Town of Carrboro



Legislation Text

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TITLE:

Adoption of Rules of Procedure for Boards and Commissions, the Advisory Board Recruitment and Appointment Policy, and Associated Ordinance Changes

PURPOSE: The purpose of this item is to allow the Board of Aldermen adopt the Rules and Procedures for Boards and Commission, the Advisory Board Recruitment and Appointment Policy, and associated ordinance changes.

DEPARTMENT: Town Clerk

CONTACT INFORMATION: Catherine Dorando

INFORMATION: In coordination with the Town's Management Team, the draft Rules of Procedure for Boards and Commissions and the Advisory Board Recruitment and Appointment Policies were drafted. These documents are intended to formalize a policy that will allow the Board of Aldermen, staff, and advisory boards to function effectively, efficiently, and consistently. Consistency in process and adherence to public records laws is the impetus behind the creation of these policies.

The Advisory Board Recruitment and Appointment Policy (previously discussed as "Advisory Board Guidelines") was discussed by the Board in September of 2015. Changes discussed in that that meeting have been incorporated into the policy.

The Town Clerk provided the draft Rules of Procedure for Boards and Commissions document for the Board to discuss during the October 3, 2017 meeting.

Policy questions the board discussed included:

- 1. Explicitly stating that advisory board members must refrain from voting on items that financially impact themselves or their employer.
 - This has been added to the Rules of Procedure and provided as a Town Code amendment in the attached ordinance.
- 2. Further clarification of the Board Liaison role. The Board agreed that the position should not be a member nor participate by vote.
 - Alderman Chaney provided language that the attorney has included in the attached ordinance and in the Rules of Procedure.

• The following changed for liaison seats have been proposed in the attached draft ordinance:

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		Board Liaison				
		Referenced			Town	
		in Town			Code	
1	Board	Code	Member	Vote?	Section	Amendment Suggested
2	Affordable Housing Advisory Commission	Yes	No	No	3-24.14	
3	Appearance Commission	NO				
4	Arts Committee	NO				
5	Board of Adjustment	NO				
6	Economic Sustainability Commission	No			3-24.3	
7	Environmental Advisory Board	NO				
						As there shall beappointed by the Board as non-voting liaison
8	Greenways Commission	YES	Yes	YES	3-24.7	members
9	Human Services Advisory Commission	NO			3-7	
10	Northern Transition Area Advisory Com	NO				
11	Planning Board	No				
12	Recreation and Parks Commission	Yes	Yes	NO	3-27	
						one of these members shall be a member of the Board of Aldermen
13	Safe Routes to School Implementation (Yes	Yes	?	3-24.10	appointed by the Board as a non-voting liaison member.
14	Stormwater Advisory Commission	Yes	Yes	No	3-24.15	
				NO (May participate in		
				deliberations but shall		
15	Transportation Advisory Board	Yes	YES	have no vote)	3-24	
16	Youth Advisory Board	NO				
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						All advisory boards and commissions established by this chapter are
	NEW SECTION OF TOWN CODE - Rules					subject to the Rules and Procedure for Town of Carrboro Advisory
	of Procedure for Advisory Boards and					Boards and Commissions adopted as Administrative Policy #
18	Commissions				3-43	

- 3. All Advisory Board and Commission meetings be audio recorded.
 - Language has been included.
- 4. Remote attendance
 - Language has been included.

FISCAL & STAFF IMPACT: Each advisory board has a budget and added use of audio recording should be achievable with existing funds.

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the Board of Aldermen adopt the Rules of Procedure

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for Boards and Commission.