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**TO:** The Honorable City Council

**FROM:** David Whitaker, Director  
Legislative Policy Division Staff 

**DATE:** April 16, 2026

**RE:** CITY COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSION

The Legislative Policy Division (“LPD”) has been requested to update its report listing City Council’s board and commission appointments. There are numerous boards, committees, commissions, corporations or authorities to which your Honorable Body makes appointments or plays a role in the selection of its members. Appointments are official once they are voted upon by the City Council and sworn into office by the City Clerk.

The Citizens Review Committee has been removed from this report because City Council no longer utilized this body to review CDBG/NOF applications. The applications are now reviewed by city staff members.

Please advise if you require additional information.

# **CITY COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS**

## **Auditor General**

Your Honorable Body makes the appointment for a 10-year term.

<u>Council Appointee</u>	<u>Term Ending Date</u>
Laura Goodspeed	April 3, 2033

## **Belle Isle Advisory Committee**

Your Honorable Body makes one (1) appointment to this seven (7) member body.

<u>Board Member</u>	<u>Term Ending Date</u>
Sommer Woods	Undefined

## **Board of Zoning Appeals**

The Board of Zoning Appeals is a seven (7)-member board appointed by the City Council. Members must be residents and not members of any other City agency, board, department or commission. Additionally, the seven (7) members shall come from each of the non-at large districts. Its members are appointed for three (3) years, staggered terms and may only be removed for cause:

<u>Board Member</u>	<u>Term Ending Date</u>	<u>District</u>
VACANT	December 31, 2024	District 1
Alethia Carr	December 31, 2028	District 2
Maia Campbell	December 31, 2028	District 3
Jerry Watson	December 31, 2026	District 4
Bryon Osbern	December 31, 2026	District 5
Robert Roberts	December 31, 2028	District 6
Anthony Sherman	December 31, 2026	District 7

Scotty Bowman	December 31, 2026	At-Large
Vacant	December 31, 2026	At-Large

**Board of Zoning Appeals Director**

City Council makes an appointment for a 6-year term.

<u>Council Appointee</u>	<u>Term Ending Date</u>
James Ribbron	July 31, 2030

**Board of Trustees General Retirement System**

Contact Person: Gail Oxedine 313-224-3362 ext 203

The City Council appoints one of its members to this Board for a one (1) year term ending December 31<sup>st</sup> of each year.

<u>Board Member</u>	<u>Term Ending Date</u>
Hon. Mary Waters	December 31, 2029

**Board of Trustees Police and Fire Retirement System**

Contact Person: Kelly Tapper ktapper@rscd.org

The City Council appoints one of its members to this Board for a one (1) year term ending December 31<sup>st</sup> of each year.

<u>Board Member</u>	<u>Term Ending Date</u>
Hon. Coleman Young, II	December 31, 2029

**Board of Review (Property Tax)**

The City Council may sit as a board of review, or it may appoint one. When appointed, there are nine (9) members, each appointed on the odd year for a two-year period. There must be at least one representative from each of the seven at-large City Council districts. It has been City Council’s practice for each member to designate one board member for appointment by the full Council. Members must be residents and not members of any other City agency, board, department or commission.

<u>Board Member</u>	<u>Term Ending Date</u>	<u>District</u>
Jacqueline Robinson	December 31, 2026	District 1

**Board of Review (Property Tax) cont.**

<u>Board Member</u>	<u>Term Ending Date</u>	<u>District</u>
Marcus Twyman	December 31, 2026	District 2
Donielle January	December 31, 2026	District 3
Teresa Dubose	December 31, 2026	District 4
Julie Castone	December 31, 2026	District 5
Jannina Pena	December 31, 2026	District 6
Lewis Moore	December 31, 2026	District 7
Maria Muhammad	December 31, 2026	at-large
La'Toshia Patman	December 31, 2026	at-large

**Brownfield Redevelopment Authority - Community Advisory Committee**

This is a nine (9)-member body with four (4) members appointed by the Mayor and four (4) members appointed by the City Council. The eight (8) appointees choose the ninth member. All members must be residents of the city.

<u>Council Appointee</u>	<u>Term Ending Date</u>
Josh Mack	June 30, 2026
George Etheridge	June 30, 2026
David Bonner	June 30, 2026
Marlowshawn Franklin	June 30, 2026

**City Planning Commission**

The City Planning Commission is a nine (9) member advisory body to the City Council. Seven (7) of the members must come from each of the seven (7) non-at-large districts. Commissioners must be residents of the city and as far as possible represent different professions and occupations. Its members serve three (3) year staggered terms.

