

# CITY OF OBERLIN, OHIO BOARDS, COMMISSIONS & COMMITTEES

2023-2025

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## CITY GOVERNMENT: BOARDS, COMMISSIONS & COMMITTEES ROSTER

<b>Central Lorain County Joint Ambulance District (One-Year Term)</b>	
<b>Member</b>	<b>End of Term</b>
Kristin Peterson (Primary)	December 31, 2023
Kelley Singleton (Alternate)	December 31, 2023
Marilyn Siekeres, Fiscal Officer	Fiscal Officer

<b>Charter Review Committee – Eleven-member committee that undertakes a Comprehensive Review of the Oberlin City Charter, and makes recommendations to the Oberlin City Council for amendments and/or revisions to the Charter. Meets on the second and fourth Wednesday of the month, at 85 S. Main Street @ 7:00 p.m. (2- year term).</b>	
<b>Member</b>	<b>End of Term</b>
Heather Adelman	March 1, 2024
Scott Broadwell, Vice Chair	March 1, 2024
Bryan Burgess, Secretary	March 1, 2024
Frank Carlson	March 1, 2024
Farah Emeka	March 1, 2024
William Jindra, Chair	March 1, 2024
Charles Peterson	March 1, 2024
Kristin Peterson	March 1, 2024
Ronnie Rimbert	March 1, 2024
Jill Sawyer	March 1, 2024
Linda Slocum, Secretary	March 1, 2024

<b>City Records Commission – Five-member commission provides rules for retention and disposal of records of the City corporation and to review applications for one-time disposal and schedules of records retention and disposition submitted by City offices. Meets on a bi-annual basis, at 85 S. Main Street in Conference Room 1 @ 10:00 a.m. (Full Term 3 years)</b>	
<b>Member</b>	<b>End of Term</b>
Belinda Anderson, Chair	Unlimited
Jon D. Clark, Law Director	Unlimited
Sal Talarico, Finance Director	Unlimited
Sara Podrosky, City Manager Designee	Unlimited
Christopher Mason	December 31, 2024
Eboni A. Johnson	Council Liaison
Briana Reynolds	Secretary

<b>Civil Service Commission – Five-member commission conducts practical and impartial examinations, provides a list of eligible employees, and arrange for promotions to positions within the Classified Service, and hears appeals on disciplinary matters involving Oberlin municipal employees. Meets on an “as needed” basis. (Staggered Terms, Full Term 3 years)</b>	
<b>Member</b>	<b>End of Term</b>
Duane Anderson	December 31, 2024
Michael Henle	December 31, 2023
Robert Graves	December 31, 2025
Eric Reighley	December 31, 2023
Jennifer Wilson	December 31, 2025
Ray English	Council Liaison
Rosalind Watson, HR Administrator	Staff Support
Diane Ramos	Secretary

**Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee – Fifteen-member committee that develops a Comprehensive Plan indicating the intended location, extent, purpose, features, or characteristics of public and private development, including land use, structures, roads and other transportation, community facilities, housing, utilities, drainage facilities, and other aspects of the goals and objectives, and recommendations therefor. Meets on an “as needed” basis, at 36 S. Prospect Street (Annual Term)**

<b>Member</b>	<b>End of Term</b>
Jack Ford	December 31, 2023
Katie Ashwill	December 31, 2023
Jill Sawyer	December 31, 2023
Sylvan Long	December 31, 2023
Nancy Wall	December 31, 2023
Heather Elmer	December 31, 2023
Bryce Johnson	December 31, 2023
Matt Adelman	December 31, 2023
Dawn Calvert	December 31, 2023
Kelley Singleton	December 31, 2023
Michael J. McFarlin, Vice Chair	December 31, 2023
Ray English, Chair	December 31, 2023
Tracie Haynes	December 31, 2023
Greggor Mattson	December 31, 2023
Ruth Palmer	December 31, 2023
Carrie Porter	Staff Support/Secretary

**Fire Code Board of Appeals – Five-member board hears and decides appeals of orders, decisions rendered by the Fire Chief or Municipal Fire Safety Inspector pertaining to the City of Oberlin Fire Prevention Codes. The board shall consist of the members of that comprise the Housing Renewal Commission. The terms of the members of the Fire Code Board of Appeals shall coincide with such member’s term on the Housing Renewal Commission. Meets on an “as needed” basis. (Staggered Terms, Full Term 3 years)**

