

City Council Special Session: Appointment Process



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Charter Review Commission



- Current ordinance provides for 13 members appointed by Mayor
- Specific categories of expertise listed in ordinance include 7 community representatives; 2 former elected City officials; 1 former City employee; 1 individual with expertise in municipal law; 1 individual with expertise in human resources management; and 1 individual with expertise in municipal finance
- Must be qualified voters of the City, and maintain that status throughout the term of their appointment
- Members are appointed by the Mayor, for 2-year terms, coterminous with City Council

Opportunity Home (Housing Authority)



- State law states the “presiding officer of the governing body of a municipality shall appoint”
 - The Mayor appoints 7 persons to the Board of Commissioners
- State law prohibits commissioners from being employees or officers of the City
- State law requires membership to include either 1 or 2 renters that receive federal housing vouchers or are a recipient of federal housing choice or project based rental assistance programs
 - The number depends on the number of commissioners
- Changes must be made through state legislation to change appointment process or membership requirements

Housing Commission



- Current ordinance provides for 9 members each serving staggered two-year terms
- Ordinance defines membership to include 5 At-Large Community Members with a history of neighborhood engagement appointed by the Mayor
- The remaining 4 members are filled by the CEO/Executive Director, or their appointee, of the following organizations: Opportunity Home San Antonio; San Antonio Housing Trust; Greater: SATX Regional Economic Partnership; and VIA Metropolitan Transit.
- Mayor appoints the Chair from the members

CPS Energy Board of Trustees



- State law provides for the management and control of CPS by either City Council or a five (5) member board of trustees, one of whom must be the Mayor
- CPS Bond covenants provide that management and control is vested in a five (5) member board of trustees
- Trustees, who must reside in Bexar County, are nominated by the CPS Board and confirmed by City Council, utilizing quadrant representation
- Trustees may serve two 5-year terms, staggered

SAWS Board of Trustees



- State law provides for the management and control of SAWS by either City Council or a board of trustees consisting of at least 7 members, one of whom must be the Mayor
 - Trustees are typically interviewed by the Governance Committee
 - Confirmed by City Council, utilizing quadrant representation and north/south zone representation
- Trustees must reside inside City limits or within an area served by SAWS if located outside of City limits
- Trustees may serve two 4-year terms

VIA



- The City has 5 appointees to the 11-member board
- Members must be a registered voter in Texas, reside in the VIA service boundaries and serve staggered 2-year terms, limited to 4 terms
- State law requires one member to represent transportation disadvantaged users
- City ordinance requires one member to be a union representative nominated by the union
- Council approves the appointments



Thank you