<u>Board Member</u>	<u>Term Ending Date</u>	<u>District</u>
Fredrick E. Russell Jr.	February 14, 2027	District 1

**City Planning Commission cont.**

<u>Board Member</u>	<u>Term Ending Date</u>	<u>District</u>
Donovan Smith	February 14, 2026	District 2
Kenneth R. Daniels	February 14, 2027	District 3
Ritchie Harrison	February 14, 2029	District 4
Vacant	February 14, 2028	District 5
David Esparza	February 14, 2026	District 6
Vacant	February 14, 2027	District 7
Adrian-Keith Bennett	February 14, 2028	At-large
Rachel Udabe	February 14, 2028	At-large

**Civil Service Commission**

The Civil Service Commission is a five (5)-member body. Commissioners must be residents of the city and may not hold any other public office or public employment except notary public. Two (2) members are appointed by the City Council for a two (2) year term that begins on February 15<sup>th</sup> of each odd-numbered year. The Mayor and City Council shall jointly appoint one (1) member to a three (3) year term beginning February 15<sup>th</sup> after the expiration of the preceding term. Commissioners may only be removed for cause.

<u>Council Appointee</u>	<u>Term Ending Date</u>
Edna Bell	February 15, 2027
Brenda Braceful	February 15, 2027
Dana Williams (joint)	February 15, 2022

**Continuum of Care**

Contact Person: Kelly Tapper ktapper@rscd.org

The Continuum of Care is a planning process implemented by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to provide a coordinated, collaborative, and community-driven

approach to allocating resources to communities to address the needs of people who are homeless or at-risk of becoming homeless.

Council Appointee

Term Ending Date

Hon. Latisha Johnson

December 31, 2029

**Detroit Building Authority**

This is a five (5) member board of commissioners of five (5). City Council appoints two (2) members, the Mayor appoints two (2) members (one whom shall be approved by City Council, and the Mayor shall is also a member. All members of the commission shall be registered electors of the city. The terms of the commissioners shall be four (4) years,

Council Appointee

Term Ending Date

Christopher Jackson

January 31, 2029

Maggie DeSantis

January 31, 2029

**Detroit-Wayne County Health Authority**

Contact Person: Brandy Lagodzinski 313-871-3751 ext 200

The City Council appoints one member to this nine-member board.

Council Appointee

Term Ending Date

Hon. Angela Whitfield-Calloway

December 31, 2029

**Detroit-Wayne Joint Building Authority**

There are three (3) members of the Joint Building Authority who serve a four (4) year term. The City Council appoints one (1) member, the Wayne County Commission appoints one (1) member, and the third member is appointed upon agreement of the two bodies.

Council Appointee

Term Ending Date

Sharon Madison

December 31, 2028

Byron Osbern (joint)

June 30, 2029

**Eastern Market Corporation**

Contact Person: Doshia Barton 313-833-9300

The City Council selects two (2) of its members to sit on the board governing the Eastern Market.

<u>Council Appointee</u>	<u>Term Ending Date</u>
Hon. Denzel McCampbell	December 31, 2029
Hon. Renata Miller	December 31, 2029

**Board of Ethics**

The Board of Ethics has a seven (7) member board. The City Council appoints three members (3) members, the Mayor appoints three (3) members and one (1) member is a joint appointment. The members must be residents of the city and may not hold elective office or be appointees or employees of the city. They also may not be the immediate family or a relative of the mayor, the deputy mayor, the city clerk or member of City Council. These are five (5) year appointments, up to two (2) consecutive terms not to exceed 10 years.

<u>Council Appointee</u>	<u>Term Ending Date</u>
LaTanya Richardson	June 30, 2029
David Teeter	June 30, 2028
Raymond Card	June 30, 2030
Vacant (joint)	

**Entertainment Commission**

The Entertainment Commission is a twelve (12) member advisory body. One (1) member is nominated by each City Council member, and three (3) members are appointed by the Mayor. The commissioners serve three-year terms.

<u>Board Member</u>	<u>Term Ending Date</u>	<u>Nominator</u>
John Collins	February 14, 2025	Hon. Benson
Sophia Chue	February 14, 2026	Hon. Santiago-Romero
Asia Hamilton	February 14, 2026	Hon. Tate

**Entertainment Commission cont.**

<u>Board Member</u>	<u>Term Ending Date</u>	<u>Nominator</u>
Todd Taylor	February 14, 2029	Hon. Miller
Vacant	February 14, 2022	Hon. Johnson

Gregory Reed	February 14, 2024	Hon. Waters
Gwendolyn Scales	February 14, 2026	Hon. Young
Erica Murria	February 14, 2024	Hon. Durhal
Jerry Flynn Dale	December 31, 2028	Hon. Calloway

**Historic Designation Advisory Board**

All members of the Historic Designation Advisory Board shall be residents of the city. The advisory board shall have a majority of persons who have a clearly demonstrated interest in or knowledge of historic preservation. The nine (9) appointed members of the advisory board shall be appointed by the city council and shall include at least one (1) representative from any existing historical preservation society (including, but not limited to, historic district associations).

<u>Board Member</u>	<u>Term Ending Date</u>
Melanie A. Bazil	February 14, 2027
Carolyn Carter	February 14, 2027
Louis Fisher	February 14, 2027
Charles Rivers	February 14, 2027
Calvin Jackson	February 14, 2027
Eric Hergenreder	February 14, 2027
Oswaldo Riveria	February 14, 2029
Sharon Sexton	February 14, 2029
William Worden	February 14, 2029

**Historical Museum Board**

The City Council has one (1) appointment to this board.

