

# City of Huntington Beach LOCAL APPOINTMENTS LIST – 2026

# Opportunity for Public Service on City Boards, Commissions, Committees

CITY BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES TERMS
WHICH HAVE EXPIRATION DATES OCCURING IN CALENDAR YEAR 2026

This list is prepared to inform members of the community of opportunities to serve on City boards, commissions, committees, and to invite applications from interested parties per Chapter 11, Section 54970, Part 1, Division 2, Title 5 of the California Government Code.

Please note that the following information pertains to openings that will be available in 2026 because of expiration of members' terms. Very often during the year there will be openings on boards, commissions and committees because members resign. These openings are posted separately at the Civic Center and Huntington Central Library, and are listed on the city's website at:

https://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/government/boards\_commissions/notice\_of\_vacancies.php

Applications for public service on a City Board, Commission, Committee can be accessed here: <a href="https://huntingtonbeachca.gov/government/boards">https://huntingtonbeachca.gov/government/boards</a> commissions/.

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#### CIAB/PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION

### Term Limits Not Applicable -- See Notices of Vacancies for Openings

| <b>Current Appointee</b> | <b>Date of Appointment</b> | Appointed By         |
|--------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------|
| James Michalski          | December 20, 2022          | Gracey Van Der Mark  |
| Peter Rivas              | December 20, 2022          | Pat Burns            |
| Daren MacDonald          | December 20, 2022          | Casey McKeon         |
| Vacant                   |                            | Andrew Gruel         |
| David Clifford           | December 17, 2024          | Don Kennedy          |
| Preeti Ghuman            | January 21, 2025           | <b>Butch Twining</b> |
| Pano Frousiakis          | April 1, 2025              | Chad Williams        |

<u>Mission/Purpose</u>: The mission of the CIAB/Public Works Commission is to review and make recommendations related to Public Works capital improvement projects and programs.

<u>Members and Appointments</u>: The Commission consists of seven (7) members made by direct appointment of each City Councilmember to a term that coincides with the City Councilmember's term.

Members may have no interest in any contract with the City, either during their term or for a period of one year after cessation of Commission service. All members serve without compensation, may hold no other office or employment in city government and no other employment that is incompatible with Commission service. Appointments to this board must file California Form 700 - "Statement of Economic Interests."

Meeting Times and Dates: The CIAB/Public Works Commission holds regular monthly meetings on the third Wednesday of each month at 5:00 PM at the Utilities Yard located on 19021 Huntington Street. All meetings are open to the public and special meetings may be called in conformance with the Ralph M. Brown Act. Staff support is provided by the Public Works Department at (714) 375-5055.

**Necessary Requirements**: Must be a U.S. citizen and elector / resident of the City of Huntington Beach with special interest, training, and/or experience in the field of Public Works.

#### CITIZEN PARTICIPATION ADVISORY BOARD

# Term Limits Not Applicable -- See Notices of Vacancies for Openings

| <b>Current Appointee</b> | Date of Appointment | Appointed By        |
|--------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Jonathan Hammel          | 2/21/2023           | Casey McKeon        |
| Jignesh Padhiar          | 12/17/2024          | Gracey Van Der Mark |
| Joe Pena                 | 7/2/2024            | Pat Burns           |
| Dennis Pappas            | 12/17/2024          | Butch Twining       |
| Zachary Newkirk          | 11/18/2025          | Andrew Gruel        |
| Vacant                   |                     | Chad Williams       |
| Stephen Quinn            | 12/17/2024          | Don Kennedy         |

<u>Mission/Purpose</u>: The mission of the Citizen Participation Advisory Board (CPAB) is to submit recommendations to City Council on allocations for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds.

<u>Members and Appointments</u>: The CPAB includes seven members made by direct appointment of each City Councilmember to a term that coincides with the City Councilmember's term.

<u>Meeting Dates and Times</u>: The CPAB holds regular meetings on the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month beginning at 6:00 p.m. in Room B-8 of the Civic Center; additional meetings may be required depending on the number of grant applications received or as other issues arise. All meetings are open to the public, and special meetings may be called in conformance with the Ralph M. Brown Act. Staff support is provided by the Office of Business Development at (714) 536-5470.

