by the State had been issued for seven such plants before 1971. Since then such discharge has been prohibited. The outfall from the district sewage plant is into Clear Creek which joins Salt Creek below the dam.

Telecommunications Council

The Telecommunications Council evaluates cable service and the operation of the cable company, and studies the communications needs of the City. It assists the public in the use of cable television. The term is two years expiring January 31.

MEETINGS: 1st Tuesday of each month at 7:30pm in Council Chambers, City Hall

Traffic Commission

The Traffic Commission coordinates traffic activities, receives complaints having to do with traffic matters, and recommends to the Council ways and means of improving traffic conditions.

The term is two years expiring January 31.

MEETINGS: 4th Wednesday of each month at 5:30pm in Council Chambers, City Hall

Tree Commission

The main duties of the Tree Commission are to advise the urban forester on forestry practices, assist with formulating urban forestry policies, provide public education on selection, planting, and care of trees, assist with efforts to fund the acquisition and planting of public trees, and advise the Board of Public Works on cases regarding trees. The term is three years.

MEETINGS: 3rd Wednesday of every other month at 9:30am at Rose Hill Cemetery Office, 930 W. Fourth Street.

Urban Enterprise Association

The Urban Enterprise Association coordinates zone development activities and communicates zone related information to residents and businesses in the community. It establishes a formal line of communication with residents and businesses in the zone. The term is four years.

MEETINGS: 1st Wednesday of each month at 12:00 noon at McCloskey Room, City Hall

Utilities Service Board

The Utilities Service Board oversees the Utilities Department and coordinates operations with City policies. It adopts rules for the safe, economical, and efficient management and protection of each utility. The term is four years expiring January 1.

MEETINGS: Every other Monday at 5:00pm in the Utilities Administrative Building 600 E Miller Dr