

City of Peoria Commission Volunteer Interest Sheet

Committed volunteers play an important part in shaping Peoria's future. Commission members assist the City Council and administration in developing policies and services which reflect the needs and values of the entire Peoria community. As a member of a City committee, you serve as a respected community advisor to the City Council and Administration.

While volunteer involvement requires time and effort, it also provides an opportunity for genuine public service. In addition, you gain knowledge about the role of City government and its day-to-day operations.

If you are interested in joining over 400 Peoria citizens currently serving as volunteer commission and committee members, please complete this volunteer interest sheet/profile and return it to:

Office of the Mayor
City of Peoria
419 Fulton Street, Suite 207
PEORIA, IL. 61602

Questions about the purpose of, or volunteer commitment required for any of the commissions can be directed to the Assistant to the Mayor, Michelle King, at mking@peoriagov.org or 309.494.8558.

I am interested in serving on the following committees:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Advisory Committee on Police-Community Relations | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Peoria Civic Center Authority |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Board of Examining Engineers | <input type="checkbox"/> | Peoria Housing Authority |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Board of Local Improvements | <input type="checkbox"/> | Peoria Urban Forestry Advisory Board |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CDBG Public Service Advisory Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> | Peoria Public Library Board of Trustees |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Constitution Garden Advisory Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> | Planning and Zoning Commission |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Construction Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> | Police Pension Fund Board of Trustees |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Downtown Advisory Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> | Public Arts Advisory Commission |
| <input type="checkbox"/> East Village Growth Cell | <input type="checkbox"/> | Public Building Commission of Peoria |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fair Employment Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> | Riverfront Program and Police Advisory |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fair Housing Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> | Sister City Commission |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fire and Police Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> | Solid Waste (Landfill) Committee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Firemen's Pension Fund Board of Trustees | <input type="checkbox"/> | Springdale Cemetery Management Authority |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Greater Peoria Mass Transit District Board of Trustees | <input type="checkbox"/> | Tourism Reserve Fund |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic Preservation Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> | Transportation Commission |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Liquor Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> | Zoning Board of Appeals |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mayor's Advisory Committee for Citizens with Disabilities | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Metropolitan Airport Authority of Peoria Board of Commissioners | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Municipal Band Commission | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Peoria Area Convention and Visitors Bureau Board of Directors | | |

Volunteer Profile

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Preferred method of contact: mail, email, or fax. Email, please

Preference on which commission you would like to serve: Peoria Civic Center Authority

Community Volunteer Experience:

- Various special events: RiverFront Festivals, Golf events, Peoria Zoo events, etc.
- Almost Home Kids

Have you previously served on a City Commission? No

If yes, state commission and date of service:

Professional and Employment Background:

- May 2018 – Current: Peoria Park District, Superintendent of Finance & Administrative Services
- February 2011 – April 2018: Peoria Park District, Finance Supervisor
- August 2004 – December 2010: Old Second National Bank, Aurora IL, Treasury Services AVP
- May 2002 – August 2004: Champaign County Clerk's Office, Clerk Associate

· Educational Background:

- University of Illinois Urbana/Champaign – Bachelor of Arts
Major: Political Science & Minor: Business Studies

State briefly why you wish to be considered for a City volunteer commission and what you would hope to accomplish if appointed:

- I have lived in the Peoria area since 2011, and in that time I have loved discovering all the “big city” amenities and experiences Peoria offers, while still maintaining its “small town” community feel. I have enjoyed many concerts, theater productions, sporting events, and conferences at the Peoria Civic Center. The venue is an outstanding place for the community to come together to enjoy entertainment and to commune together in activities that unite us.

Certainly the Civic Center is facing real challenges in the face of the COVID-19 pandemic. But, I believe it's crucial for leaders in the community to work together to ensure the long term viability of such a valuable resource. I hope to have the opportunity to help the Civic Center maneuver these difficult times and strengthen its presence as a regional draw to the Peoria community.

Would your service on a City commission be a conflict of interest for you?

- I do not believe my appointment to the Civic Center Authority Board would be a conflict of interest. The only possible issue that I believe could require me to abstain from debate and voting would if the Civic Center were to negotiate or enter into an agreement with Peoria Park District, my current employer.

Signature: Karrie Ross

Date: July 13, 2020

Please Note: If you are selected for appointment to a City commission, a copy of this form will be attached to the public Council communication requesting your appointment.