<u>Necessary Requirements</u>: Must be a U.S. citizen and resident of the City of Huntington Beach; members shall have an interest in assessing the needs of the community, particularly that of low and moderate-income households. Low-income and disadvantaged persons are encouraged to apply.

#### **CITY CELEBRATION COMMITTEE**

| <b>Current Appointee</b> | Date of Appointment | Date of Expiration |
|--------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| Patti Pappas             | 6/4/2024            | 6/4/2026           |
| Delaine Bailey           | 6/4/2024            | 6/4/2026           |
| Kristine Carroll         | 6/4/2024            | 6/4/2026           |
| Ellen Kuhnert            | 6/4/2024            | 6/4/2026           |
| Julian Douglas           | 6/17/2025           | 6/17/2027          |
| Yolanda Campos           | 6/17/2025           | 6/17/2027          |
| Michael Latham           | 6/17/2025           | 6/17/2027          |
| Valentina Bankhead       | 6/17/2025           | 6/17/2027          |

<u>Mission/Purpose</u>: Make recommendations for City Council Liaison consideration on future City Celebration Months. Make recommendations for City Council Liaison consideration on additional calendar acknowledgements. Make recommendations for City staff on Celebration content.

<u>Members and Appointments</u>: The City Celebration Committee will consist of between 7 and 9 members.

**Meeting Dates and Times**: Meetings will be held twice a year.

<u>Necessary Requirements</u>: The members must be residents of the City of Huntington Beach and are appointed by the City Council to serve for terms of two years.

#### COMMUNITY AND LIBRARY SERVICES COMMISSION

# Term Limits Not Applicable -- See Notices of Vacancies for Openings

| Current Appointee  | Date of Appointment                 | Appointed By        |
|--------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Ceason Baker       | 1/1/2023<br>Term: 1/1/23-12/31/26   | Casey McKeon        |
| Steve Barnes       | 12/17/2024<br>Term: 1/1/25-12/31/28 | Butch Twining       |
| Lauren Gruel       | 4/15/2025<br>Term: 1/1/23-12/31/26  | Gracey Van Der Mark |
| Lolly McHardy      | 1/1/2023<br>Term: 1/1/23-12/31/26   | Pat Burns           |
| Jeanne Paris       | 12/17/2025<br>Term: 1/1/25-12/31/28 | Chad Williams       |
| Teisha Nim-Husaini | 1/1/2023<br>Term: 1/1/23-12/31/26*  | Andrew Gruel        |
| Tricia Thienes     | 1/21/2025                           | Don Kennedy         |

<u>Mission/Purpose</u>: The mission of the Community and Library Services Commission is to make recommendations to City Council on matters relating to development, acquisition, and renovation of park, beach, libraries, and recreational facilities.

Members and Appointments: The Commission includes seven members made by direct appointment of each City Councilmember to a term that coincides with the City Councilmember's term. The commission cooperates with other governmental agencies and civic groups in the advancement of sound parks, recreational planning, and library services under the direction of the City Council. Commissioners study, report and interpret the needs of the public to the City Council, including conducting public meetings to garner community input on projects and facilities. The Commission reviews the annual Capital Improvement Projects budget as presented to the City Council and advises them on the current needs and long-range plans.

<u>Meeting Dates and Times</u>: The Commission meets regularly on the second Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 2000 Main Street, Huntington Beach, CA. All meetings are open to the public, and special meetings may be called in conformance with the Ralph M. Brown Act. Staff support is provided by the Community and Library Services Department at (714) 536-5486.

**Necessary Requirements**: Must be a U.S. citizen and resident of the City of Huntington Beach; interested in recreational programming, development of parks and the operation and conduct of City libraries

#### **DESIGN REVIEW BOARD**

# (Resignations Occur; See Notices of Vacancies for Potential Openings)

Jeffrey Dahl (At-Large) February 12, 2024 July 31, 2027 (2<sup>nd</sup> Term)

Matthew Fertal (At-Large) May 19, 2022 May 17, 2026 (1st Term)

Vacant (At-Large)

Brian Thienes PC Representative N/A

Joseph Santiago HRB Representative N/A

<u>Mission/Purpose</u>: The Design Review Board (DRB) assists the Community Development Director, Zoning Administrator, and Planning Commission in reviewing development plans and architectural drawings within designated geographic areas of the City, makes recommendations and may impose conditions or modifications on projects reviewed.

