

# ABILENE CITIZENS SERVING CITIZENS

**ABILENE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, INC.** - Promotes, assists, and enhances economic activities for small and minority businesses; makes contracts, incurs liabilities, deals in and with property of real, personal, or mixed character, or any interest therein. 2-Year term – terms expire January. Staff Contact: Kent Sharp, Economic Development Director, [kent.sharp@abilenetx.com](mailto:kent.sharp@abilenetx.com), 676-6467

**ABILENE HEALTH FACILITIES DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION** - Issues revenue bonds on behalf of the City for financing health facilities. 3-Year term – terms expire November. Staff Contact: Mike Rains, Director of Finance - 676-6324; [mike.rains@abilenetx.com](mailto:mike.rains@abilenetx.com)

**ABILENE HOUSING AUTHORITY** – Provides rental assistance to low-income families through various HUD-funded programs, including Housing Choice Voucher and Low Rent Public Housing. 2-Year term – terms expire November. Staff Contact: Tana Kauffman, Executive Assistant - 676-6385x6379 [tana.kauffman@abileneha.org](mailto:tana.kauffman@abileneha.org)

**ABILENE PUBLIC HEALTH CORPORATION** – Established to acquire, construct, provide, improve, finance, and refinance health facilities to assist the maintenance of the public health. 2-Year term-term expires in August Staff Contact: Robert Hanna, City Manager - 676-6206; [Robert.Hanna@abilenetx.com](mailto:Robert.Hanna@abilenetx.com)

**ABILENE-TAYLOR COUNTY CHILD ADVOCACY CENTER ADVISORY BOARD** – Supports the cooperative team approach to the investigation of child abuse and neglect. The Advisory Board assists in the operational development of the ATCCAC by reviewing interagency policies, providing public awareness, assisting in interagency networking and training, providing community input, obtaining donations and reviewing budget expenditures (county, state, federal and local donations). 3-Year term – terms expire December Staff Contact: Melinda Beard, Child Advocacy Center Coordinator – 738-8063; [Melinda.beard@abilenetx.com](mailto:Melinda.beard@abilenetx.com)

**ABILENE-TAYLOR COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD** - Serves in an advisory capacity to the Director of Public Health and City Council in the implementation and enforcement of health laws, rules and regulations of the City, Taylor County, and the State. 3-Year term-terms expire November Staff Contact: Lesli Andrews, Director Community Services - 676-6220; [lesli.andrews@abilenetx.com](mailto:lesli.andrews@abilenetx.com)

**ABILENE-TAYLOR COUNTY VENUE DISTRICT** – The City, County, and School have a shared, vested interest in building, developing and operating attractions and venues that spur and continue growth of the educational and tourism industry for the area. 2-Year term-terms expire November Staff Contact: Mike Rains – 676-6254; [Mike.Rains@abilenetx.com](mailto:Mike.Rains@abilenetx.com)

**AIRPORT DEVELOPMENT BOARD** - Provides emphasis, assistance, information and support to the Council to ensure efficient and effective operation of the Abilene Regional Airport while maximizing its growth potential. 3-Year term-terms expire November. Staff Contact: Don Green, Director of Transportation Services - 676-6061; [don.green@abilenetx.com](mailto:don.green@abilenetx.com)

**ANIMAL SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD** - Advises City in compliance with standards for the animal shelter and the care of animals. Consists of individuals involved with animals. 3-Year terms-terms expire November. Staff Contact: Mirenda Walden – 698-0085; [mirenda.walden@abilenetx.com](mailto:mirenda.walden@abilenetx.com)

**BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT** - Hears appeals concerning the City's enforcement of Zoning Ordinance, interprets the ordinance, acts on requests for special permits; grants variances under terms of ordinance. 2-Year term-terms expire November. Staff Contact: Dana Schoening, Director of Planning & Development Services - 676-6237 [dana.schoening@abilenetx.com](mailto:dana.schoening@abilenetx.com)

**BOARD OF BUILDING STANDARDS** - Hears appeals concerning the Building Code and Housing Code and reviews building condemnation cases. Comprised of various building professionals. 2-Year term-terms expire November. Staff Contact: [Dana.Schoening@abilenetx.com](mailto:Dana.Schoening@abilenetx.com) - 676-6237

