

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Board of Building and Fire Appeals.

Purpose. The purpose of the Board of Building and Fire Appeals is to determine the suitability of alternate materials, methods and types of construction. The board has the power to permit exceptions, variances or waivers from the Code that meet the intent of the adopted code and will not endanger life, limb, health, property or public welfare. The board of building and fire appeals shall conduct business in accordance with City of Topeka Code.

Membership. In accordance with City Code 2.40.010, the Board of Building and Fire Appeals shall consist of seven members appointed by the mayor and approved by council. Members shall be currently licensed, or engaged in, or have substantial past experience in the following areas: licensed professional engineer, licensed architect, licensed commercial contractor, or other experience or professional work in a field related to building construction. The appointed members shall always include at least two licensed engineers, two licensed architects and one general contractor. Members shall serve two-year terms. Members shall not serve beyond the end of their appointed terms. Upon expiration of a term the position shall remain vacant until a successor is appointed. Ex officio nonvoting members shall include the city attorney, fire marshal, building code enforcement director, or their designees.

Authority: Ordinances 18382 and 19155

Terms: 2 years

Term Limits: None

Meetings: Meets on an as needed basis.

Board members and term end dates:

Chair - Tom Woltkamp, 5/31/12. City Contact: Dave Lundry; 368 - 1615

Mike Wilson, 5/31/12; Toby Taggart, 9/30/12; Keith Finney, 9/30/12; Matthew Werner, 9/30/12; Daniel Rowe, 11/30/12; Steve Mohan, 11/30/12

City of Topeka Americans with Disabilities Act Advisory Council

Purpose: To support the civil rights of and full integration into Topeka community life for all people with disabilities. The ADA Council seeks to enhance the community by the efforts of persons with disabilities; to make a positive difference in their relationship with the community by working toward providing full access to facilities, programs, services, activities and employment; and to enable persons with disabilities to equally participate in the social and economic life of the city.

Membership: In accordance with City Code 2.80.10, the ADA Council shall be comprised of ten (10) members. At least six (6) members will be individuals with disabilities, with each of the six (6) major life functions represented by these members, for example, speaking, learning, walking or breathing. Hearing and vision disabilities are currently represented on the board. All efforts will be made to ensure cross-disability representation in the selection of ADA council members. Terms shall be for two years. Members may not serve more than four (4) consecutive terms. Upon expiration of a term the position shall remain vacant until a successor is appointed; members shall not serve beyond their appointed terms.

Nominees must reside in the city. Mike McGee is the city staff person for the board, and reviews all the bios to see if the individual qualifies. He would like to see youth with disabilities represented on the board as well. If there are additional questions, he is more than happy to discuss the specific disability requirements. He can be reached at 368-1641.

Authority: Ordinance 18920.

Term: Two years

Term Limits: Four consecutive terms

Meetings: Monthly, 2nd Wednesday of the month; from 3 - 5 PM at the Holliday Bldg.

Board members and term end dates:

Michael Byington, 1/5/12; Marilyn Lind, 9/30/12; Gene Gibson, 9/30/12

Citizen Advisory Council.

Authority: Ordinance 18382.

Purpose: The Advisory Council makes recommendations to the City Department of Housing and Neighborhood Development on issues described in the advisory council by-laws. The Citizen/Community Advisory Council, because they work closely with housing and neighborhood development programs, require backgrounds in construction trades, architecture, appraising, real estate and real estate development, property management, engineering, neighborhood planning and other areas relevant to neighborhood development.

Membership: In accordance with City Code 2.105.040, one voting member from each NIA. Three members appointed at-large by the Mayor with confirmation of the Council. One appointee must be from a low to moderate income (LMI) area not represented by a certified NIA, or be a LMI citizen of Topeka not residing in an NIA area. At-large members must come from disciplines such as construction trades, architecture, appraising, real estate sales, public finance, mortgage lending, legal, real estate development, residential property management, commercial banking, construction

material suppliers, fund raising, neighborhood planning, zoning, engineering or other disciplines relevant to housing and neighborhood development.

Term: Three years; not serve beyond end of appointed term

Term Limits: Two consecutive terms

Meets: Quarterly - 6:30 PM Holliday Bldg. John Davis, 6/30/14

Downtown Business Improvement District Advisory Board.