<b>Member</b>	<b>End of Term</b>
Robert Hanmer, Fire Chief, Ex Officio	Unlimited
Alexander Kosman	December 31, 2025
Alan Campbell	December 31, 2024
Sue Hiesser	December 31, 2023
Gerard Findlan	December 31, 2025
Nancy Wall	December 31, 2023
Bryan Burgess	Council Liaison
Chris Yates, Code Administrator	Secretary

**Firefighters’ Dependents Fund Board – Five-member board authorized to make all necessary rules and regulations for the handling and processing of claims which may be submitted to it due to a volunteer firefighter’s death or becoming totally and permanently disabled while discharging his/her duty. The board shall perform all such other duties as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of Ohio Revised Code Chapter 146. Meets on an “as needed” basis. (One Year Term)**

<b>Member</b>	<b>End of Term</b>
Mike Streator, Chair	December 31, 2023
Ben Ryba, Vice Chair	December 31, 2023
Kelley Singleton	December 31, 2023
Sue Hiesser	December 31, 2023
Heather Adelman	December 31, 2023
Briana Reynolds	Secretary

**Historic Preservation Commission – Five-member commission protects and promotes the historic character of the City and oversees the appearance of construction and renovation projects and recommends to City Council the designation of landmarks and historic districts. Meets the third Tuesday of every other month, at 69 S. Main Street in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room, @ 4:00 p.m. (Staggered Terms, Full Term 3 Years)**

<b>Member</b>	<b>End of Term</b>
Douglas Rutherford	December 31, 2023
Maren McKee, Vice Chair	December 31, 2025
Dorothy Washburn	December 31, 2023
Cynthia Comer, Chair	December 31, 2025
Maureen Simen	December 31, 2023
Kristin Peterson	Council Liaison
Carrie Porter, Planning/ Dev. Director	Staff Support
Saundra Phillips	Secretary

**Housing Renewal Commission – Five-member commission hears and decides appeals resulting from any decision made by a city administrative office in enforcing housing ordinances. The commission may also authorize variances, provided they do not conflict with the public interest. This board also fulfills the charge of the Fire Code Board of Appeals. Meets on an “as needed” basis. (Staggered Term, Full Term 3 Years)**

<b>Member</b>	<b>End of Term</b>
Alexander Kosman	December 31, 2025
Alan Campbell	December 31, 2024
Sue Hiesser	December 31, 2023
Gerard Findlan	December 31, 2025
Nancy Wall	December 31, 2023
Bryan Burgess	Council Liaison
Chris Yates, Code Administrator	Staff Support/Secretary

**Human Relations Commission – Five-member commission works toward a wholesome attitude of mutual respect and understanding among all people and organizations within the City. The commission may enter into any alleged disputes, disagreements, misunderstandings or acts which involve the unlawful or unfair infringement upon basic human rights or freedoms guaranteed by law and investigate them, presenting reports, facts, findings and recommendations to Council, and serves in an advisory and consultative capacity to the City and to the City administration. Meets the First Tuesday of the month, at 85 S. Main Street in Conference Room 1 @ 5:15 p.m. (Staggered Terms, Full Term 3 years)**

<b>Member</b>	<b>End of Term</b>
Mary Parks	December 31, 2025
Katie Ashwill, Vice Chair	December 31, 2024
David Dorsey	December 31, 2023
Michael Henle, Chair	December 31, 2025
Matthew Berkman	December 31, 2023
Elizabeth J. Meadows	Council Liaison
Chris Yates, Code Administrator	Staff Support/Secretary

**Income Tax Board of Review – Three-member board hears appeals made by any person dissatisfied with any ruling or decision of the income Tax Administrator. Meets on an “as needed” basis. (2-Year Term)**

<b>Member</b>	<b>End of Term</b>
Duane Anderson	December 31, 2023
Gerard Findlan	December 31, 2023
Jeff Baumann, CM Appointee	December 31, 2023
Sal Talarico, Finance Director	Staff Liaison