**CITYLINK ADA ADVISORY COMMITTEE** - Ensures efficient and effective operation of CityLink's services for persons with disabilities and adherence to the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, subsequent Federal Transit Administration regulations, and CityLink's ADA Paratransit Plan. 3-Year term-terms expire May. Staff Contact: Don Green, Director of Transportation Services- 676-6061; [don.green@abilenetx.com](mailto:don.green@abilenetx.com)

**CIVIC ABILENE, INC.** - Makes recommendations as to operating policies, rental rates, concessions, planning and entertainment and social activities of the Civic Center, and has the authority to sponsor or contract for programs. 3-Year terms-terms expire May. Staff Contact: Molly Moser, Civic Center Superintendent - 676-6210; [Molly.Moser@abilenetx.com](mailto:Molly.Moser@abilenetx.com)

**CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION** - Appeals board for suspended or aggrieved civil service employees, formulates qualifications for fire and police applicants, and makes investigations concerning Civil Service Rules and Regulations. 3-Year term-terms expire November. Staff Contact: Ronnie Kidd, Managing Director of Administrative Services- 676-6469; [ronnie.kidd@abilenetx.com](mailto:ronnie.kidd@abilenetx.com)

**COMMUNITY ACCESS TASK FORCE** – Builds a stronger community and encourages active participation by connecting Abilene citizens and the city government through facilitating education, community awareness and access for all citizens. 3-Year term-terms expire May. Staff Contact: Ronnie Kidd, Managing Director of Administrative Services - 676-6469; [ronnie.kidd@abilenetx.com](mailto:ronnie.kidd@abilenetx.com)

**DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION OF ABILENE, INC.** - Carries out economic development to benefit the citizens of Abilene. 3-Year term-terms expire November. Staff Contact: Kent Sharp - 676-6467; [Kent.Sharp@abilenetx.com](mailto:Kent.Sharp@abilenetx.com)

**FRIENDS OF SAFETY CITY BOARD** – Supports the mission of Safety City. Terms expire May Contact: Evan Harris – 676-6641; [eharris@ffin.com](mailto:eharris@ffin.com)

**FRONTIER TEXAS! BOARD OF DIRECTORS** - Supports an educational and cultural undertaking for the general moral, intellectual and physical improvement and welfare of the people of the City of Abilene and the surrounding region. Its specific purpose will be to provide a historical, cultural and educational perspective of life on the Texas frontier, including a transportation component and aspects of the Texas Forts Trail. 3-Year term – terms expire February. Staff Contact: Jeff Salmon, Executive Director – 437-2800; [jeff@frontiertexas.com](mailto:jeff@frontiertexas.com)

**KEEP ABILENE BEAUTIFUL** - Encourages informed and active participation of citizens in making Abilene a cleaner, safer, and more attractive place to live, work, and play. 3-Year term – terms expire September. Staff Contact: Nicole Eaves, 676-6281 [nicole.eaves@abilenetx.com](mailto:nicole.eaves@abilenetx.com)

**LANDMARKS COMMISSION** - Provides for the protection and preservation of structures and lands deemed by the community to be of unique historical, architectural, and cultural value. 3-Year term – terms expire November. Staff Contact: Dana Schoening, Director, Planning & Development Services - 676-6237; [dana.schoening@abilenetx.com](mailto:dana.schoening@abilenetx.com)

**LIBRARY BOARD** - Liaison between Library Administration and City Council helps determine financial needs of library; advises Library Administrative staff concerning policies affecting the general public. 2-Year term – terms expire November. Staff Contact: Lori Grumet, Librarian -676-6018; [lori.grumet@abilenetx.com](mailto:lori.grumet@abilenetx.com)

**MAYOR'S COUNCIL ON PHYSICAL FITNESS** – Established with a grant from the TX Department of State Health Services through the Governor's Advisory Council on Physical Fitness, this Mayor's Council was formed to encourage and promote physical activity in Abilene. Comprised of nine (9) board members; 3-Year terms – Terms expire in May. Staff Contact: Cindy Chitwood, 676-6248 [cindy.chitwood@abilenetx.com](mailto:cindy.chitwood@abilenetx.com)