<u>Members and Appointments</u>: The DRB is comprised of five members: one Planning Commission member, one Historic Resources Board member, and three at-large members that are recommended by two Council liaisons, and appointed by a majority of the City Council. Atlarge members serve four-year terms.

<u>Meeting Dates and Times</u>: The DRB meets regularly on the second Thursday of each month at 3:30 P.M. in Room B-8 located at the Lower Level of City Hall. All meetings are open to the public, and special meetings may be called in conformance with the Ralph M. Brown Act. Staff support is provided by the Community Development Department at (714) 536-5271.

Note: Appointments to this board must file California Form 700 - "Statement of Economic Interests."

<u>Necessary Requirements</u>: Must be a U.S. citizen, at least 18 years of age, a resident of the City of Huntington Beach; interested in guiding, encouraging and promoting the maintenance of harmonious, compatible, attractive and aesthetic developments within special and unique areas of the City. Members must have training, education or work experience in design-related fields including, but not limited to, architecture, landscaping, art, urban/environmental design and aesthetics.

#### **FINANCE COMMISSION**

# Term Limits Not Applicable -- See Notices of Vacancies for Openings

| Current Appointee | Date of Appointment | Appointed By        |
|-------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Kelly Gates       | 1/1/2023            | Gracey Van Der Mark |
| Billy Hamilton    | 1/1/2023            | Pat Burns           |
| Frank Lo Grasso   | 1/1/2023            | Casey McKeon        |
| Paul Geery        | 1/1/2025            | Butch Twining       |
| David Cicerone    | 3/18/2025           | Andrew Gruel        |
| Austin Edsell     | 4/15/2025           | Don Kennedy         |
| Dave Chennault    | 10/21/2025          | Chad Williams       |

<u>Mission/Purpose</u>: The purpose of the Finance Commission is to act in an advisory capacity to the City Council in matters pertaining to financial planning.

<u>Members and Appointments</u>: The Commission includes seven members made by direct appointment of each City Councilmember to a term that coincides with the City Councilmember's term.

<u>Meeting Dates and Times</u>: The Finance Commission holds regular meetings on the fourth Wednesday of every month at 5:00 PM in Council Chambers. All meetings are open to the public, and special meetings may be called in conformance with the Ralph M. Brown Act. Staff support is provided by the Finance Department at (714) 536-5630.

Note: Appointments to this board must file California Form 700 - "Statement of Economic Interests."

**Necessary Requirements**: Must be a U.S. citizen and resident of the City of Huntington Beach.

<u>Vacancies</u>: In the event a member retires or is unable to complete his / her term, an appointment shall be made to fill the remainder of the unexpired term. For current vacancies, check out the <u>Notice of Vacancies</u> page.

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#### HARBOR COMMISSION

(Resignations Occur; See Notices of Vacancies for Openings)

| Current Appointee  | Date of Appointment | Date of Expiration |
|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| William Larkin     | 3/4/2019            | 12/31/2026         |
| Kimberley Milligan | 3/4/2019            | 12/31/2026         |
| Chris Nielsen      | 3/16/2020           | 12/31/2026         |
| Craig Schauppner   | 3/4/2019            | 12/31/2026         |
| Van Vu             | 1/1/2022            | 12/31/2028         |
| Mel Williams       | 2/18/2025           | 12/31/2028         |
| Diane Wood         | 1/1/2022            | 12/31/2028         |

Mission/Purpose: To serve in an advisory capacity to the City Council in all matters related to Huntington Beach Harbor, its beaches, facilities, and parks. The Commission advises the City Council about waterway safety, general infrastructure (e.g. seawalls, pier headlines, bulkheads etc.), water quality and Municipal Code amendments. The Harbor Commission also cooperates with other governmental agencies and civic groups for the advancement of the Huntington Harbor and recreational planning under the direction of the City Council.