<u>Council Appointee</u>	<u>Term Ending Date</u>
Hon. Renata Miller	December 31, 2029

**Income Tax Board of Review**

Board has been discontinued

**Inspector General**

The City Council makes the appointment for a 6-year term.

<u>Council Appointment</u>	<u>Term Ending Date</u>
Kamau Marable	August 19, 2030

**Joint Employment Procurement & Advisory Board**

The City Council has three (3) appointments to this nine (9)-member board. The appointments are indefinite terms.

<u>Council Appointee</u>	<u>Term Ending Date</u>
Huey Gray III	Indefinite
DaRell Reed	Indefinite
Nia Watson	Indefinite



**Public Lighting Authority**

City Council has two (2) appointments for this five (5) member body. The members must be city residents. Three of the five members must be a licensed certified public accountant, an attorney licensed to practice in the State of Michigan and a licensed professional engineer. City Council must also select another member from a list of three names provided by the mayor.

<u>Council Appointee</u>	<u>Term Ending Date</u>
David Bonner (Finance Expert)	December 31, 2029
Rick Pruess	December 31, 2029
Melvin Butch Hollowell (joint)	December 31, 2029

**Retiree Protection Investment Advisory Committee**

Contact Person:

<u>Council Appointee</u>	<u>Term Ending Date</u>
Hon. Scott Benson	December 31, 2029

**Risk Management Council**

City Council has one (1) appointment to this nine (9) member body.

<u>Council Appointment</u>	<u>Term Ending Date</u>
David D. Whitaker	Indefinite
Irvin Corley, Jr. (alternate)	Indefinite

**The Riverfront Conservancy**

Contact No: 313-566-8200

Your Honorable Body has one (1) appointment to the Board of Directors.

<u>Council Appointment</u>	<u>Term Ending Date</u>
Hon. James Tate	December 31, 2029

**Southeast Michigan Council of Governments**

Stephanie Taylor 313-324-3330

City Council has two representatives on the board.

<u>Council Appointment</u>	<u>Term Ending Date</u>
Hon. Scott Benson	December 31, 2029
Hon. Gabriela Santiago-Romero	December 31, 2029

\*The individuals listed were approved by this Honorable Body. However, it has been communicated that the desire of the organization is to have the Council President and President Pro Tem serve as the two Council representatives.

**Tenants' Rights Commission (Voting)**

This is a nine (9) member commission consisting of four (4) members appointed by City Council, four (4) members appointed by the Mayor and (1) joint appointment. Each voting member serves a two-year term and must be a resident of the City of Detroit at the time of appointment and throughout the duration of their appointed term.

<u>Council Appointment</u>	<u>Term Ending Date</u>
Doneisia Davis	April 30, 2027
Sherry Smith	April 30, 2027
Tenesa Sanders	April 30, 2027
Jamie Junior	April 30, 2027
Josephina Ramon (Joint)	April 30, 2027

**Tenants' Rights Commission (Non-Voting)**

Each City Council member and the Mayor may appoint one non-voting member, totaling no more than ten. Each member serves a four-year term at the pleasure of the appointing entity, whose term shall terminate automatically upon the vacation of the appointing entity from office.

<u>Board Member</u>	<u>Term Ending Date</u>	<u>Nominator</u>
Vacant		Hon. Benson
Vacant		Hon. Santiago-Romero

Vacant	Hon. Tate
Vacant	Hon. Miller
Vacant	Hon. Johnson
Vacant	Hon. Waters
Vacant	Hon. Young
Vacant	Hon. McCampbell
Vacant	Hon. Calloway

**Towing Rate Commission**

This is a five (5)-member commission chaired by the Auditor General and includes the Director of Consumer Affairs (or designated representative), the Police Chief, a member of the public selected by the Mayor and a representative of the towing industry appointed by the City Council. The Commission meets every two years.

**Council Appointment**

Vacant

\*The 2026 Towing Rate Commission will convene April 30, 2026, and the public notices have been posted. City Council appoints one (1) industry representative to be seated on the commission.

**Woodward Light Rail Transit Authority**

Your Honorable Body has two (2) appointments to the seven (7) -member Board of Directors.

<u>Council Appointment</u>	<u>Term Ending Date</u>
Henry Gaffney	Indefinite
Robert Polk	Indefinite

**Detroit Zoological Society Board of Directors**

Contact Person: Laura Marcinkowski 248-336-5801

City Council received two seats on the Board of Directors when the Zoological Society took over the management of the Detroit Zoo.

Council Appointees

Term Ending Date

Hon. James Tate

December 31, 2029

Hon. Scott Benson

December 31, 2029

**Detroit City Council and the Board of Education Liaison**

Council Appointment

Term Ending Date

Hon. Latisha Johnson

December 31, 2029