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Boards and Commissions

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State of North Dakota

<https://apps.nd.gov/gov/boards/Search/Boards>

Capitol Grounds Planning Commission <https://apps.nd.gov/gov/boards/Search/Boards#>

NDCC — <https://www.legis.nd.gov/cencode/t48c10.pdf?20141120132956>

The Capitol Grounds Planning Commission advises the director of the Office of Management and Budget and the Legislative Council on matters relating to the physical and aesthetic feature of the interior and exterior of all buildings on Capitol grounds. Its duties include the general administration of the Capitol Building Fund and proper planning to maintain standards of design and architecture. The Commission consists of the lieutenant governor as chairman and eight other members including two citizens, one licensed architect, and one representative from the State Historical Society appointed by the governor. The president of the Senate shall appoint two senators as members and the speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint two representatives.

Ms. Laura Bowles; Position Citizen

Term ends: 7/31/2026

Economic Development Foundation <https://apps.nd.gov/gov/boards/Search/Boards#>

NDCC — <https://www.legis.nd.gov/cencode/t54c60.pdf?20141021134707>

The North Dakota Economic Development Foundation was established by the legislative assembly in 2001 to provide private-sector guidance and oversight of the state's economic development efforts and the state's Commerce Commissioner. The private foundation, made up of fifteen to thirty business and economic development leaders from all regions of the state, establishes and updates the state's economic development strategic plan. The Foundation meets quarterly to monitor progress toward economic development goals, to discuss major business and economic issues, and to offer suggestions for improving North Dakota's business climate.

Term Length; 2 years, no term limit

Meeting Quarterly

Up to 30 members. Currently at 17.

Bismarck

<https://www.bismarcknd.gov/604/Boards-Committees>

[City of Bismarck Board, Commission & Committee Membership Application](#)

Board of Adjustment <https://www.bismarcknd.gov/1039/Board-of-Adjustment>

The Board of Adjustment is a six-member board appointed by the Mayor to decide appeals from an order, requirement, or determination made by an administrative official of the City of Bismarck. The Board of Adjustment is also empowered to make interpretations and grant variances related to zoning regulations. Members serve three-year terms and are residents of Bismarck or its extraterritorial area. Meetings are held at 5:00 pm on the first Thursday of the month in the Tom Baker Meeting Room in the City-County Office Building, 221 North 5th Street.

Jennifer Clark, Chair December 2027

Chris Seifert, Vice-Chair December 2028

Curtis Janssen December 2026

Al Wangler December 2026

Kim Lee December 2028

Planning and Zoning Commission <https://www.bismarcknd.gov/1037/Planning-Zoning-Commission>

The Planning and Zoning Commission is an 11-member advisory board to the City Commission. The Planning and Zoning Commission includes the Mayor; five Bismarck residents appointed by the Mayor; a Burleigh County Commissioner; three members appointed by the Burleigh County Commission to represent the City's extraterritorial area; and the City Engineer, who serves as an exofficio member. In addition, for applications within the extraterritorial area, a township supervisor from the organized township in which the property is located participates as a voting member for that item. The Bismarck Planning and Zoning Commission hears requests for major and minor subdivision plats, zoning changes, zoning ordinance text amendments, annexations, special use permits, and rural lot splits. The City of Bismarck has zoning and subdivision authority within the corporate limits and the extraterritorial area. Meetings are held at 5:00 pm on the fourth Wednesday of the month in the Tom Baker Meeting Room in the City-County Office Building, 221 North 5th Street.

Cole Johnson, Vice Chair December 2026

Renaissance Zone Authority <https://www.bismarcknd.gov/1040/Renaissance-Zone-Authority>

The Renaissance Zone Authority is a 9-member advisory board that oversees requests for designation as a [Renaissance Zone](#) project and amendments to the Renaissance Zone Development Plan. The Renaissance Zone Authority also provides guidance on [Downtown Design Review](#) and other activities impacting the core of the community.

The Renaissance Zone Authority consists of nine members; one member of the Bismarck City Commission; one Burleigh County Commissioner; one Bismarck Public School Board member; one Bismarck Park Board member; and five at-large members appointed by the Bismarck City Commission. The Renaissance Zone Authority appoints non-voting Design Advisors.

