

City Boards and Committees

The Mayor's Office administers the board appointment process. Applications for serving on boards and committees are available to interested citizens through the Mayor's Office. Applications are reviewed by the Mayor's Office, and advice and consent of the City Council is sought before citizens are appointed to boards and committees.

A complete membership listing (including term expirations) is kept in the Mayor's Office.

ADA Accessibility Review Board

Major Duties

The Board shall advise the Mayor on matters pertaining to universal accessibility by monitoring the progress of the City transition plan and encouraging the incorporation of universal access into the design of city facilities.

Membership Seven members/four-year terms

Liaison City Attorney

Airport Authority

Major Duties

The Airport Authority will manage and operate the Sioux Falls Regional Airport under the authority provided in SDCL 50-6A.

Membership Five members/five-year terms

Liaison Director of Planning and Building Services

Arena/Convention/Entertainment Center Board

Major Duties

Under the direction of the Mayor, the board shall supervise the activities and entertainments and use of the various facilities.

Membership Seven members/five-year terms

Liaison Director of Planning and Building Services

Board of Adjustment

Major Duties

The powers are to hear and decide appeals where it is alleged there is an error in any order, requirement, decision, or determination made by the Planning Director in the enforcement of the ordinance.

Membership Five members/three-year terms

Liaison Director of Planning and Building Services

Board of Appeals

Major Duties

The purpose is to determine the suitability of alternate materials and methods of construction, and to provide for reasonable interpretations of the provisions of the International Residential Code and International Building Code.

Membership Five members/three-year terms

Liaison Director of Planning and Building Services

Board of Ethics

Major Duties

The purpose of this board is to regulate conflicts of interest of officers and employees of the City.

Membership Five members/four-year terms

Liaison City Attorney

Board of Health

Major Duties

The Board of Health shall exercise general supervision over the health of the city with full power to take all steps and use all measures necessary to promote the general cleanliness and healthfulness of the city and the general health and well-being of the people in the community served.

Membership Fifteen members/three-year terms

Liaison Public Health Director

Board of Museum Directors

Major Duties

The board is responsible for the development and operation of a museum system in the city. They make policies for the operation of the system and advise the Mayor on personnel.

Membership Ten members/three-year terms (five appointed by City)

Liaison Director of Siouxland Libraries

Board of Preservation

Major Duties

The purpose of this board is to preserve, promote, and develop the historical resources of the city.

Membership Ten members/three-year terms

Liaison Director of Planning and Building Services

Business Improvement District Board

Major Duties

The board shall make recommendations to the governing body for the establishment of a plan or plans for improvements in the business area.

Membership Six members/three-year terms

Liaison Director of Planning and Building Services

Charter Revision Commission

Major Duties

The Commission will report to City election authorities regarding proposed amendments to the Home Rule Charter.

Membership Five members

Liaison City Attorney

Civil Service Board

Major Duties

The Civil Service Board shall adopt, amend, and enforce a code of rules and regulations providing for appointment and employment in all positions in the classification as set forth in this title classified civil service of the city based on merit, efficiency, character, and industry, and shall make investigations concerning the enforcement and effect of the rules so adopted.

Membership Four members/five-year terms

Liaison Director of Human Resources

Commission on Human Relations

Major Duties

The purpose is to carry forward the policies of the City in the field of human relations, to promote civil rights, and to enforce the provisions of Chapter 21 1/2 of the Sioux Falls Code of Ordinances.

Membership Eleven members/five-year terms

Liaison City Attorney

Community Development Advisory Committee

Major Duties

The committee is to provide citizen input on the administration of the Community Development Block Grant Program.

Membership Fifteen members/three-year terms

Liaison Director of Community Development/Public Parking Facilities

Disability Awareness Commission

Major Duties

The Commission shall advise the Mayor on disability awareness matters, educate the public to heighten awareness of physical, social, and economic barriers for people with disabilities, and organize public awareness activities.

Membership Nine members/three-year terms

Liaison City Attorney

Districting Commission

Major Duties

The Districting Commission is responsible for making recommendations to the City Council for changes to district boundaries.

Membership Five members—until adoption of districting plan—as needed

No member shall be employed by the City or hold any other elected or appointed position in the City. Following each decennial census or upon reliable evidence that the city's population has increased more than 15 percent since the last redistricting, the Commission shall consult the City Council and shall prepare a plan for dividing the city into districts for the election of Council members.