Purpose. The purpose of the downtown business improvement district advisory board (BID) shall be to monitor and oversee services provided pursuant to the business improvement district act. The board shall conduct its business in accordance with City Code.

Membership. The downtown business improvement district advisory board shall consist of nine members, appointed by the mayor with the consent of the city council. Members shall serve in accordance with Topeka City Code 3.40.040 and without compensation. Members appointed shall be representatives of the businesses located in the district.

Authority: KSA 12-1781 et seq; Ordinance 18382

Members: 9 members appointed by the Mayor with consent of the City Council

Term: Two years

Term limits: None. No provisions for removal

Meets: Every other month; time varies

Board members and term end dates:

Chair- Mark Burenheide, 9/30/12. Phone: 274-5792. Email: msburenheide@yahoo.com

Debbie Briman-Latta, 9/30/12; Ann Adams, 9/30/12; Darryl Coker, 9/30/12;

Charles Tryon, 6/30/12; Kim Schultz, 9/30/12; Gary Yager, 12/31/13;

Jim Parrish, 12/31/13

Board of Electrical Appeals.

Purpose. The purpose of the Board of Electrical Appeals shall be to review applications and approve the issuance of licenses in accordance with the Code of the City of Topeka. The board shall be empowered to hear and determine interpretations of applicable codes and to permit exceptions, variances, or waivers there from, provided such exceptions, variances, or waivers meet the intent of the adopted code and do not endanger life, limb, property or public welfare.

Membership. In accordance with City Code 5.63.120, the board shall be comprised of two licensed electrical masters two licensed journeymen, and an engineer practicing in the trade, however, the two positions designated to be filled by journeymen may be filled

by licensed journeymen, licensed masters, or engineers practicing in the electrical trade. Members shall be appointed by the mayor and serve two year terms. Members shall not serve beyond the end of their appointed terms. Upon expiration of a term the position shall remain vacant until a successor is appointed.

Authority: 18382

Terms: Two years

Meets: On an as needed basis only; 2nd Tuesday of the month, 4:00 PM

Term limits: None. No provisions for removal

Board members and term end dates:

Chair -

City Contact: Dave Lundry: 368 - 1615

William Brown, 11/30/12; Dave Krug, 12/31/12; Jim Grunewald, 12/31/12

Dode Lesser, 1/31/13; Shawn Smith, 11/30/12

Human Relations Commission.

Purpose. The purpose of the Human Relations Commission is to endeavor to eliminate prejudice among various racial, ethnic and other groups in the city and to further goodwill among all people of the city. The commission and each commissioner shall fulfill the duties and responsibilities as set forth in the Code of the City of Topeka.

Membership. In accordance with City Code 2.55.030, the Human Relations Commission shall consist of nine members appointed by the Mayor and approved by council. Members of the commission shall serve two-year terms. Members shall not serve beyond the end of their appointed terms. Upon expiration of a term the position shall remain vacant until a successor is appointed. Members shall be drawn from diverse racial, ethnic, commercial, industrial and other segments of the community and shall be city residents. Members shall serve without compensation.

Authority: Ordinance 18382

Term: Two years

Term limits: None. No provisions for removal

Meets: 1st Monday, 5:45 PM

Board members and end term dates:

Chair - Lorean Williams, 5/30/12. City Contact: Shawn Maisberger; 368 - 3606

Bill Beachy, 11/30/12; Margo Rangel, 3/2/12; Ezell Monts, 1/31/13;

Anthony Fadale, 8/31/13; Sharon Joseph, 8/31/13; Joyce Grigsby, 12/31/13;

Darcella Goodman, 1/31/14

Jayhawk Area Agency on Aging Advisory Council.

Purpose. The Jayhawk Area Agency on Aging is funded under the Older Americans Act and the state department of aging to be the administrative agency for funds for elderly persons in Jefferson, Douglas and Shawnee Counties. The Advisory Council advises the JAAA Board of Directors concerning policies and programs that affect older citizens.