Amelia Doll December 2026

Burlington

<https://www.burlingtonnd.org/>

City Planning Commission <https://www.burlingtonnd.org/s/Book-k8s2.pdf> (Chapter 12)

The Planning Commission shall consist of six (6) members, five (5) of whom shall be appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Council by a majority vote thereof. The sixth member shall be appointed by the Ward County Board of County Commissioners pursuant to N.D.C.C. §40-48-03.

In addition, the Mayor, the City Engineer, and the City Attorney shall be ex-officio members of the Planning Commission. 12.0103 Term of Members Each member shall serve for a term of five (5) years and until his or her successor is appointed and approved by the City Council.

Current commissioners, terms unlisted:

Darla Jost, Travis Grosche, Jeana Rynestad, Daryn Hoover, Amy Ralph, Darren Kabanuk

<https://www.burlingtonnd.org/archived-minutes> research needed to determine term status.

Mandan

<https://www.cityofmandan.com/boards>

Airport Authority <https://www.cityofmandan.com/index.asp?SEC=C4AEB2E5-8414-4B95-AA15-B575C9BE6AE9>

Charged with promoting and enhancing aviation and aviation safety and overseeing operations at Mandan Regional Airport - Lawler Field including work with federal, state and local officials to secure funding. The mission of the Airport Authority is to provide, maintain and promote a safe airport environment for the community and others.

The Airport Authority is made up of five members.

Term lengths vary, beginning Jan. 1 through Dec. 31.

Craig Sjoberg, Commissioner 2028

Steve Kopyy 2030

Justin Reisenauer 2026

Marc Taylor 2027

Dan Polk 2028

Growth Fund Committee <https://www.cityofmandan.com/growthfund>

The Mandan Growth Fund Committee makes recommendations regarding assistance to businesses desiring to expand or locate in the Mandan area with a focus on developing employment within the area, expanding the local tax base, increasing capital investment and improving the entrepreneurial climate.

The committee is made up representatives of the business community through ownership or employment with a Mandan business or Mandan residents. The committee meetings about once a month or as needed depending on applications for incentives or assistance programs.

Sherwin Wanner 2026

Reice Haase 2026

Tess Schmidt 2026

Grant Dockter 2026

The Planning and Zoning Commission <https://www.cityofmandan.com/planningandzoning>

Makes recommendations to the City Commission regarding development and land use in and within 2 miles of the city's corporate boundaries. The scope includes:

Review of master plans, preliminary and final plats,

Zone change requests,

Annexations,

Transportation studies,

Street vacations, and

Other items as instructed by the City Commission

Meetings are typically held the fourth Monday of every month at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall.

Jamie McLean, Vice Chair 2026

Minot

<https://www.minotnd.gov/247/Boards-Committees>

<https://www.minotnd.gov/AgendaCenter>

Franchise Committee <https://www.minotnd.gov/258/Franchise-Committee>

Coordinate the efforts of the City Council and utility companies in establishing limited franchise to provide electrical service, telephone service, natural gas service, cable television and street lighting to the City of Minot.

Appointment, Membership, Term

Appointed by the Mayor to two year terms commencing on the date of the City Council

Reorganization meeting following the regular biennial municipal election.

General Control by City Council - Section 1-9 and Appendix B of the Code of Ordinances.

Revised 6/2016

All terms expired in 2024- (need confirmation on current status)

Planning Commission <https://www.minotnd.gov/271/Planning-Commission>
https://library.municode.com/nd/minot/codes/code_of_ordinances?nodeId=COOR_CH25PLZOG
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Consult and advise with public officials and agencies, public utility companies, civic, educational, professional and other organizations, and with citizens relative to the carrying out of planned development of the city and surrounding area. To recommend to the appropriate officials, from time to time, programs for specific improvements and for the financing thereof.