Liaison City Clerk

Electrical Board of Appeals and Examiners

Major Duties

The Board shall examine all applicants for a license required by the provisions of this article and to their knowledge of the rules for the installation of electrical wiring and to grant licenses or renewals if the proper qualifications are indicated.

Membership Five members/three-year terms
Liaison Director of Planning and Building Services

Employee's Retirement System Board of Trustees

Major Duties

This board of trustees exercises discretionary authority control over the management and administration of this system.

Membership Seven members/four-year terms
Liaison Director of Human Resources

Falls Community Health Center Board

Major Duties

The Board shall exercise a general supervision of the health of the city with full power to take all steps and use all measures necessary to promote the general cleanliness and good health of the community. The Board is authorized with approval of the City Council to employ the staff necessary to carry out the duties of the health officer. The Board shall equip a public health lab, whose services shall be available to the medical profession of the state for bacteriological, chemical, and pathological examinations.

Membership Eleven members/three-year terms
Liaison Public Health Director

Firefighters' Pension Fund Board of Trustees

Major Duties

The duties of this board shall be to administer, manage, and operate the Pension Fund.

Membership Five members/three-year terms
Liaison Director of Human Resources

Homeless Advisory Board

Major Duties

The board may advise the City, including its agents, regarding the homeless population within the city. The board's duties may include, but are not limited to, 1) recommending policies for how to best handle the homeless population, and 2) communicate to the City and Council the needs of the homeless population within the city.

Membership Fifteen members/three-year terms
Liaisons Public Health Director
Director of Community Development/Public Parking

Housing and Redevelopment Commission

Major Duties

The board works to administer the federal funds available to Sioux Falls in the area of housing—both in finding suitable housing and seeing to the distribution of funds.

Membership Five members/five-year terms
Liaison Mayor

Infrastructure Review Advisory Board

Major Duties

The board shall advise the mayor regarding fees and regulations relating to engineering design standards, subdivision and infrastructure construction requirements, excavation and grading, and subdivisions with the intent of recommending the elimination of unnecessary regulations and the adoption of only those regulations necessary for the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Sioux Falls.

Membership Seven members/three-year terms

Liaison Director of Public Works

Investment Advisory Board

Major Duties

The board shall advise the Mayor on City investment policy.

Membership Five members/indefinite terms

Liaison Mayor

Library Board of Trustees

Major Duties

Some of the board's duties include appointing the librarian, adopting policies to govern the use of the library, and preparing and submitting the annual budget for the library.

Membership Seven members/three-year terms (four appointed by City)

Liaison Director of Siouxland Libraries

Mechanical Board of Appeals and Examiners

Major Duties

Each member shall be qualified by experience and training to pass upon matters pertaining to mechanical design, construction, and maintenance, and the public health aspects of mechanical systems, and who are not employees of the jurisdiction, and members will be able to provide for reasonable interpretations of the provisions of the International Mechanical Code and International Fuel Gas Code.

Membership Five members/three-year terms

Liaison Director of Planning and Building Services

Orpheum Theater Advisory Board of Directors

Major Duties

Under the direction of the Mayor, the board shall supervise the activities and entertainments and use of the facility.

Membership (voting members)

One member/perpetual term (Fine Arts Director for the Sioux Falls School District). Six members/three-year terms.

Observer Seats (non-voting members)

Two member/perpetual term (Municipal Band Director and City Government Liaison). Three members/one-year term.

Liaison Director of Planning and Building Services

Parks and Recreation Board

Major Duties

To establish, improve, care for, regulate, and manage a system of public parks, zoological parks, parkways, and boulevards and to operate a system of public recreation, playgrounds, and children's parks in and for the city.

Membership Seven members/five-year terms

Liaison Director of Parks and Recreation

Planning Commission

Major Duties

It shall be a function and duty of the Planning Commission to make and adopt a master plan for the physical development of the municipality.

Membership Nine members/five-year terms

Liaison Director of Planning and Building Services

Plumbing Board of Appeals and Examiners

Major Duties

The board examines applicants for plumbing licenses and helps in updating the Uniform Plumbing Code.

