

**CITY OF OBERLIN, OHIO
BOARDS, COMMISSIONS & COMMITTEES**

2024-2026

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CITY GOVERNMENT: BOARDS, COMMISSIONS & COMMITTEES ROSTER

Central Lorain County Joint Ambulance District (One-Year Term)	
Member	End of Term
Kristin Peterson (Primary)	December 31, 2024
Michael McFarlin (Alternate)	December 31, 2024
Marilyn Siekeres, Fiscal Officer	Fiscal Officer

Climate Action Plan Steering Committee – Eleven-member committee to review and recommend updates to the City of Oberlin’s Climate Action Plan. Meets on an “as needed” basis at 36 S. Prospect Street. (Unlimited Terms)	
Member	End of Term
Ted Wolner	Unlimited Terms
John Petersen	Unlimited Terms
Ralph Thompson	Unlimited Terms
Cindy Frantz	Unlimited Terms
Sharon Pearson	Unlimited Terms
Joanne Sahli	Unlimited Terms
Eli Butler	Unlimited Terms
David Hall	Unlimited Terms
Heather Adelman, Chair	Unlimited Terms
Jessa New, Vice Chair	Unlimited Terms
Joseph Waltzer	Unlimited Terms
Linda Arbogast, Sustainability Coordinator	Staff Support/Secretary
Beth Wolosz	Secretary

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)	
Member	End of Term
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 Johnson	Council Liaison
Briana Reynolds	Secretary

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)	
Member	End of Term
Duane Anderson, Vice Chair	December 31, 2024
Michael Henle, Chair	December 31, 2026
Robert Graves	December 31, 2025
Amber Pogacsnik	December 31, 2026
Jennifer Wilson	December 31, 2025
Ray English	Council Liaison
Rosalind Watson, HR Administrator	Staff Support
Beth Wolosz	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)

Member	End of Term
Robert Hanmer, Fire Chief, Ex Officio	Unlimited
Alexander Kosman	December 31, 2025
Alan Campbell	December 31, 2024
Sue Hiesser	December 31, 2026
Gerard Findlan	December 31, 2025
James Cunningham	December 31, 2026
Libni Lopez	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)

Member	End of Term
Mike Streator, Chair	December 31, 2024
Ben Ryba, Vice Chair	December 31, 2024
Michael McFarlin	December 31, 2024
Sue Hiesser	December 31, 2024
Lydia Young	December 31, 2024
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 2nd Floor Conference Room, @ 4:00 p.m. (Staggered Terms, Full Term 3 Years)

Member	End of Term
Alan Campbell	December 31, 2026
Maren McKee	December 31, 2025
Dorothy Washburn, Chair	December 31, 2026
Cynthia Comer	December 31, 2025
Amber Pogacsnik, Vice Chair	December 31, 2026
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)

Member	End of Term
Alexander Kosman	December 31, 2025
Alan Campbell	December 31, 2024
Sue Hiesser	December 31, 2026
Gerard Findlan	December 31, 2025
James Cunningham	December 31, 2026
Libni Lopez	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)

Member	End of Term
Mary Parks	December 31, 2025
Katie Ashwill, Vice Chair	December 31, 2024
David Dorsey	December 31, 2026
Michael Henle	December 31, 2025
Lydia Young, Chair	December 31, 2026
Libni Lopez	Council Liaison
Terri Richardson-Sanders, Equity Coordinator	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)

Member	End of Term
Duane Anderson	December 31, 2025
Gerard Findlan	December 31, 2025
Jeff Baumann, CM Appointee	December 31, 2025
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.

Member	End of Term
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 Public Health District Board of Health (5 year term-jointly Appointed by Amherst and Oberlin in 2014)

Member	End of Term
Tyrone Wicks	March 31, 2029

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)

Member	End of Term
Sandra Miller	December 31, 2025
Jill Sawyer, Chair	December 31, 2025
Jack Ford	December 31, 2024
Michael J. McFarlin	December 31, 2025
Jessa New	December 31, 2025
Tyrone Wicks, Vice Chair	December 21, 2024
Sal Talarico	December 31, 2024

Private Sector Members – (3 Year Staggered Terms)

Member	End of Term
James Cunningham	December 31, 2024
Jason Williams	December 31, 2025
Janet K. Haar	December 31, 2025
Mistinguette Smith	December 31, 2026
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)

Member	End of Term
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)

Member	End of Term
Elizabeth Meadows	December 31, 2026
Martin Buck, Vice Chair	December 31, 2025
Alison Ricker	December 31, 2026
Carmen McFarlin	December 31, 2026
Christopher Kulhanek, Chair	December 31, 2025
Jessa New	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)

Member	End of Term
Peter Crowley	December 31, 2025
Mark Koza	December 31, 2024
Bryan Burgess, Vice Chair	December 31, 2026
Jill Sawyer	December 31, 2025
Jack Ford, Chair	December 31, 2026
Joseph Waltzer	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)

Member	End of Term
Deb Barman	December 31, 2026
Greggor Mattson, Vice Chair	December 31, 2024
Jonathan Rice	December 31, 2025
Brent R. Smith, Chair	December 31, 2025
Eugene Matthews	December 31, 2026
Kristin Peterson	Council Liaison
Drew Skolnicki	Staff Support
Cindy Simon	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)

Member	End of Term
Alexander Kosman	December 31, 2025
NaStasha Cochran, Vice Chair	December 31, 2026
Bryce Johnson	December 31, 2026
Mary McDaniel	December 31, 2024
Kevin Miller, Chair	December 31, 2025
Ray English	Council Liaison
Ian Yarber, Recreation Director	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)

Member	End of Term
Heather Adelman, Vice Chair	December 31, 2025
Cynthia Comer, Chair	December 31, 2026
Eve Martinez	December 31, 2026
William Washburn	December 31, 2024
Carmen McFarlin	December 31, 2025
Joseph Waltzer	Council Liaison
Jeff Baumann, Public Works Director	Staff Support
Sheri Runals	Secretary

Social Equity Plan Steering Committee – Eleven-member committee that assists with the development of a new City of Oberlin Social Equity Plan. Meets on an “as-needed” basis, at the Oberlin Enrichment & Activities Center located at 36 S. Prospect Street @ 8:30 a.m. (2-year term)

Member	End of Term
Ray English, Vice Chair	July 1, 2025
Ralph Thompson	July 1, 2025
Albert Miller, Chair	July 1, 2025
Sandra Miller	July 1, 2025
Claudia Jones	July 1, 2025
Elizabeth Meadows	July 1, 2025
Libni Lopez	July 1, 2025
Meisha Baker	July 1, 2025
Kathy Burns	July 1, 2025
Stephanie Walker	July 1, 2025
Lydia Young	July 1, 2025
Terri Richardson-Sanders, Equity Coordinator	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)

Member	End of Term
Gregg Wilson, Vice Chair	December 31, 2026
Gerard Findlan	December 31, 2025
Greggor Mattson, Chair	December 31, 2024
Richard McDaniel	December 31, 2024
Alan Campbell	December 31, 2026
Michael J. McFarlin	Council Liaison
Carrie Porter, Planning/ Dev. Director	Staff Support/ Secretary