<u>Members and Appointments</u>: The Commission shall consist of seven (7) members, recommended for appointment by two City Council liaisons, and approved by a majority of the City Council.

<u>Meeting Dates and Times</u>: The Commission meets on the fourth Thursday of each month at 5:00 p.m. in meeting Room B-8 on the Lower Level of the Civic Center, 2000 Main Street, Huntington Beach, CA. All meetings are open to the public, and special meetings may be called in conformance with the Ralph M. Brown Act. Staff support is provided by the Fire Department at (714) 536-5411. Staff support is provided by Fire Chief Scott Haberle and Senior Management Analyst Kevin Justen.

<u>Necessary Requirements</u>: Must be a U.S. citizen and resident of the City of Huntington Beach.

#### HISTORIC RESOURCES BOARD

(Resignations Occur; See Notices of Vacancies for Openings)

\*\*No expirations occur in 2026\*\*

<u>Mission/Purpose</u>: The purpose of the Historic Resources Board is to encourage and promote programs and activities that enhance public awareness of historic resources.

<u>Members and Appointments</u>: The eleven-member Board includes eight (8) at-large members, recommended for appointment by two City Council liaisons, and approved by a majority of the City Council. The Board shall serve as an advisory body to City Council, as well as a liaison to Council for local, state and federal groups and agencies whose interest involves historic issues.

<u>Meeting Dates and Times</u>: The Board meets as needed on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 5:00 p.m. in Room B-7 (lower level) of City Hall. All meetings are open to the public, and special meetings may be called in conformance with the Ralph M. Brown Act. Staff support is provided by the Community and Library Services Department at (714) 960-8836.

**Necessary Requirements**: Must be a U.S. citizen and resident of the City of Huntington Beach; preferably general interest in local history.

#### INVESTMENT ADVISORY BOARD

#### Term Limits Not Applicable -- See Notices of Vacancies for Openings

| <b>Current Appointee</b> | <b>Date of Appointment</b> | Appointed By        |
|--------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|
| Doug Misterly            | 12/20/2022                 | Pat Burns           |
| Richard Jackson          | 02/24/2025                 | Butch Twining       |
| Martha Morrow            | 12/20/2022                 | Casey McKeon        |
| Mark Ellett              | 12/20/2022                 | Gracey Van Der Mark |
| Allen Schreiber          | 02/04/2025                 | Don Kennedy         |
| Michelle Schuetz         | 12/20/2022                 | Chad Williams       |
| Vacant                   |                            | Andrew Gruel        |

<u>Mission/Purpose</u>: The purpose of the Investment Advisory Board (IAB) is to act in an advisory capacity to the City Treasurer and the City Council in matters pertaining to the financial planning and the City's investments as per Municipal Code Chapter 2.109.

<u>Members and Appointments</u>: The IAB currently consists of seven members made by direct appointment of each City Councilmember to a term that coincides with the City Councilmember's term.

<u>Meeting Dates and Times</u>: The IAB meets on a quarterly basis (January, April, July, October) on the fourth Thursday of the month at 5:00 PM in Room B-7 of the Huntington Beach Civic Center. All meetings are open to the public, and special meetings may be called in conformance with the Ralph M. Brown Act. Staff support is provided by the City Treasurer's Office at (714) 536-5200.

**Necessary Requirements**: Must be a U.S. citizen and resident of the City of Huntington Beach.

#### PERSONNEL COMMISSION

(Resignations Occur; See Notices of Vacancies for Openings)

<u>Current Appointee</u> <u>Date of Appointment</u> <u>Date of Expiration</u>

**Currently all positions are vacant** 

<u>Mission/Purpose</u>: The primary focus of the Personnel Commission is employee arbitration issues.

Members and Appointments: The Personnel Commission consists of five members, each of which are recommended by two Council liaisons and appointed by a majority of the City Council. The members serve a two-year term, and are limited to serve two consecutive terms. No member shall hold any paid office or employment with City during, or for a period of one year after terminating service as a member of the Commission.

<u>Meeting Dates and Times</u>: Meetings take place the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday quarterly (Jan, April, July, October) All meetings are open to the public, and special meetings may be called in conformance with the Ralph M. Brown Act. Staff support is provided by the Human Resources Department at (714) 536-5252.