Membership. In accordance with the by-laws and City Code 2.05.080, the Jayhawk Area Agency on Aging shall consist of fifteen members; nine appointed by Shawnee, Douglas and Jefferson Counties; two members to be appointed by the City of Lawrence; three members to be appointed by the mayor of the City of Topeka and one member by the City of Oskaloosa. The terms for members appointed shall be three years. Membership shall be made up of more than 50% older persons, including minority individuals who are participants, or who are eligible to participate in programs under this part; representatives of older persons; representatives of health care provider organizations, including providers of veteran's health care; representatives of supportive service providers organizations; persons with leadership experience in the private and voluntary sectors and the general public. There shall be no more than one (1) representative of a service provider receiving funding through JAAA serving on the Advisory Council at any one time.

Authority: Older Americans Act

Members: Three appointed by Mayor of Topeka. Other appointments are from city of Lawrence and Oskaloosa and from Douglas, Shawnee and Jefferson Counties.

Term: Three years

Term limits: 2 full consecutive terms

Meets: Monthly; time and place varies

Chair - Larry Martin, 9/30/11. Phone: 783-5009. Email: larry.martin@usa.net

City board members and end term dates:

Laurie Pigg, 10/31/12; Noda Preston, 12/31/13; Matthew Pettit, 9/13/14

Jayhawk Area Agency on Aging Board of Directors.

Authority: Older Americans Act

Members: In accordance with the JAAA Board of Director by-laws. Membership consists of two appointed by Mayor of Topeka; other appointments also from Shawnee, Douglas and Jefferson Counties; City of Lawrence and Oskaloosa.

Term: Three years

Term limits: None

Meets: Monthly; time and place varies

Chair - Tom Ryan, 9/30/11. Phone: 785-945-3225 Email: thebarn@embarqmail.com

City board members and end term dates:

Alicia Rues, 12/31/13; Connie McFarlane, 10/31/14

Juvenile Corrections Advisory Board.

Twelve members including representatives of Sheriff, D.A., Mental Health, Topeka Police, Court Services, Education, and a Juvenile Judge, additionally, three citizen appointments by the Mayor and three citizen appointments by the County Commission. No more than 2/3 shall be same sex. Two members must be ethnic minorities. Terms are for three years. Actively participates in the formulation of the comprehensive plan for the development, implementation, and operation of the juvenile correctional services in the county and shall make a formal recommendation to the board of county commissioners at least annually. Reviews funding applications and makes recommendations to the commissioners. Board establishes policies for juvenile services in the County.

Authority: KSA 75-7038

Terms: Three years

Terms limits: None

Meets: Monthly, third Wednesday of the month, 8 AM at the Shawnee County Corrections office at 712 S. Kansas

Chair - Roger Dirks, 6/30/12. Phone: Email:

City board members and term end dates:

Miriam Krehbiel, 6/30/13; Carol Ramirez Albott, 6/30/13; Ta'Nia Gibbs, 7/31/13

Board of Mechanical Examiners.

Purpose. The purpose of the board of mechanical examiners shall be to review applications and approve the issuance of licenses in accordance with City Code. The board shall be empowered to hear and determine interpretations of applicable codes and to permit exceptions, variances, or waivers therefrom, provided such exceptions, variances, or waivers meet the intent of the adopted code and do not endanger life, limb, property or public welfare.

Membership. In accordance with 5.63.120, the board shall be comprised of five members; two masters licensed in the particular trade, one engineer or equivalent practicing in the particular trade, and two persons who shall be a licensed journeyman, licensed master,

or an engineer practicing in the particular trade. Members shall be appointed by the mayor and serve two year terms. Members shall not serve beyond the end of their appointed terms. Upon expiration of a term the position shall remain vacant until a successor is appointed.

Authority: Ordinance 18382

Term: Two years

Term limits: None

Meets: As needed basis only; 1st Wed at 4:30

Board members and term end dates:

Chair - Robert Beaver, 8/31/12. City Contact: Dave Lundry; 368 - 1615

Jim March, 1/31/14; Chuck Smelter, 6/30/12; Tom Cain, 6/30/12;

Rich Beardmore, 1/31/14

Metropolitan Topeka Airport Authority.

Created. The Metropolitan Topeka airport authority is created pursuant to and shall have the powers granted pursuant to the provisions of K.S.A. 27-327 et seq.

Membership. In accordance with City Code 2.05.070, the board of directors shall consist of five members. Three members shall be registered voters and city residents who are appointed by the mayor with the approval of the city council. Two members shall be Shawnee County residents residing outside the Topeka city limits and appointed by the county commission. Members shall serve three-year terms, but no more than three consecutive terms.