Membership Five members/three-year terms

Liaison Director of Planning and Building Services

Property Maintenance Board of Appeals

Major Duties

This board shall hear appeals from any person directly affected by a decision of a code official or a notice and order issued pursuant to the International Property Maintenance Code.

Membership

Three regular members/three-year terms. Two or more alternate members/serve during the absence or disqualification of a regular member.

Liaison Director of Planning and Building Services

Public Parking Facilities Board

Major Duties

The Public Parking Facilities Board shall provide input and recommendations to the Executive Director of Public Parking relative to the parking rates, fees, and fines.

Membership Seven members/five-year terms

Liaison Director of Community Development/Public Parking

Public Transit Advisory Board

Major Duties

The board acts as a liaison between Sioux Falls Transit and the City Council. The board reviews monthly financial and operations reports and provides a forum for public discussion of transit issues.

Membership Seven members/three-year terms

Liaison Director of Planning and Building Services

School Traffic Safety Advisory Committee (a.k.a. PATH)

Major Duties

The committee shall periodically review all activities connected with the School Traffic Safety Program and to prepare recommendations for the Mayor and/or the Sioux Falls Board of Education of changes or additions to the School Traffic Safety Program.

Membership Seventeen members/four-year terms

Liaison Principal Traffic Engineer

Sioux Empire Arts Council

Major Duties

This Council shall initiate, aid, encourage, advise, and correlate such activities dedicated to the promotion of cultural arts in the Sioux Falls area as may be found feasible and to integrate such activities into the life of the community served by the Council.

Membership Twenty-one members/one-year terms (appointed by City)

Liaison Mayor

Sioux Falls Ice and Recreation Center Board

Major Duties

The board shall advise the facility manager, the City Park and Recreation Board, the Mayor, and the City Council regarding fees for use of the facility, ice time for public figure skating, open skating, hockey, and other uses, and any sale of the facility or discontinuance of its use as an ice rink. Such advice will include suggestions for a replacement facility.

Membership Five members/five-year terms

Liaison Director of Parks and Recreation

Sioux Falls Regional Emergency Medical Services Authority

Major Duties

To establish and monitor the administrative, operational, and financial structure of a medically competent, timely, prehospital emergency medical services system within the region of its authority; and will operate under the authority of SDCL 34-11B.

Membership Five members/five-year terms

Liaison Public Health Director

Solid Waste Planning Board

Major Duties

The purpose of this board is to review the current waste stream of the users of the Sioux Falls landfill and investigate how the waste stream may vary in the future and analyze how current and future recycling efforts may impact on the waste stream; assess the availability of markets and potential markets for recyclable materials on the local, regional, and national scale, including collection sites, actual recycling operations, prices, and any related matters; develop plans for public education programs for waste reduction and recycling; develop plans and pilot projects to achieve waste reduction and recycling goals and provide economic, environmental, and social cost benefit analysis for each project; assess current ordinances and statutes and recommend appropriate changes; review and analyze alternative methods (other than landfilling) for disposal of "special wastes," i.e., hazardous waste generated by households and small-quantity generators, waste oil, tires, batteries, pesticides, and any other problem wastes, and make ongoing reports to the Mayor of its findings and recommendations.

Membership Thirteen members/three-year terms

Liaison Director of Public Works

Veterans' Park Advisory Board

Major Duties

The board shall advise the City Parks and Recreation Board, the Director of Parks and Recreation, the Mayor, and the City Council regarding the design, construction, and operation of a Veterans' Park.

Membership Five members/five-year terms

Liaison Director of Parks and Recreation

Visual Arts Commission

Major Duties

The Visual Arts Commission shall act as an advisory body to the Mayor and City Council on matters pertaining to visual art.

Membership Seven members/three-year terms

Liaison Director of Planning and Building Services

Washington Pavilion Management, Inc. Board of Directors

Major Duties

The purpose of this board is to manage the affairs of the Washington Pavilion Corporation.

Membership Five members/three-year terms (two appointed by the City)

Liaison Director of Planning and Building Services

Zoological Society of Sioux Falls Board of Directors

Major Duties

The purpose of this board is to be responsible for the operation, management, maintenance, planning, and development of the Great Plains Zoo and Delbridge Museum.

Membership Eighteen members/three-year terms (three appointed by the City)

Liaison Director of Parks and Recreation