

Hillsboro Citizens are Encouraged to Apply for
PUBLIC SERVICE/VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES
On Various Board/Commission/Committees

AN OVERVIEW OF THE CITY OF HILLSBORO BOARD/COMMISSION/ COMMITTEE
RESPONSIBILITIES AND MEETING SCHEDULES

Airport Advisory Board

Seven members of this Advisory Board review issues related to the operation of the City Airport.

Meets as needed at various locations during the year.

Hillsboro Economic Development Corp.

Seven members of this Legislative Board are charged with the responsibility of promoting economic development and advising the City Council with regard to incentives as they relate to the City's development within the commercial and industrial district. Efforts of the Economic Development Corp. are designed to help strengthen and diversify the local economy.

Note: The seven (7) appointed members of The Hillsboro Economic Development Corporation shall serve concurrently as members of the Hillsboro Industrial Development Corporation.

Meets as needed at various locations during the year.

Hillsboro Historic Preservation Commission

Seven members of this Advisory Commission (which includes the Main Street Manager, designated as a permanent member) are responsible for developing and maintaining a historic preservation ethic as an ongoing process of education for the community and for the local Main Street program. The historic buildings and public spaces of a traditional commercial district enrich civic life and add value. The Historic Preservation Commission and the Main Street programs that have embraced a strong historic preservation ethic are successful in saving, rehabilitating and finding new uses for traditional commercial buildings and in intensifying the uses of the district's buildings, through both specific building improvement projects and through policies that attract investment in and enable the development of property while preserving historic integrity.

Meets the first Thursday of each month-6:00 p.m.-Historic City Hall, 127 E. Franklin St.

Hillsboro Housing Finance Corp.

(This five member Legislative Board has not been filled in several years.)

Local Housing Finance Corporations (HFC) provides a local focus on local housing needs. To meet their missions HFCs provide programs needed in their communities, which may include: (a) low interest mortgage products for first time homebuyers (resulting from tax-exempt bond financing or the issuance of mortgage credit certificates) (b) down payment & closing cost assistance, (c) build infill housing (d) home rehabilitation programs and many other activities to assist in the provision of safe, decent, and affordable housing in their communities.

Hillsboro Public Housing Authority Board

(This seven member Legislative Board has not been filled in several years.)

The public housing authority law of Texas LGC 392.001 provides: for a housing authority in any municipality where the City Council has found that (1) unsanitary or unsafe inhabited dwellings exist in the municipality, or (2) that there is a shortage of safe and sanitary dwelling accommodations in the municipality available to persons of low income at rentals they can afford. (From Municipal Law and Procedure Manual 22.01 Housing Authority)

Library Board of Trustees

Seven members of this Advisory Board are responsible for making informed recommendations regarding library services and programs. *Meets the 3rd Monday of each month-10:00 a.m. - City Library.*

Main Street Board

Seven members of this Advisory Board are committed to the following: The Hillsboro Main Street Board envisions downtown as the heart of our community where we encourage the preservation of historic architecture and enrich the lifestyle of our citizens and visitors. (Vision Statement) To promote commercial district revitalization through the context of historic preservation in Downtown Hillsboro using the Main Street Program's four point approach: design, organization, promotion and economic restructuring. (Mission Statement)

Meets the first Monday of each month-12 Noon. – Historic City Hall, 127 E. Franklin St.

Parks Advisory Board

Seven members of this Advisory Board are responsible for making informed recommendations on planning and development of park and recreational facilities, park maintenance, operations and use of the City parks, playgrounds and open spaces.

Meets the first Wednesday of each month-6:00 p.m. - Historic City Hall, 127 E. Franklin St.

Planning & Zoning Commission

Seven members of this Advisory Board will make studies and project plans for the improvement of the City, with a view toward its future development and extension and recommend to City Council all matters for the development and advancement of the City's facilities, layout and appearance. The Commission will investigate, consider and report to Council upon the layout or platting of new subdivisions of the City or of property situated within the City's extraterritorial jurisdiction. To recommend to the City Council for adoption and promulgation of rules and regulations governing plats and subdivision of land within the corporate limits of the City to promote the health, safety, morals and general welfare of the community, and the safe, orderly and healthful development of the community.

Meets as needed on the second or fourth Monday of each month-6:00 p.m. - Historic City Hall, 127 E. Franklin St.

Zoning Board of Adjustment

Seven members of this Legislative Board hear and decide special exceptions to the terms of the City's Zoning Ordinance; and to authorize in specific cases such variance from the terms of the Zoning Ordinance if the variance is not contrary to the public interest, and, due to special conditions, a literal enforcement of the provisions of ordinance would result in unnecessary hardship, and so that the spirit of the Ordinance shall be observed and substantial justice done. The Board may reverse or affirm, in whole or in part, or modify the Community Development Director's order requirement, decision or determination of which an appeal is taken and make the correct order, requirement, decision, or determination, and for that purpose the board has the same authority as the Community Development Director; to hear and decide appeals when it is alleged there is an error in any order, requirement, decision, or determination made by an Community Development Director in the enforcement of Zoning Ordinance O2007-01-01.

Meets as needed on the second Thursday of each month at 6:00 p.m.-Historic City Hall, 127 E. Franklin St.