**Necessary Requirements**: Must be a U.S. citizen and resident of the City of Huntington Beach.

#### PLANNING COMMISSION

# Term Limits Not Applicable -- See Notices of Vacancies for Openings

| Current Appointee | <b>Date of Appointment</b> | Appointed By        |
|-------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|
| Ben Goldberg      | 4/1/2025                   | Andrew Gruel        |
| Dominic McGee     | 12/17/2024                 | Gracey Van Der Mark |
| Brian Thienes     | 12/17/2024                 | Pat Burns           |
| Tracy Pellman     | 1/10/2023                  | Casey McKeon        |
| Ken Babineau      | 12/17/2024                 | Butch Twining       |
| Ann Palmer        | 4/1/2025                   | Don Kennedy         |
| Brett Bush        | 12/17/2024                 | Chad Williams       |

<u>Mission/Purpose</u>: In addition to power and duties specified in the Government Code, the Planning Commission shall have the power and duties to:

- Recommend to the City Council after a public hearing thereon, the adoption, amendment or repeal of a master or general plan, or any part thereof, for guidance in the physical development of the City;
- Exercise such functions with respect to land subdivisions as shall be provided by the Subdivision Map Act, and by ordinance not inconsistent with the provisions of the Charter:
- Exercise such functions with respect to zoning, building, land use, precise plans, specific
  plans, and related matters which may be prescribed by ordinance not inconsistent with the
  provisions of the Charter; and
- Perform such other functions not inconsistent with the Charter as may be delegated to it by the City Council.

Projects typically acted upon by the Planning Commission are major development proposals, tentative tract maps, zoning map amendments, zoning text amendments, general plan amendments, and various similar applications.

**Members and Appointments**: The Planning Commission, a quasi-judicial body that is empowered by State law and the City Council, consists of seven members made by direct appointment of each City Councilmember to a term that coincides with the City Councilmember's term.

Appointments to this board must file California Form 700 - "Statement of Economic Interests."

<u>Meeting Times and Dates</u>: The Planning Commission meets on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers. Study sessions are frequently held at 5:15 p.m. prior to the meeting in Council Chambers. All meetings are open to the public, and special meetings may be called in conformance with the Ralph M. Brown Act. Staff support is provided by the Community Development at (714) 536-5276.

Necessary Requirements: Must be a U.S. citizen and elector / resident of the City of Huntington Beach.

#### SUNSET BEACH LOCAL COASTAL PROGRAM REVIEW BOARD

# Term Limits Not Applicable -- See Notices of Vacancies for Openings

**Date of Appointment** 

| Tim McCormack   | Prior to 3/2019 |
|-----------------|-----------------|
| Joe Barco       | Prior to 3/2019 |
| Tony Nobles     | Prior to 3/2019 |
| Kassie Parker   | 4/09/2019       |
| Steve Pryharski | 12/13/2022      |
| Perry Ward      | Prior to 3/2019 |

**Current Appointee** 

**Coastal Program Review Board (LCPRB)** was established to advise the Orange County and, upon annexation, the City of Huntington Beach on all discretionary actions in the implementation of the Sunset Beach Specific Plan/Local Coastal Program.

**Background:** The Orange County Board of Supervisors established the seven-member Sunset Beach LCPRB as the official citizen's advisory group in Sunset Beach pursuant to *Resolution No. 82-349* on March 9, 1982.

The County's Sunset Beach Specific Plan was developed largely through the vigorous efforts of the Sunset Beach community through the LCPRB. Upon annexation, the City of Huntington Beach continues to work closely with the LCPRB on all issues relevant to Sunset Beach community.

The LCPRB facilitates ongoing community participation in the long-term implementation of the Sunset Beach Specific Plan by providing a centralized forum for obtaining community opinion and transmitting recommendations to the City.

<u>Meeting Times and Dates</u>: The LCPRB meets, as needed, on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at the Nobles Family Community Center, 16861 12<sup>th</sup> Street, Sunset Beach. Please refer to the meeting agendas accessible below.