Authority: KSA 27-327 et seq. and Ordinance 17226

Term: Three years

Term limits: Three consecutive terms

Meets: Monthly, 3rd Tuesday at 3:00 PM - at MTAA

Chair - Ed Ramirez, 11/30/12, Phone: 357-4420. Email: embpluser@sbcglobal.net

City board members and term end dates:

Sam Carkhuff, 11/30/12; Greg Inkmann, 11/30/12

Board of Plumbing Examiners.

Purpose. The purpose of the board of plumbing examiners shall be to review applications and approve the issuance of licenses in accordance with City Code. In addition, the board shall be empowered to hear and determine interpretations of applicable codes and to permit exceptions, variances, or waivers there from, provided such exceptions, variances, or waivers meet the intent of the adopted code and do not endanger life, limb, property or public welfare.

Membership. In accordance with City Code 5.63.120, the board shall be comprised of five members; two licensed master plumbers, two licensed journeymen, and an engineer practicing in the trade, however, the two positions designated to be filled by journeymen may be filled by licensed journeymen, licensed masters, or engineers practicing in the plumbing trade. Members shall be appointed by the mayor and serve two year terms. Members shall not serve beyond the end of their appointed terms. Upon expiration of a term the position shall remain vacant until a successor is appointed.

Authority: Ordinance 18382

Term: Two year terms

Term limits: None. No provisions for removal

Meets: As needed basis only; 3rd Wednesday at 5:00 PM

Board members and term end dates:

Chair - Jeff Romine, 5/31/12. City Contact: Dave Lundry; 368 - 1615

Neil Carlson, 5/31/12; Durell Dick, 7/31/12; Doug Snook, 9/30/12;

Brian Burnett, 11/30/12

Civil Service Commission.

In accordance with City Code 2.125.030, five commissioners are appointed by the mayor to four-year terms. One non-voting member designated by the City Manager to be the city representative who shall serve as technical advisor to the commission. The commission shall conduct examinations of Police and Fire applicants and certify lists of eligible applicants. The Commission also hears charges against individual officers alleging misconduct, failure to perform duties, offenses of a criminal nature or violations of the Rules and Regulations of the Police and Fire Departments. To be eligible for appointment as a commissioner, a nominee may not be a city employee, and shall have at least three years of experience in a responsible position requiring knowledge of the legal issues involved in the hiring, or disciplining of employees.

Authority: Ordinance 18382

Term: Four years

Term limits: None. No provisions for removal
Meets: Quarterly, or on an as needed basis

Board members and term end dates:

Chair - Ray Delgado, 4/30/15. City Contact: Michele Smith; 368 - 3765

Jacqueline Bugg, 11/30/15; Doria Watson, 4/30/12;

Jessie Mae Brice Thompson, 1/15/14; Renee Wiggins, 10/31/13

Redistricting Commission.

Appointment procedure. The following procedures shall be and they are hereby adopted to be followed by the city council in its appointment of a commission to redistrict the city pursuant to the authority granted by Charter Ordinance 94 § 9 following territorial annexations by the city, and these procedures shall apply as well to the appointment of such a commission in July 2012, and every tenth year thereafter, or as otherwise needed.

Membership. The redistricting commission shall consist of nine members who shall be registered voters, one member being appointed from each district by the councilmember from that district. Council members shall not serve as members of the commission.

Procedures for revising and reestablishing district boundary lines. The following procedures shall be followed by the redistricting commission in its revision and reestablishment of the district boundary lines:

- (1) The commission shall follow and adhere to the provisions of subsections (c) and (d) of Charter Ordinance 94 § 9 in its determination and designation of new district boundary lines.
- (2) To assist in its consideration of new district boundary lines, the commission, once established, shall hold a public meeting as soon thereafter as possible to receive the comments and input of interested citizens. The city clerk shall serve as temporary chairperson at the first meeting of the commission, at which time a permanent chairperson shall be chosen. The procedure for establishing district boundary lines shall be discussed at the first meeting of the commission.
- (3) Upon the completion of its consideration of proposed district boundary line changes, the commission shall recommend any suggested revisions of such boundary lines to the city council for its consideration. After it has submitted its recommendations and responded to council inquiries, the commission shall cease to exist. Any expenses for material and supplies incurred by the commission will be defrayed from the council budget, and

city staff shall be available to assist the commission as needed.

