



Give Back **TO YOUR COMMUNITY**

Consider volunteering on a City of Richland Board, Commission, or Committee!

Serving on a board, commission or committee is one way Richland citizens can volunteer and get involved with their city government. Richland's various boards, commissions, and committees serve the City in numerous ways, including rendering advice to City Council, deciding appeals or civil violations, reviewing and making recommendations on land use and other related regulations, and taking public testimony on the City's behalf. Most appointments to the City's boards, commissions, and committees are made by the Richland City Council.

Upcoming openings include:

- **Arts Commission**
- **Board of Adjustment**
- **Code Enforcement Board**
- **Economic Development Committee**
- **Parks & Recreation Commission**
- **Personnel Committee**
- **Planning Commission**

Applications will be accepted beginning January 20, 2025, and will continue to be accepted until positions are filled. For more information, please call the City Clerk's Office at 509-942-7389.

Apply Online at:

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What does each Board, Commission, or Committee do?

Arts Commission

Supports City Council by encouraging and supporting the arts in Richland to improve the quality of life, strengthen economic development and revitalize the community. The Arts Commission serves as an advisory body to City Council and staff to provide expertise on visual, performing, and literary arts to enrich the cultural life of the community.

Board of Adjustment

The Board conducts public hearings and makes decisions on applications for special use permits; grants permits when requirements are fully met; grants or denies variances to the regulations or restrictions in the Richland Municipal Code (RMC) when the variance is in harmony with general purposes and intent of the code; and hears and decides on appeals to administrative interpretations of the City's Zoning Code.

Code Enforcement Board

Conducts hearings on civil violations of the RMC; determines whether a civil violation of the RMC has occurred; assesses monetary penalties in instances where the Board determines that civil violations of the RMC have occurred; adopts rules of procedure for hearings concerning civil violations of the RMC; conducts hearings on appeal of any notice of civil trespass issued under Chapter 2.34 RMC; performs such other duties and provides such additional information, assistance and advice to the City Council as the City Council may request or direct.

Economic Development Committee

Formulates economic goals, strategies and policies for the City in a structured framework providing both time and measurement criteria, and assesses existing economic development policies for the purpose of recommending modifications, as may be appropriate, to assure achievement of economic goals approved by City Council.

Parks and Recreation Commission

Serves as an advisor to City Council in order to promote parks, trails, open space and recreation for the City; provides recommendations on matters related to the provision of parks and recreation facilities and services that promote healthy lifestyles and contribute to the quality of life for all citizens; regularly reviews and provides recommendations on updating the parks, trails and open space master plan and the individual venue master plans based on needs assessment, utilization data, staff proposals, and public input; reviews and recommends rules and regulations for the use of public grounds, facilities and equipment.

Personnel Committee

Monitors the administration and grading of competitive examinations and hears appeals on any disciplinary action resulting in suspension, demotion, reduction in pay or termination; any alleged violation of the established personnel plan related specifically to hiring or promotional opportunities and any challenge to the reasonableness of the appointing authority's actions related to a reduction in force.

Planning Commission

Prepares a comprehensive plan for the orderly physical and social development of the City; recommends regulation amendments, extensions, or additions to regulations or plans for the physical development of the City in the interest of health, safety, or general welfare; reviews federal requirements for the administration of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME programs and makes recommendations on program procedures; reviews CDBG grant applications and makes recommendations to City Council; serves as an advisory body to the City Council as directed.