

City Advisory Boards & Committees

Name of Board/Committee	Powers/Duties	Quasi-Judicial?	#Members	Terms	Appointed by	Residency Required?	Other Notes
ART IN PUBLIC PLACES TRUST	The Art In Public Places Trust Committee shall consist of five (5) regular members appointed for a project that qualifies for placement of art as described below. For each committee, whenever possible, two of the five appointed members shall be citizens with appreciation for the visual arts and three of the five appointed members shall be represent one or more of the following classifications: architect or interior designer, professional in the field of art, and art or architectural historian.	NO	5	for duration of each project	3 - City 2 - County	No	created by Ordinance 960440 (1/13/97)
BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY BOARD	The Board shall study and make recommendations to the City Commission, the County Commission, and the MTPO on all matters concerning planning, implementation, and maintenance of policies, programs, and facilities for the safe and efficient integration of bicycle transportation into the urban area transportation system. This shall include, but not be limited to, the design of highway bicycle facilities, bicycle paths, bicycle parking, and the enforcement of traffic and bicycle safety regulations. The board will make recommendations to the City Commission and the Organization regarding budgetary matters in connection with its duties.	NO	12	3 years	4 city, 4 county, 4 MTPO	Yes (for City appointees)	Resolution 95-3 (August 10, 1995)
BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT	The Board shall have the powers and duties under the zoning and building chapter provisions, of the City: 1) Administrative Review; 2) Special Exceptions; 3) Variances; 4) Decisions; and 5) Additional duties as may, by ordinance, be delegated to it and which shall pertain to the above assigned powers.	NO	5	3 years	City	Yes	Created by Ordinance 1997 (December 16, 1984).and Ordinance 3777).
BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE CONSOLIDATED POLICE OFFICERS' AND FIREFIGHTERS' RETIREMENT PLAN	The Board of Trustees oversees and administers the pensions of the Police Officers and Firefighters for the City of Gainesville	NO	5	2 years	2 - by City, 2 - by pension members, 1 chosen by other 4 members & appointed by City	Yes (city appointed)	Reference F.S. Chapters 175 and 185 and Ordinances 3342 (06/01/87) and 3439 (06/20/88).

CITIZENS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	The Citizens' Advisory Committee for Community Development (CACCD) makes recommendations to the City Commission and City Manager relating to the Community Development Program and shall lend support to, and seek support from, desirable programs and projects.	NO	15	3 years	City	No	Created by Resolution #R-74-144 (11/18/74), Reference Ordinance Numbers 1011, 1912, 2554
CITY BEAUTIFICATION BOARD	The City Beautification Board studies, investigates, develops, assists, advises, and recommends to the City Commission any and all matters pertaining to beautification, sanitation, environment and citizens' participation relating to same. In carrying out its function and duties, the board shall advise and recommend plans to organizations and groups in the City and promote public interest in the general improvement of the appearance of the City.	NO	15	3 years	City Commission	No	Created by Ordinance 1011 (10/10/60); amended by Ordinance 1912 (08/20/73), Ordinance 2554 (10/03/77), Ordinance 3195 (02/17/86), and Ordinance 3222 (06/02/86) and 950289 (7/24/95)
CITY PLAN BOARD	The City Plan Board (CPB) gathers information and makes recommendations to the City Commission on a comprehensive plan of the City showing all major projected changes; the needs of the City with regard to recreation, parks and boulevards, the extension and opening of streets and avenues or other public ways or places and all other city plans and improvements; and changes and improvements in building and fire limit ordinances.	NO	7	3 years	City Commission	Yes (60 Day Probationary Period)	Ordinance Numbers 874, 1158, 1998, and 3777
DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD	The Development Review Board is a citizen board to review and approve or deny development plans submitted for its review pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 30 of the Gainesville Code of Ordinances; and shall be composed whenever possible of at least one from each of the following: 1) An architect or landscape architect; 2) A Civil Engineer; 3) A person engaged in real estate sales or development; 4) A professional with experience in natural or environmental sciences.	NO	7	3 years	City Commission	Yes (60 Day Probationary Period)	Created by Ordinance 3679 (November 19, 1990) and Ordinance 3777 (June 10, 1992).