Shawnee County Corrections Advisory Board.

Twelve members – three appointed by the County Commission; three appointed by Mayor with approval of City Council; representatives of law enforcement: sheriff, police, prosecution, judiciary, education, and corrections. No more than 2/3 of the members shall be of the same sex. Members shall be appointed to a two-year term. Two members must be ethnic minorities. Members shall participate in the formulation of the comprehensive plan for the development, implementation, and operation of the correctional services within the County. Board makes formal recommendation to the County Commission concerning the plan and its implementation and operation during the ensuing year.

Authority: KSA 75-5297 et seq.

Term: Two years

Term limits: None

Meets: 3rd Thursday at 3:30 PM

Chair– Cathy Leonhart,6/30/2011. Phone: 233-8200,ext.4014

Email: cleonhart@shawneecourt.org

City board members and term end dates:

Lazone Gray, 6/30/13; Michelle Smith, 6/30/13; Ted Heim, 6/30/13.

Topeka Public Building Commission.

In accordance with City Code 2.70.020, the commission shall be comprised of seven members. The commission shall be appointed as follows:

- (1) One member shall be appointed by the mayor of the city with the approval of the city council. Such member shall serve at the pleasure of the mayor and shall be the chairperson of the commission;
- (2) Six members shall be appointed by the mayor of the city with the approval of the city council for terms of four years. Members shall not serve beyond the end of their appointed terms. Upon expiration of a term the position shall remain vacant until a successor is appointed. Of the members appointed under this provision, one shall be a representative of the secretary of administration of the State of Kansas, one shall be a representative of the governing body of Shawnee County, and one shall be a representative of the governing body of Unified School District No. 501. The member who is the representative of the secretary of administration shall be appointed from three nominations submitted by the secretary of administration. The member who is the representative of the governing body of Shawnee County shall be appointed from three nominations submitted by the governing body of Shawnee County. The member who is the representative of Unified School District No. 501

shall be appointed from three nominations submitted by the governing body of Unified School District No. 501. The four members appointed directly by the mayor shall be residents of the city. In the case of the death, incapacity, resignation or disqualification of any member of the commission, the mayor of the city shall appoint with the approval of the city council a new member for the unexpired term of the deceased, incapacitated, resigned or disqualified member in accordance with the provisions of this section.

Authority: KSA 12-1757 et seq.

Term: Four years

Term limits: None

Meets: One-hour bi-annually – June and December.

Chair: Ned Nusbaum, Indefinite term

Board members and term end dates:

Mark McGivern (Dept of Admin) 5/31/15.

Topeka Housing Authority Board of Commissioners

Purpose. The Topeka housing authority exists pursuant to Resolution No. 7104. The purpose of the board is to plan and study the public housing needs of the city and to make recommendations to city officials. The governing body of the Topeka Housing Authority shall be known as the Topeka Housing Authority Board of Commissioners.

Membership. In accordance with the by-laws and City Code 2.05.090, the board shall consist of five members appointed by the mayor; one of which must be a resident of the authority. Members shall serve four year terms or until a successor is appointed. Members shall serve without compensation.

Authority: KSA 17-2341 et seq.

Terms: Four years

Term limits: None

Meets: 4th Tuesday; Noon – location varies

Board members and term end dates:

Shaye Downing, 12/31/13. Phone: 357-8842,ext 119. Email:

Nancy Artzer-May, 12/31/12; Gary Yager, 12/31/12;

Franklin Young, 12/31/14; Frank Ybarra, 12/31/15.

Topeka Metropolitan Transit Authority

Cited. The City of Topeka, adopted the Metropolitan Transit Authority Act, K.S.A 12-2801 et seq. and amendments thereto (Charter Ordinance 23, § 4 as amended by Charter Ordinance 52, § 2 [App. A, § A12-20]). The governing and administrative body shall be known as the Topeka Metropolitan Transit Authority. The authority shall conduct business in accordance with the charter ordinances as adopted and amended and its franchise as granted.

