



**City of Peoria  
Committee Volunteer Interest Sheet**

Committed volunteers play an important part in shaping Peoria's future. Committee 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 committee members, please complete this volunteer interest sheet and profile and return it to the:

City of Peoria  
Mayor's Office  
419 Fulton Street, Suite 207  
Peoria, IL. 61602

Any questions can be directed to the Assistant to the Mayor, Michelle King, at [mking@peoriagov.org](mailto:mking@peoriagov.org) or 309-494-8558.

I am interested in serving on the following committees:

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



Profile

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Preference on which commission you would like to serve: Public Arts Advisory Commission

Community volunteer experience: ArtsPartners of Central Illinois Board of Directors (2014-2020), including chair Sky Art Peoria, Sculpture Walk Peoria and the Citywide Celebration of Women in the Arts committees; ART, Inc. Board of Directors (2019-2021); Community Foundation of Central Illinois' Arts Grants committee (2015-2017); Align Peoria Marketing Committee (2019); ACORN Equality Fund Board of Directors (2017-2019); Peoria Public Art (2018-2019). Currently serving on the Public Relations Association of Central Illinois Board of Directors.

Have you previously served on a City commission? If yes, state commission and date of service: No.

Professional and employment background: Instructor, Methodist College and St. Ambrose University (2014-2015); Peoria Magazines, Contributor (2015-2020); Peoria Symphony Orchestra, Director of Marketing and Communications (2018-2021); Peoria Magazines, Director of Business Development (Present); Big Picture Initiative, Executive Director (Beginning June 2021)

Educational background: B.A., Taylor University; MTh, University of Edinburgh, Scotland; PhD, University of Edinburgh, Scotland

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

I have a longstanding involvement with the arts in Peoria—and, in particular, public art. My fervent belief is that the arts are essential to maintaining a positive community environment, as well as attracting new talent to our city.

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

Signature: Mae Gilliland Wright Date: 5-19-21

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.