FIRE SAFETY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT	The Fire Safety Board of Adjustment serves as an Appeals Board and to the greatest extent possible are qualified by training and experience in building construction and fire safety standards, and hereby authorized to hear appeals and to vary the application of any provision of the City of Gainesville Code when the City Code and the Building Code are in conflict.	NO	5	3 years	City Commission	No	Ordinance 3388
GAINESVILLE CODE ENFORCEMENT SPECIAL MAGISTRATE	The Gainesville Code Enforcement Special Magistrate shall have jurisdiction to hear and decide cases in which violations are alleged of any provisions of the Gainesville City codes and ordinances relating to buildings, electrical code, fire protection, housing code, licenses, plumbing, signs and street graphics, ventilation, heating, air conditioning, refrigeration, and zoning.	YES	1 for terms set forth in a signed contract	one-year with up to four one-year extensions	Position is advertised. Applicants are interviewed and selected by a panel, including the City Atty	Alachua County Residency	Ordinance 121102
GAINESVILLE ENERGY ADVISORY COMMITTEE	The Gainesville Energy Advisory Committee (GEAC) advises the City Commission on energy policy matters and reviews the continuing work of the Energy Management and Consumers Affairs Department. The committee will be involved with the other community organizations in developing an Energy Action Plan for the City of Gainesville and making recommendations to the City Commission for implementation.	NO	9	3 years	City Commission	no	Ordinance 2815 (01/24/83)
GAINESVILLE ENTERPRISE ZONE DEVELOPMENT AGENCY	To carry out the economic development and redevelopment purposes of Chapter 290, Florida Statutes. Pursuant to s. 290.0056 composition must be 8-13 members; commissioners must be appointed by Ordinance. At least one representative from each of the following must be appointed to the Board of Commissioners: 1) chamber of commerce; 2) local finance or insurance entity; 3) business operating within the nominated area; 4) resident residing within the nominated area; 5) non-profit community based organization operating within the nominated area; 6) the local private industry council; 7) local code enforcement agency; and 8) the local law enforcement agency.	NO	8	4 years		No	Ordinance 4073 (04/24/95)

GAINESVILLE HOUSING AUTHORITY	The Gainesville Housing Authority (GHA) establishes policy of the Authority and is responsible for the planning, financing, construction, leasing, managing and maintaining of low rent public housing, subject to applicable laws and contractual relations with U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and the City Commission. GHA created by Resolution, August 1966. Note: Members of the GHA are referred to as Commissioners.	NO	5	4 years		No	Created by Resolution, August 1, 1966 - Page 572, Minute Book 73). Amended by Resolutions R-84-70 (09-17-84) and R-88-27 (08-01-88)
GAINESVILLE HUMAN RIGHTS BOARD	The Gainesville Human Rights Board serves as a Quasi-Judicial board authorized to: 1) adopt rules and procedures necessary to conduct the business of the board; 2) subpoena and compel the production of evidence necessary for investigation of complaints filed for any alleged discrimination based upon sexual orientation, race, color, gender, age, religion, national origin, marital status, disability, or gender identity as it relates to housing, employment, public accommodation, and fair credit; and, 3) provide for informational, educational, and civil actions, penalties, and other remedies to carry out the purposes of this chapter.	Yes	7	3 years	City Commission	Yes	Created by Ordinance 980524 (12/14/98) amending Chapter 8 of the Code of Ordinances
GAINESVILLE/ALACHUA COUNTY CULTURAL AFFAIRS BOARD	The Gainesville/Alachua County Cultural Affairs Board (GACCAB) advises the Director of the Department of Cultural Affairs in the promotion of fine arts, literary arts, performing arts and crafts, develops local art resources and assists the Director of the Department of Cultural Affairs in the planning and implementation of community arts involvement in and around the City of Gainesville. CULTURAL AFFAIRS BOARD SUBCOMMITTEES: 1) Arts Education; 2) Budget and Grants; 3) Planning; 4) Outreach; 5) Cultural and Economic Development	NO	15	3 years	10 - City Commission 5- Alachua County Commission	No	Reference Ordinances 2397, 3154, 3486 and 3913. Ordinance 3427 (03/28/88). Ordinance 3586 (11/14/88). Ordinance 3913 (10/18/93). Ordinance 960440 (adopted 01/13/97).
GAINESVILLE/ALACHUA COUNTY REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY	The purpose of the Authority is to manage and operate the airport and airport facilities, hereby creating a dependent special district to be known as the Gainesville/Alachua County Regional Airport Authority.	NO	9	3 years	1- Alachua County Commission 5-City Commission 3-Governor	No	Created by HB 1419 of the 1986 Florida Legislature