Membership. In accordance with City Code 2.05.060, the board shall consist of seven members who are registered voters, residents of the metropolitan area and recognized for business ability. Members shall be appointed by the mayor with the approval of the council and shall serve a four-year term.

Authority: KSA 12-2801 et seq. and Charter Ordinance No. 99

Term: Four years

Term limits: None

Meets: Monthly- 3rd Monday or Tuesday; day and time varies

Board members and term end dates:

Chair - Jim Daniels, 6/30/12. Phone: Email:

Matthew Gassen, 8/11/13; Jim Ogle, 8/11/13

Andy Sanchez, 4/30/14; Rodney Miller, 6/30/14;

Nancy Johnson, 6/30/14; Clark Trammell, 6/30/15;

Topeka Planning Commission.

Membership. In accordance with City Code 2.65.020 the Topeka Planning Commission shall consist of nine (9) members who shall be appointed as follows:

The Mayor with the consent of the City Council shall appoint a total of 9 members: seven (7) persons from within the corporate boundaries of the City, and two (2) persons who reside outside of the corporate limits but within the extra territorial area. Members shall not serve beyond their appointed terms.

At least six (6) members of the planning commission shall be appointed from the private sector. At least three (3) of the six (6) members appointed from the private sector shall be currently licensed, or engaged in, or have substantial past experience in the following fields or professions: licensed professional engineer; licensed landscape architect; licensed architect; certified planner; registered land surveyor; licensed contractor; developer or other experienced professional working in a field related to planning or land development.

Members appointed to the Topeka Planning Commission shall serve without compensation. Members may be removed for cause by the Mayor and City Council.

Removal for cause shall include, but not be limited to the following reasons: failure to attend four (4) planning commission meetings in one (1) calendar year, or failure to attend three (3) consecutive commission meetings in one (1) calendar year. In case of death, incapacity, resignation or disqualification of any member of the Topeka Planning Commission, the Mayor with consent of the City Council shall appoint another member for the unexpired term of the deceased, incapacitated, resigned or disqualified member.

Authority: Ordinance 18442

Terms: Three years

Term limits: Two consecutive terms

Meets: Monthly; time varies

Board members and term end dates:

Chair - Mike Lackey, 9/30/12. City Contact: David Thurbon; 368 - 3006

Dennis Haugh, 12/8/12; Peter Hancock, 6/30/13; Brett Klausman, 9/30/13; Kevin Beck, 9/30/13; June Ewing, 10/31/13; Richard Beardmore, 8/31/14; Scott Gales, 8/31/14; Michelle Cuevas-Stubblefield, 12/31/14

Topeka Landmarks Commission

Purpose: The purpose of the Landmarks Commission is to advise the city council on historic assets and to safeguard the architectural and cultural heritage of the community through the preservation of historic resources, historic landmarks and districts. The commission may carry out these duties through the identification, documentation and designation of historic assets; development and implementation of a historic preservation plan; administration of ordinances governing the designation, alteration and removal of historic assets; assistance with educational and incentive programs, economic development and tourism, and coordination of public and private historic preservation activities.

Members. In accordance with City Code 2.60.010, the Landmarks Commission shall be composed of nine members appointed by the mayor with approval of the city council and will serve without compensation. The Landmarks Commission membership shall be comprised of people who are residents of the city of Topeka and who have a demonstrated interest in historic preservation through their community and/or professional involvements. The members of the commission shall be drawn from such backgrounds as architecture, history, landscape architecture, architectural history, planning, archaeology, urban design, neighborhood and community development, geography, real estate, law, finance, building trades or related areas. A minimum of four members shall be preservation related professionals.

All terms shall be for a three year period. Members shall not serve beyond the end of their appointed terms. Members first appointed may be re-appointed for one

additional three-year term. No person shall be permitted to serve more than two full consecutive terms as a commission member. A period of at least three full years shall lapse prior to a former member being eligible to serve again.

Meetings. The landmarks commission shall meet at least once each month, with additional meetings upon call by the chairperson or upon petition of a majority of the members. All meetings shall be open to the public and notification shall be given in the official newspaper and to those who request notification. Unless otherwise required herein, five members present constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Ex-officio members. The following may sit on the landmarks commission as ex-officio members:

- a. The director or designee of the development services office;
- b. The director or designee of the city planning department.

