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City Boards & Commissions

PURPOSE OF BOARDS & COMMISSIONS (ADVISORY BODIES)

The City Council is accountable to the citizens of Rancho Mirage for its actions and, therefore, cannot delegate its policy-making responsibility. However, because this is a complex and far-reaching responsibility, the City Council welcomes the input of advisory bodies in the many different areas affected by municipal government. Boards and commissions are established as advisory bodies to the City Council. They cannot commit City resources, direct staff, or establish policy for the City. Their primary role is to increase public input and participation in the determination of City policies and operating procedures.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Any citizen interested in serving on a City Board or Commission is invited to complete an application form and submit it to the City Clerk's office. Board Commission terms are for a one-year period, beginning June 1st of each year. When an unscheduled vacancy occurs, a notice is posted and applications for that vacancy (new and those already on file) are forwarded to the City Council for consideration. Applications remain on file for one year.

ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD

Advises the Planning Commission on matters pertaining to the design and appearance of developments to encourage the most appropriate and beneficial use of land and to protect and preserve the natural desert charm and beauty of the City. *(Typically meets the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month at 12:30 p.m. at City Hall)*

COMMUNITY CULTURAL COMMISSION

Advises the City Council on matters pertaining to the development and prosperity of the cultural environment of the City and to enhancing access to cultural amenities for all City residents. *(Typically meets the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 12:00 p.m. at the Library)*

COMMUNITY EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS COMMISSION

Advises the City Council on matters pertaining to the City's coordinated, responsive, and effective emergency preparedness disaster implementation plan and high degree of readiness to respond to disastrous events. *(Typically meets the 4th Tuesday of each month at 2:30 p.m. at City Hall)*

COMMUNITY PARKS AND TRAILS COMMISSION

Advises the City Council on matters pertaining to development of a balanced system of parks and trails which meet the active and passive recreation needs of all current and future City residents and visitors. *(Typically meets the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 3:30 p.m. at City Hall)*

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

Advises the City Council on matters pertaining to the recognition and preservation of the City's many historic resources. *(Meets as needed at City Hall)*

HOUSING COMMISSION

Advises the Housing Authority (City Council) on matters pertaining to the City's public housing programs. *(Typically meets quarterly on the 1st Wednesday of February, May, August, and November at City Hall)*

LIBRARY ADVISORY COMMISSION

Advises the Library and Observatory Board (City Council) on matters pertaining to the development, operation and maintenance of library services in the City. *(Typically meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 11:00 a.m. at the Library)*

LIBRARY AND OBSERVATORY FOUNDATION BOARD

A tax exempt 501(c)(3) corporation organized to promote the use of the Rancho Mirage Library and Observatory and to provide additional funds for program enrichment. *(Typically meets the 1st Tuesday of each month at 12:00 p.m. at the Library)*

MOBILE HOME FAIR PRACTICES COMMISSION

Investigates, hears and determines petitions regarding the City's Mobile Home Rent Control Ordinance and other mobile home park related matters. *(Meets as needed at City Hall)*

OBSERVATORY ADVISORY COMMISSION

Advises the Library and Observatory Board (City Council) on policies, procedures, development, use, activities and operations of the Observatory to maximize educational, cultural, and research benefits. *(Typically meets the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month at 4:00 p.m. at the Library)*

PLANNING COMMISSION

Holds public hearings and makes determinations on matters relating to land use and land development in the City and advises the City Council on matters related to the same. *(Typically meets the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month at 2:00 p.m. at City Hall)*

SPEAKER SERIES COMMISSION

Advises the City Council on matters pertaining to the Rancho Mirage Speaker Series Program. *(Typically meets the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 1:00 p.m. at City Hall)*

TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION

Advises the City Council on matters pertaining to traffic safety conditions in the City. *(Meets as needed at City Hall)*

For additional information, please visit the City's website at www.RanchoMirageCA.gov, or contact the City Clerk's office at (760) 324-4511.