<p>HISTORIC PRESERVATION BOARD</p>	<p>The responsibility of the Historic Preservation Board (HPB) shall be to: 1) update the official inventory of cultural resources and submit recommendations and documentation to the City Commission; 2) develop programs to stimulate public interest in urban neighborhood conservation policies and goals; 3) advise property owners concerning funding and grant sources which might be available for the identification, protection, enhancement, perpetuation, and use of historic, architectural, archeological, and cultural resources; 4) cooperate with city, county, regional, state and federal government agencies in planning proposed and future projects to reflect the concerns and policies expressed in this article, and assist in the development of proposed and future land use plans; 5) advise property owners and local governmental agencies concerning the proper protection, maintenance, enhancement and preservation of cultural resources; 6) advise the City Commission concerning the effects of local governmental actions on cultural resources; 7) review and recommend sites, buildings, structures, objects, areas and districts, both public and private, for listing on the local register for historic places; and otherwise further the objectives and purposes defined in section 12-2 of the Gainesville Code of Ordinances.</p>	<p>NO</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>3 years (two consecutive term limit)</p>	<p>City Commission</p>	<p>Yes</p>	<p>Ordinance 2842 (03/28/83); Ordinance 3541 (Name Change) (06/12/89)</p>
<p>NATURE CENTERS COMMISSION</p>	<p>The Nature Centers Commission (NCC) assists the City Commission through recommendations and advice given in respect to developing programs, ordinances, use regulations and resource management policies as required to protect the natural system and other values to the Nature Centers of the City of Gainesville.</p>	<p>NO</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>3 years</p>	<p>City Commission</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>Created by Ordinance 2062 (07/21/75); amended by Ordinances 2592 (04/27/81) and 3088 (12/17/84).</p>
<p>PENSION REVIEW COMMITTEE</p>	<p>The Committee shall assist the City Commission in carrying out its fiduciary responsibility as Board of Trustees of the City's pension funds by acting as an Advisory Committee on investment matters and Board referrals. The Committee shall also review investment policies and Investment Manager performance. SUCCESSFUL INVESTMENT AND ADVISORY EXPERIENCE REQUIRED</p>	<p>NO</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>5 years</p>	<p>City Commission</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>Created by Ordinance No. 31409; Reference Resolutions R-8338 (07/11/83); R-83-65 (10/03/83) and R-84-39 (06/04/84) and Resolution 001219 (05/14/01)</p>

<p>PUBLIC RECREATION AND PARKS BOARD</p>	<p>The Public Recreation Board (PRB) advises the City Commission and offers recommendations as to the needs of the City on all matters pertaining to recreation within the City.</p>	<p>NO</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>3 years</p>	<p>City Commission appoints 3 (three year terms) plus 2 ex-officio. 1-School board 1-Alachua County and 1-Student Adjunct</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>Code of 1949 amended with Ordinance 1650 (01/05/70) and Ordinance 2592 (04/27/81). Name changed from Public Recreation Board 01/23/06, #050420</p>
<p>REGIONAL TRANSIT SYSTEM ADVISORY BOARD</p>	<p>The duties of the Regional Transit System Advisory Board shall be to advise the City Commission on all matters relating to public transit development in the City of Gainesville and Alachua County including 1) to develop and analyze policies concerning the operation of the regional transit system; 2) to develop approaches for financing the regional transit system on a long-term basis; 3) to review rider-ship, routes, rates and other related matters; 4) to consider questions referred to it by the City Commission. All recommendations must include City Manager or designee comments. And, to review all matters relating to the Regional Transit System that must be approved by the City Commission. The issues will then be sent to the City Commission with the recommendations of both the board and City Manager or designee.</p>	<p>NO</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>3 years</p>	<p>6- City Residents appointed by City Commission 3-Residents of Alachua County appointed by the County Commission from select groups (RTS riders, Senior Citizens, Person with Disability, UF student, SFC student, Chamber of Commerce, Local major employer, homeowner assoc, student housing, MTPO Advisory committee)</p>	<p>Yes</p>	<p>Ordinance 960051 (March 10, 1997)</p>