Jurisdiction. The ordinance shall apply to the City of Topeka.

Authority: Ordinance No. 18420

Terms: Three years

Meets: Monthly, second Thursday at 5:30 PM – Holliday Bldg.

Term Limits: Two consecutive terms

Board members and term end dates:

Chair- City Contact: David Thurbon; 368 - 3006

Greg Allen, 12/15/12; Stacy Zwettler Keller, 1/26/13; Leon Graves, 1/26/13;

Lonnie Martin, 12/31/13; Pete Gierer, 3/31/14; Murl Riedel, 12/31/14;

Zach Snethen, 12/31/14

Topeka/Shawnee County Library District Board of Trustees.

Purpose: The board shall administer the Topeka and Shawnee County library and shall have the powers and duties as set forth in K.S.A. 12-1266 and amendments thereto. The board shall conduct its business in accordance with K.S.A. 12-1260 et seq. and any amendments thereto.

Membership. There is hereby established a library board of trustees in accordance with K.S.A. 12-1260 et seq. and any amendments thereto. The board shall consist of ten members in accordance with City Code 2.05.040, seven members shall be appointed by the mayor with consent of the council and shall be residents of the city. Three members shall be appointed by the county commissioners and shall be residents of the library district, who reside outside the corporate limits of the city and each in a different

commissioner district. Members shall be registered voters and shall serve four-year terms. Members shall serve without compensation.

Authority: KSA 12-1266 et seq

Term: Four years

Term limits: None. No provision for removal

Meets: Monthly, generally the third Thursday at 4 PM.

Chair - Michele Henry, 4/30/14. Phone: 862-2979 Email: mahenrys@aol.com

City board members and term end dates:

Robert Harder, 4/30/15; Elizabeth Ross, 4/30/15; Dan Guenther, 4/30/15; Jennifer Turner, 4/30/12; Kerry Storey, 4/30/13; David Monical, 4/30/15; Quentin Martin, 4/30/15

Washburn University of Topeka and the Board of Regents.

Created: There is hereby established in the city a municipal university as provided by K.S.A. 13-13a01 et seq. and amendments thereto. The university shall be known as Washburn University of Topeka.

Purpose: The management and control of the municipal university shall be vested in a board to be known as the board of regents of Washburn University of Topeka. By such name the municipal university may sue and be sued, issue contracts, and hold such real and personal property as it may acquire. Such university shall possess the usual powers of a corporation for public purposes.

Membership. In accordance with City Code 2.05.050, the Board of Regents of Washburn University shall consist of nine members appointed as follows:

- (1) Three members shall be appointed by the mayor with the approval of the council and shall hold office as provided in K.S.A. 13-3a05 and amendments thereto. Members appointed under this subsection shall be registered voters and residents of the city, one from each of the three districts from which state senators are elected by residents of the city.
- (2) Three members shall be appointed by the governor and shall hold office as provided in K.S.A. 13-13a06 and amendments thereto. Members appointed under this subsection shall be residents of the state.
- (3) One member shall be appointed by the Board of County Commissioners of Shawnee County and shall hold office as provided in K.S.A. 13-13a06 and amendments thereto; such member shall reside in Shawnee County, but outside the city.

- (4) One member shall be the mayor or another member of the council who is selected by the mayor.
- (5) One member shall be a member of the state board of regents selected by the state board at its regular meeting in September of each year, to serve as a member of the board of regents for the ensuing year.

Resignations from the board of regents shall be made to the chairperson of the board. The chairperson shall report any vacancy occurring in the board to the authority which appointed the member whose position is vacant. All vacancies shall be filled, by the authority which appointed the member whose position is vacant, by the appointment of a successor to hold office for the remainder of the unexpired term.

Immediately after receiving notification of their appointment, regents-elect shall take oath to uphold the Constitution of the United States and the constitution of the state, and faithfully, honestly and impartially to discharge the duties of their office. Regents shall serve without compensation.

The board of regents shall organize each year, electing from their own number a chairperson and such other officers as may be necessary for the full discharge of the duties imposed on them. A majority of the regents duly appointed and qualified at any time shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

The board of regents shall have the power to adopt a seal and generally to organize itself, prescribe its rules, the duties of its officers, and to do and perform all things, deeds and acts, and have all powers and prerogatives which are now by the provisions conferred upon the board of regents pursuant to K.S.A. 13-13a01 et seq. and any amendments thereto.

