



Legislation Text

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COUNCIL ITEM OF SPECIAL INTEREST - BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

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Purpose and Policy Guidance

At the January 19, 2016 Council Workshop, Councilmembers requested an overview on boards and commissions as a Special Interest Item. This is for information only.

Background

On January 19, 2016, at a Council Workshop, Councilmembers Malnar and Tolmachoff requested staff to conduct additional research on rules, procedures, roles and responsibilities pertaining to Boards and Commissions.

There are currently seventeen (17) active Boards and Commissions with the City. Each board and commission has specific requirements as determined by Glendale City Code, City Ordinances and Arizona Revised Statutes. The attached report provides a summary of each of board and commission including a description of the responsibilities and roles, membership requirements, term, term limits, chair selection and references.

Analysis

During the January 19, 2016 Council Workshop, staff was directed to respond to the following questions:

Can legal staff provide an overview of the roles and responsibilities of the various boards and commissions based on current State Statute, Ordinances and the City Charter?

The attached report provides a summary of each board and commission including descriptions of the responsibilities and roles, membership requirements, term, term limits, chair selection and references.

Is there a reason in the Charter, Code or Guidelines that prevents a board member from serving on more than one board or commission? Are we currently following the rules?

There are currently no rules within City Code or City Charter limiting a member from serving on more than one board or commission.

Since there aren't any restrictions preventing a board member from serving on more than one board or commission the City is currently in compliance.

Are there any rules to prevent someone from serving more than two (2) two-year terms?

Each board and commission has specific guidelines and/or restrictions. The Glendale Arts Commission, pursuant to Glendale City Code Chapter 2, Article VI, Section 2-228 has a term limit of two (2) consecutive

terms of two (2) years. Others, such as Aviation Advisory Commission and Boards of Adjustment do not have term limit restrictions.