**MECHANICAL/PLUMBING/ELECTRICAL & SWIMMING POOL BOARD OF APPEALS** - Provides Mechanical and Electrical Code interpretations; advises City Council concerning recommendations for Code revisions; hears appeals from building official rulings; issues electrical licenses, certificates; establishes rules, interprets construction regulations, reviews alternate methods, administers licensing provisions of Ordinances. Comprised of various building professionals to include licensed engineer, electrician, master plumber, mechanical contractor, or homebuilder, and swimming pool contractors. 2-Year term – terms expire May. Staff Contact: Dana Schoening - 676-6486; [dana.schoening@abilenetx.com](mailto:dana.schoening@abilenetx.com)

**MENTAL HEALTH-MENTAL RETARDATION BOARD OF TRUSTEES** - Provides for the local administration and coordination of services to the mentally ill and mentally retarded. 2-Year term – terms expire August. Staff Contact: Danette Dunlap, City Secretary – 676-6202; [danette.dunlap@abilenetx.com](mailto:danette.dunlap@abilenetx.com)

**MUNICIPAL GOLF ADVISORY BOARD** – On March 10, 2009, the Parks & Recreation Board relinquished its oversight of municipal golf courses in the City of Abilene. This board was established on April 9, 2009, and is comprised of seven (7) citizens of Abilene appointed by the Mayor with Council approval. The purpose being to make recommendations to the City Council to assist in developing and overseeing municipal golf programs and courses to meet the needs of the community. Staff Contact: Lesli Andrews, Director of Community Services, 676-6220; [Lesli.Andrews@abilenetx.com](mailto:Lesli.Andrews@abilenetx.com)

**9-1-1 EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS DISTRICT BOARD OF MANAGERS** – Manages, controls, and administers 9-1-1 district. 2-Year term – terms expire February. Staff Contact: Ronnie Kidd, Managing Director of Administrative Services – 676-6469; [ronnie.kidd@abilenetx.com](mailto:ronnie.kidd@abilenetx.com)

**OFFICE OF NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD** - Coordinates and manages neighborhood resources and services aimed at improving the vitality of Abilene's neighborhoods. 2-Year term – terms expire November. Staff Contact: Dana Schoening, Director of Planning & Development Services – 676-6237; [dana.schoening@abilenetx.com](mailto:dana.schoening@abilenetx.com)

**PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD** - Has jurisdiction and control over all parks and recreation lands and term – terms expire May. Staff Contact: Lesli Andrews, Director of Community Services - 676-6220; [lesli.andrews@abilenetx.com](mailto:lesli.andrews@abilenetx.com)

**PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION** - Develops a general plan for physical development of the City, recommends approval or disapproval of proposed zoning district changes to City Council. Comprised of citizens of Abilene who own real property in City and do not hold elective office of the State or any other political subdivision. 3-Year term – terms expire in November. Staff Contact: Dana Schoening, Director of Planning & Development Services - 676-6237; [dana.schoening@abilenetx.com](mailto:dana.schoening@abilenetx.com)

**SENIOR CITIZENS BOARD** - Advises City Council and Parks & Recreation Board improving services to senior citizens. Must be a resident of the City, 60 years of age or older. 2-Year term – terms expire May. Staff Contact: Jeff White, Senior Services, 734-5306; [jeff.white@abilenetx.com](mailto:jeff.white@abilenetx.com)

**VISUAL ARTS JURY** - Advises City Council on reviewing works of art that shall become City property or be displayed in public places. 3-Year term – terms expire May. Staff Contact: Lesli Andrews, Director of Community Services - 676-6220; [Lesli.Andrews@abilenetx.com](mailto:Lesli.Andrews@abilenetx.com)

**WEST CENTRAL TEXAS MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT** - Provides a source of water supply for municipal, domestic, industrial and mining use, and for the treatment and processing of such water. 2-Year term – terms expire May. Staff Contact: Lauren Field, 673-8254 ext. 109 [lauren.field@wctmwd.org](mailto:lauren.field@wctmwd.org)

**YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL** - Provides an opportunity for youth to share in local government matters, learn to become responsible citizens, and have a voice in decisions relating to youth affairs in the community. 1-Year term – terms expire September Staff Contact: Danette Dunlap, City Secretary, 676-6202 [danette.dunlap@abilenetx.com](mailto:danette.dunlap@abilenetx.com)