<p>STATE HOUSING INITIATIVES PARTNERSHIP</p>	<p>The State Housing Initiatives Partnership Affordable Housing Advisory Committee (SHIP AHAC) makes recommendations to the City Commission and City Manger relating to the SHIP Program; makes recommendations for strategies to reduce regulatory barriers to developing affordable housing in the community; and shall lend support to, and seek support from, desirable programs and projects. The advisory committee may perform other duties at the request of the City including making recommendations to the City Commission and City Manager for other City funded programs.</p>	<p>NO</p>	<p>11 members as required by state law (1) residential home building; (1) banking or mortgage; (1) representative of labor for home building (1) advocate for low-income persons; (1) advocate for low income persons; (1) not-for-profit provider; (1) real estate professional; (1) who actively serves on the City Plan Board; (1) represents employers within the jurisdiction; (1) represents essential services personnel; (1) other citizen in connection with affordable housing</p>	<p>2 years (three consecutive two-year terms)</p>	<p>City Commission</p>	<p>Yes</p>	<p>Florida Administrative Code Sect. 420 Chapter 67-37 and Gainesville Ordinance 070872 (April 14, 2008)</p>
<p>STUDENT COMMUNITY RELATIONS ADVISORY BOARD</p>	<p>The goal of the Student Community Relations Advisory Board is to strive for a more cohesive non-student and student community; to act as a vehicle for students and non-students to voice their concerns and opinions; to review, discuss and forward recommendations as appropriate, on issues, concerns and intiatives relevant to students and non-students; to assess and address needs of non-students as they pertain to student issues; to be a knowledgeable liaison between the City Commission and the students and non-students of Gainesville; to encourage involvement by non-students and students in planning and implementation of improvements; and to ensure that student issues are addressed by providing a link between the students, non-students, and the City Commission.</p>	<p>NO</p>	<p>7 (3 students, 3 non-students, 1 admin) Two additional administrators can be appointed from postsecondary educational institutions to be non-voting members of the board</p>	<p>2 years</p>	<p>City Commission</p>	<p>Yes</p>	<p>Division 15 Sec 2-430.51-55</p>

<p>TREE ADVISORY BOARD</p>	<p>The Board shall act as the technical information collector; clarify tree regulations; act on referrals; guide the creation of a Master Tree Plan; assist in the development of the goals and objectives for the City's Comprehensive Plan with respect to trees; advise all departments of the City on tree issues; communicate general tree information; and develop tree projects; serve on the Tree Board of Appeals.</p>	<p>NO</p>	<p>5 (4 members should have knowledge of urban forestry)</p>	<p>3 years (term expires on January 1 of the year the term expires)</p>	<p>City Commission</p>	<p>Alachua County Residency</p>	<p>Ordinance 3592 (1-22-90) and 090878 (6-6-13)</p>
<p>TREE BOARD OF APPEALS</p>	<p>The Tree Board of Appeals has been established to hear appeal regarding dangerous or dead trees designated for removal (including those recommended for removal (including those recommended for removal by the City Arborist)</p>	<p>NO</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>3 years</p>	<p>Nominated by the Big Tree Committee and appointed by City Commission</p>	<p>Alachua County Residency</p>	<p>Ordinance 3529 (04/10/89)</p>
<p>WILD SPACES & PUBLIC PLACES CITIZEN OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE</p>	<p>The purpose of this committee is to ensure citizens and elected officials that funds approved through the Wild Spaces & Public Places tax referendum are expended only for: 1) parks and recreation facilities that were on approved project lists attached to the Sales Surtax Ordinance approved by the Alachua County Commission and 2) conservation land purchases consistent with referendum language. The committee has two basic responsibilities -- 1. Track overall expenditure of one-half percent sales tax revenues 2. Assure one-half percent sales tax revenue is spent only on eligible projects.</p>	<p>NO</p>					