



City of Yakima

News Release

Subject: Applicants Sought for Board and Commission Openings

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Volunteer Opportunities on City Boards and Commissions

The Yakima City Council is looking for volunteers interested in serving on the City of Yakima Planning Commission, Community Review Board, and the Board of Appeals. Each committee has one vacancy.

There are seven members of the Planning Commission, all of whom serve four-year terms and must live within Yakima city limits or own a business or real property within city limits. The Planning Commission meets twice monthly and works on long range planning issues within city limits.

There is no residency requirement for the opening on the Community Review Board, but the positions must represent different aspects of the public as a whole and the current vacant position represents the health community. The board has seven members who serve three-year terms. The Community Review Board is responsible for conducting administrative hearings and rendering decisions based upon written findings and do all things necessary and proper to carry out and enforce chapter 11.10 of the Yakima Municipal Code. The board holds twice monthly meetings, but may also conduct additional meetings as needed.

There are seven members on the Board of Appeals who serve three-year terms. The Board of Appeals members are qualified by experience and training to evaluate appeals pertaining to building construction. The board currently requires a mechanical contractor or a developer.

Anyone interested in applying for openings can download an application from the City of Yakima website - <https://www.yakimawa.gov/council/assets/Application-form-for-City-of-Yakima-Boards-and-Commissions.pdf> - or can pick up an application at the City Clerk's office at Yakima City Hall.

For more information about current or future openings on City of Yakima boards, committees, or commissions, contact City Clerk Sonya Claar Tee by phone (575-6037) or by e-mail (sonya.claartee@yakimawa.gov).