Meetings; 5:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of every month

Vacancy: Term Expiry: December 31, 2025

Electrical Board <https://www.minotnd.gov/256/Electrical-Board>

The board is the body to which any person feeling aggrieved under any interpretation by the Electrical Inspector of any of the provisions of the electrical code (Chapter 12 of the City of Minot Code of Ordinances) relating to electrical installation or construction, shall have the right to appeal. Any decision made by the board upon the technicalities of electrical installation shall be binding upon both the City Electrical Inspector and the individual filing the appeal. The Board will rule on questions of interpretation of the intent of the code, but will have no authority to abrogate, waive or change any requirement established by the electrical code.

The Board shall consist of five members. The City Engineer shall be an advisor to such board. The members, to be appointed by the Mayor, shall be one master craftsman and one journeyman craftsman within the trade, and two people (lay members) not engaged in, or connected with any of such trades and a fifth member who may or may not be connected with such trade. The term of each member shall be two years.

Source

Chapter 12, Division 3 of the City of Minot Code of Ordinances.

Jason Hunze, 5th Member Term Expires: February 2024

Dayne Braaten Term Expires: November 2022

Jesse Braun, Master Electrician Term Expires: June 2023

Joe Brandvold Term Expires: August, 2022

Rob White Term Expires: November, 2022

All serving beyond term needs updated

Municipal Port Authority Board <https://www.minotnd.gov/265/Municipal-Port-Authority-Board>

Promote, stimulate, develop, and advance the general welfare, commerce, economic development, and prosperity of its jurisdiction and of the state and its citizens;
Endeavor to increase the volume of commerce within the jurisdiction of the port authority and the state through planning, advertising, acquisition, establishment, development, construction, improvement, maintenance, equipment, operation, regulation and protection of transportation, storage, or other facilities that promote the safe, efficient, and economical handling of commerce, and through having foreign trade zone authority.

Appointment, Membership, Term

The governing body by resolution may determine to exercise any of all powers granted to the authority in Chapter 11-36 of the North Dakota Century Code until the powers have been conferred upon a port authority.

Upon adoption of a resolution creating a municipal port authority, the governing body of the municipality shall appoint, pursuant to the resolution, 5 persons as commissioners of the port authority. The commissioners who are first appointed are designated to serve for terms of 1,2,3,4 and 5 years, respectively, but thereafter, each commissioner must be appointed for a term of five years, except that vacancies occurring otherwise than by expiration of the term must be filled for the unexpired term by the governing body.

All serving beyond term.

Surrey

<https://www.surreynd.org/>

City Planning & Zoning Committee

Five members to be appointed by the City's chief executive officer, with the approval of the governing body. The chief executive officer, the City Building inspector, the engineer and city attorney shall be ex-officio members thereof. (Source: North Dakota Century Code Section 40-48-03)

The Planning Commission shall hold regular meetings on the fourth Tuesday of every month in the Surrey City Hall. No December meeting.

The planning commission shall also serve as the zoning commission of the City to hold hearings, make reports and recommendations as to the boundaries of the various original districts and appropriate regulations to be enforced therein, and for changes in or supplements thereto.

(Source: North Dakota Century Code Section 40-47-06)

Current members:

Kevin Nelson

Chad Atterton

Kim Shaw -President

Heather Thorson

Ashley Hammer

Building Committee members:

Brady Morgan

Steve Fennewald

Corey Berger

Keith Hegney

Kelsey Fred

Williams County

<https://www.williamsnd.com/departments/appointed-boards-and-commissions/>

<https://williamsnd.civicweb.net/Portal/BoardApplication>

Planning and Zoning Commission [Planning and Zoning Commission](#)

The powers and duties of the Williams County Planning and Zoning Commission are set forth in North Dakota Century Code Chapter 11-33 and in the Williams County Zoning Ordinance & Subdivision Regulations, and include the power and duty to hold public hearings and make recommendations to the board of county commissioners on zoning requests; recommend amendments to the zoning regulations; and recommend the boundaries of county zoning districts and appropriate regulations and restrictions to be established in the zoning districts.