**Library Board of Trustees – Seven-member board responsible for establishing the mission and vision for the Oberlin Public Library, determining the policies that are implemented to govern the library, hiring and evaluating the director of the library, and overseeing the general management of the library to ensure that the local community is represented well and the public is informed regarding their local library. Meets the second Thursday of every month, at 65 S. Main Street @5:00 p.m. Members serve four-year terms which are staggered with three-member terms ending 2 years earlier than the other three.**

<b>Member</b>	<b>End of Term</b>
Melissa Stalnaker	December 31, 2024
Bethany Baker, Vice President	December 31, 2026
Meredith Gadsby, President	December 31, 2024
Marcia Peterson	December 31, 2026
Phyllis Yarber-Hogan	December 31, 2026
Megan Newson	December 31, 2024
Lili Sandler	December 31, 2024

**Lorain County General Health District (5 year term-jointly Appointed by Amherst and Oberlin in 2014)**

<b>Member</b>	<b>End of Term</b>
Edward Von Hofen	March 31, 2024

**Oberlin Community Improvement Corporation (OCIC) Board - Oberlin Community Improvement Corporation is a non-profit corporation formed under Chapters 1702 and 1724 of the Ohio Revised Code for the sole purpose of advancing, encouraging, and promoting industrial, economic, commercial and civic development within the City of Oberlin. Meets Monthly the second Wednesday of every other month, at 85 S. Main Street in Conference Room 1 @ 8:00 a.m.**

**Public Sector Members - (2 Year Staggered Terms)**

<b>Member</b>	<b>End of Term</b>
Sandra Miller	December 31, 2023
Jill Sawyer, Chair	December 31, 2023
Jack Ford	December 31, 2024
Kelley Singleton, Vice Chair	December 31, 2023
Heather Adelman	December 31, 2023
Michael J. McFarlin	December 21, 2024
Sal Talarico	December 31, 2024

**Private Sector Members – (3 Year Staggered Terms)**

<b>Member</b>	<b>End of Term</b>
Jessa New	December 31, 2024
Jason Williams	December 31, 2025
Janet K. Haar	December 31, 2025
Deb Barman	December 31, 2023
Jon Clark, Legal Counsel	Legal Counsel
Sal Talarico, Finance Director	Treasurer
Carrie Porter, Planning/ Dev. Director	Staff Support/ Secretary

**Ohio Municipal Electric Association – Sixteen-member board is legislative liaison for eighty – one (81) Ohio municipal electric systems and serves to protect the independence and constitutional rights of these municipal electric systems. The OMEA also serves as the legislative liaison to AMP and represents both the State and Federal legislative interests for AMP member systems. Meets four times a year (4-year Term)**

<b>Member</b>	<b>End of Term</b>
Kristin Peterson	December 31, 2024

**Open Space & Visual Environment Commission – Five-member commission serves as an advisory body to City Council and shall cooperate with all other City, County and State agencies which are active in the area of open space development and preservation. Meets the fourth Tuesday of the month, at 85 S. Main Street in Conference Room 2 @ 5:00 p.m. (Staggered Terms, Full 3 Year Terms)**

<b>Member</b>	<b>End of Term</b>
Sylvan Long, Chair	December 31, 2023
Martin Buck	December 31, 2025
Carl Gerber	December 31, 2023
Carmen McFarlin	December 31, 2023
Christopher Kulhanek, Vice Chair	December 31, 2025
Elizabeth J. Meadows	Council Liaison
Jeff Baumann, Public Works Director	Staff Support
Sheri Runals	Secretary

**Planning Commission – Five-member commission holds public hearings pertaining to the plan, design, location, removal, relocation, widening, extension, and vacation of streets, parkways, playgrounds and other public places; the approval of plats for subdivision of land; and the zoning of the City for any lawful purpose. The Commission endeavors to formulate plans for the future physical development of the City. Meets the first Wednesday of the month, at 85 S. Main Street in Conference Room 2 @ 4:30 p.m. (Staggered Term, Full Term 3 Years)**

