

**COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS
2021**

Public Safety Chuck Owen, Chair
JoEllen Kesti
Karl de Jong
Staff liaison: Chief Tucker & Chief Klinger

Utilities JoEllen Kesti, Chair
Glenn Allen
Kevin Loy
Staff liaison: Mark Freiberger

**Finance, Personnel
& Risk Management** Brenda Kinzer, Chair
Chuck Owen
Brendan McGoffin
Staff liaison: Doug Merriman

Parks & Recreation Glenn Allen, Chair
Kevin Loy
Brendan McGoffin
Staff liaison: Nathan Salseina

Planning Brendan McGoffin, Chair
Brenda Kinzer
Chuck Owen
Staff liaison: John Coleman

**Business
Development** Karl de Jong, Chair
Brenda Kinzer
Glenn Allen
Staff liaison: Doug Merriman

Technology Kevin Loy, Chair
JoEllen Kesti
Karl de Jong
Staff liaison: Bill Chambers

Mayor Pro-tem JoEllen Kesti

COUNCIL COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

II. Council Committees

A. Annually, at the first meeting of the year, the Mayor shall appoint two councilmembers and a council chairperson to each standing committee of the Council, subject to confirmation by the city council.

B. Standing Committees

1. **Public Safety:** To consider issues and make recommendations to the full Council related to the police department, fire department, municipal court and public policies relevant to those departments.

2. **Utilities:** To consider issues and make recommendations to the full Council related to the City's sewer, storm water and solid waste utilities including operational policies, rates and related policies.

3. **Finance, Personnel & Risk Management:** To consider issues and make recommendations to the full Council related to financial management policies, financial reports and personnel issues including personnel policies.

4. **Parks & Recreation:** To consider issues and make recommendations to the full Council related to the parks department and the provisioning of parks and recreation programming in the City.

5. **Business Development:** To consider issues and make recommendations to the full Council related to the attraction of new businesses and the retention of existing businesses within the City.

6. **Planning:** To consider issues and make recommendations to the full Council related to long-term planning and growth in the City.

7. **Technology:** To consider issues and make recommendations to the full Council related to long-term planning for technology in the City.

C. The Role of City Council Committees

1. City Council Committees are intended to enhance communication between the Legislative Branch and the Executive Branch at the early phase of the development of significant items affecting public policy questions.

2. These Committees will enable City administration to obtain early feedback from representative members of the City Council on issues affecting public policy prior to their presentation, as necessary, to the full City Council.

3. City Council Committee members develop and maintain a deeper level of knowledge on matters of a technical nature which might affect public policy in order to increase the positive exchange of information and discussions between City Council members, City staff, and the public.
4. When appropriate, items may be considered by a City Council Committee before a final recommendation from the appropriate City Board or Commission (i.e., Planning Commission, Parks Board).
5. City Council Committees do not replace the City Council as final decision makers on behalf of the full City Council. Council Committees make no staff direction on administrative matters, specific assignments, or work tasks. If Committee members seek additional information from an outside party or consultant resulting in additional cost to the City, approval to incur such cost must be approved by the full City Council.
6. Any discussion or feedback expressed or received at a Committee meeting should not be construed or understood to be a decision by or for the City Council. Further, any recommendation the Committee may make to the City Council is based on information possessed by the Committee at the time the recommendation is made and may be revised or amended upon receipt by the Committee of additional or newer information.

D. Operational Guidelines and Functional Structure

1. City Council Committees consist of three Council members one of whom is the committee chair. The Mayor may attend and participate in all Committee meetings.
2. No member of the City Council may serve on more than three Committees.
3. Council Committees will meet at least quarterly.
4. Council Committees have no delegated authority from the City Council and shall not take testimony from the public.
5. The Staff Liaison will coordinate with the Mayor and City Supervisor on the preparation of the agenda to determine whether items will be presented to a Committee or placed on the Council's regular agenda to be considered by the full City Council. Any item may be referred to the full Council by the Committee considering that item.
6. The full City Council by majority vote may refer any item on its agenda to an appropriate Committee for further review and recommendation.
7. Committee meetings are intended to allow regular attendance by City Council Committee members, as well as the Staff Liaison, staff, the Mayor and the City Supervisor, as necessary. In order to prevent inadvertent violations of the Open Public Meetings Act, attendance by non-member Council members that will result in a quorum of the full City Council is prohibited.

8. The regular Council meeting agenda shall include an opportunity for Committee reports at which time any appointed Committee member may report to the Mayor and City Council on pertinent and timely issues before a Committee.

E. City Liaison Role

1. The City Supervisor serves as an advisor to each City Council Committee; however, each Committee has an identified staff liaison at the Director-level. The responsibilities of the Staff Liaison are as follows:

- a. Attend all meetings of the City Council Committee.
- b. Research information and prepare reports and correspondence as required for the Committee.
- c. Provide administrative support to the Committee, including distribution of documents to the Committee as required.
- d. Coordinate with the Committee chair to prepare agendas.
- e. Schedule meetings.
- f. Prepare Committee minutes within one week of the meeting and submit to the City Clerk for posting and distribution to the full City Council.
- g. Serve as the communication link between the Committee and City administration, City departments, and Council as appropriate.