Charell Schillo District 1 **8/31/2027**

Williams County Special Assessment Commission [Special Assessment Commission](#)

The duties of the Williams County Special Assessment Commission are set forth in North Dakota Century Code Chapters 40-22, 40-23, 40-23.1, and 40-24, and include the duty to determine special assessments against lots and parcels of land included in a special assessment district created by the Williams County Board of County Commissioners, to make a list of the benefits and assessments for each lot or parcel assessed, to give notice of the list of benefits and assessments, to hold a hearing for objection to the list of benefits or assessments and make any necessary alterations to the list, and to confirm the list for action by the Williams County Board of County Commissioners.

Qualifications: Williams County resident & landowner; cannot hold any other Williams County office

Compensation: \$100.00 per meeting + actual expenses

Created by: N.D.C.C. § 40-23-01

Members: 3

Length of Terms: Initial appointments are for 2, 4, and 6 years, and thereafter each appointment is for a term of 6 years

Meeting Schedule: The Commission meets as needed.

Norm Hanson 04/2027

CO-OP Boards

North Dakota Association of Rural Electric Cooperatives. <https://ndarec.com/>

G&Ts:

[Basin Electric Power Cooperative](#)

[Central Power Electric Cooperative](#)

<https://www.centralpwr.com/2025-annual-meeting>

[Great River Energy](#)

[Minnkota Power Cooperative](#)

[Upper Missouri Power Cooperative](#)

Distribution:

All 2026 Annual Meeting dates and locations - TBA

- [Dakota Valley Electric Cooperative](#)

<https://dakotavalley.com/annual-meeting>

Three directors are elected from the membership each year at the annual meeting.

Dakota Valley Electric will hold their meeting:

- [Northern Plains Electric Cooperative](#)

[Annual Membership Meeting](#) The annual meeting takes place yearly in the month of June alternating locations in the service area. 2026's Annual Meeting will take place in:

- [Capital Electric Cooperative](#)

<https://capitalelec.com/bylaws>

<https://capitalelec.com/2025> Capital Electric's annual meeting:

- [McLean Electric Cooperative](#)

<https://www.mcleanelectric.com/articles-incorporation-bylaws>

- [Nodak Electric Co-Op Inc](#)

https://www.nodakelectric.com/sites/default/files/Bylaws_Amended_April_12_2022.pdf

- [Verendrye Electric Cooperative](#)

Verendrye's Bylaws are contained in the [Owner's Manual](#) starting on page 15

- **McKenzie Electric Co-Op Inc**
<https://mckenzieelectric.com/bylaws>

- **Mor-gran-sou Electric Cooperative**
<https://morgransou.com/articles-and-bylaws>
<https://morgransou.com/annual-meeting>

- **Cass County Electric Cooperative**
<https://casscountyelectric.com/how-vote-board-elections>
<https://casscountyelectric.com/annual-meeting>

- **Mountrail-Williams Electric Cooperative**
<https://mwec.com/node/51>
<https://mwec.com/annual-meeting>

- **Roughrider Electric Co-Op**
<https://roughriderelectric.com/annual-meeting>
https://roughriderelectric.com/sites/default/files/2025-04/bylaws_11-22-24.pdf

- **Slope Electric Cooperative, Inc**
<https://slopeelectric.coop/bylaws>
<https://slopeelectric.coop/annual-meeting>

- **Cavalier Rural Electric Cooperative**
<http://www.cavalierrec.com/bylaws.html>
<http://www.cavalierrec.com/meeting-and-events.html>

- **North Central Electric Cooperative**

https://www.ncelec.org/sites/ncelec/files/documents/member_documents/NCE%20Code%20of%20Regulations%20Revised%20July%202017%20Reviewed%20July%202020.pdf

<https://www.ncelec.org/annual-meeting>

- **[Burke-Divide Electric Cooperative](#)**

<https://www.bdec.coop/bylaws>

<https://www.bdec.coop/annual-meeting>

- **[KEM Electric Cooperative](#)**

https://www.kemelectric.com/sites/default/files/Articles_of_Association_Bylaws_2023.pdf

<https://www.kemelectric.com/annual-meeting>

- **[Traverse Electric Cooperative](#)**

<https://www.traverseelectric.com/sites/default/files/images/Bylaws%20July%202020%20Booklet%20%281%29.pdf>

<https://traverseelectric.com/annual-meeting>