<b>Member</b>	<b>End of Term</b>
Peter Crowley	December 31, 2025
Mark Koza, Vice Chair	December 31, 2024
Deb Barman	December 31, 2023
Jill Sawyer	December 31, 2025
Jack Ford, Chair	December 31, 2023
Ray English	Council Liaison
Carrie Porter, Planning/ Dev. Director	Staff Support/Secretary

**Public Utilities Commission – Five-member commission serves as an advisory body to the City Council on any and all questions concerning the maintenance, operation and improvement of the public utilities serving the City, both privately and municipally owned. Meets the second Tuesday of the month, at 85 S. Main Street in Conference Room 2 @ 4:30 p.m. (Staggered Terms, Full Term 3 Years)**

<b>Member</b>	<b>End of Term</b>
Heather Elmer, Chair	December 31, 2023
Greggor Mattson	December 31, 2024
Jonathan Rice	December 31, 2025
Brent R. Smith, Vice Chair	December 31, 2025
Eugene Matthews	December 31, 2023
Kristin Peterson	Council Liaison
Drew Skolnicki, OMLPS Director	Staff Support
Cindy Simons	Secretary

**Recreation Commission – Five-member commission serves as an advisory body to the Council on any and all questions concerning the operation and improvement of City recreation programs. Meets the third Tuesday on a bi-monthly basis (excluding summer months), at 85 S. Main Street in Conference Room 2 @ 7:00 p.m. (Staggered Terms, Full Term 3 Years)**

<b>Member</b>	<b>End of Term</b>
Alexander Kosman	December 31, 2025
Michael Schmid, Vice Chair	December 31, 2023
Kevin Miller, Chair	December 31, 2025
Mary McDaniel	December 31, 2024
Bryce Johnson	December 31, 2023
Kelley Singleton	Council Liaison
Ian Yarber, Recreation Coordinator	Staff Support, Secretary

**Resource Conservation & Recovery Commission – Five-member commission reviews proposed rules and advises City Council regarding the City's refuse, recyclable materials and yard waste collection program. Meets the fourth Monday of every other month, at 85 S. Main Street in Conference Room 2 @ 5:00 p.m. (Staggered Terms, Full Term 3 Years)**

<b>Member</b>	<b>End of Term</b>
Heather Adelman, Chair	December 31, 2025
Cynthia Comer, Vice Chair	December 31, 2023
Tom Lopez	December 31, 2023
William Washburn	December 31, 2024
Carmen McFarlin	December 31, 2025
Eboni A. Johnson	Council Liaison
Jeff Baumann, Public Works Director	Staff Support
Sheri Runals	Secretary

**Underground Railroad Implementation Team Committee – Five to nine-member committee serves as the primary advisory body to the City Council during the design, fundraising, construction, and implementation phases of the Underground Railroad Center Project. Meets the second Wednesday of the month, at 85 S. Main Street in Conference Room 1 @ 3:00 p.m. (Unlimited Terms)**

<b>Member</b>	<b>End of Term</b>
Jessie Reeder, Chair	Unlimited Terms
Russell Walker	Unlimited Terms
Lester A. Allen III	Unlimited Terms
Paul Lipke- Benn	Unlimited Terms
Nancy Wall	Unlimited Terms
Robin Hoover Shaffer	Unlimited Terms
Sandra Miller, Vice Chair	Unlimited Terms
Carol Lasser	Unlimited Terms
Courtney Cannon Scott	Unlimited Terms
Elizabeth J. Meadows	Council Liaison
Chris Yates, Code Administrator	Staff Support/Secretary

**Zoning Board of Appeals – Five-member board hears and decides appeals resulting from any order or decision made by a city administrative officer in enforcing zoning ordinances. The board may also authorize zoning variances, provided they do not conflict with the public interest. Meets on an “as needed” basis. (Staggered Terms, Full Term 3 Years)**

<b>Member</b>	<b>End of Term</b>
Gregg Wilson	December 31, 2023
Gerard Findlan, Vice Chair	December 31, 2025
Greggor Mattson, Chair	December 31, 2024
Richard McDaniel	December 31, 2024
Alan Campbell	December 31, 2023
Michael J. McFarlin	Council Liaison
Carrie Porter, Planning/ Dev. Director	Staff Support/ Secretary