Authority: KSA 13-13a01

Terms: Four years

Term limits: None. No provisions for removal

Meets: Monthly

Chair:

City board members and term end dates:

Bob Storey, 6/30/13; Blanche Parks, 6/30/12; Jennifer Sourk, 6/30/15;

Mayor Bunten, concurrent with term in office

Board of Zoning Appeals.

Purpose. The purpose of the Topeka Board of Zoning Appeals is to administer the details of appeals from or other matters referred to it regarding the application of the

zoning regulations of the city. The Topeka Board of Zoning Appeals shall have the power to hear and determine appeals where it is alleged there is error in any order, requirement, decision or determination made by an administration official in the enforcement of the zoning regulations. The Topeka Board of Zoning Appeals may grant exceptions to the zoning regulations or variances in accordance with the procedures set forth in the Comprehensive Zoning Regulations as codified at City of Topeka Code. The Topeka Board of Zoning Appeals may also hear appeals of the sign ordinances. The Board of Zoning Appeals shall conduct business in accordance with the Comprehensive Zoning Regulations as codified in the Topeka City Code.

Membership. In accordance with City Code 2.045.20, the Topeka Board of Zoning Appeals shall consist of seven (7) members appointed by the mayor and approved by council. None of the members shall hold any other public office by the city except that two (2) members may be members of the Topeka Planning Commission. The members shall reside inside the corporate area of the City of Topeka.

Authority: Ordinance 18288

Term: Three years

Term limits: None

Meets: Monthly

Board members and term end dates:

Chair - Aaron Classi. City Contact: David Thurbon; 368 - 3006

Ryan Adams, 5/31/12; Marty Hazen, 9/30/12; Aaron Classi, 9/30/12; John Opgaard, 11/1/12; Tim Carkhuff, 7/31/13; Ryan Wenrich, 11/30/13; Mike Morse, 7/31/13

Riverfront Authority Board.

Purpose. The purpose of the authority is to promote the general welfare and encourage private capital investment by fostering the creation of recreational, retail, entertainment, economic development and housing within the river district.

Membership. The Riverfront Authority shall consist of six (6) members; three (3) appointed by the Shawnee County Commission and three (3) appointed by the Mayor and approved by the Council. Members shall be residents of the state of Kansas. No member shall be an elected official.

Authority: KSA 12-5601 et seq

Meetings: Quarterly, or as needed. Date, time and place vary.

Term: Three years

Term Limits: None

Board members and term end dates:

Chair: Phone: Email:

Doug Kinsinger, 8/31/14; Ralph Skoog, 8/31/13; Robin Jennison, 8/31/12

Topeka Sustainability Advisory Board.

Purpose. To promote environmental awareness and advocate for policies which support sustainability specifically including, but not limited to, environmental awareness, waste reduction, recycling, energy conservation and natural resource conservation in the City of Topeka, and to enhance the quality of life by improving the City's efforts in these areas.

Membership: In accordance with City Code 2.95.020, the Sustainability Advisory Board shall consist of nine members and be residents of the City of Topeka. No member may serve more than two (2) full consecutive terms. After the initial appointment of the board, all members shall serve two (2) year terms unless appointed to fill out an unexpired term.

At least five (5) of the nine (9) board members shall be currently licensed, have a degree in, be engaged in, or have substantial past experience in the fields of environmental awareness, waste reduction, recycling, energy conservation and/or natural resource conservation or a similar field relating to the environment or conservation.

Authority: Ordinance 19165

Meetings: 1st Friday of the month; 7:30 AM - TSC Public Library

Term: Two years

Term Limits: Two consecutive terms

Board members and term end dates:

Chair: Gina Penzig City Contact: Mike McGee; 368 - 1641

Gina Penzig, 12/15/12; Larry Graber, 12/15/12

Ryan Freed, 1/31/13; Stan Meyers, 1/31/13;

Derrick Carpenter, 2/28/13; Paul Post, 1/13/13; Shawn Geil, 2/28/13;

Kelly Jacobsen, 12/31/13; Deborah Swank, 2/28/14