

EVANSTON

Boards, Committees and Commission Consolidation Proposal

March 21, 2016

BOARD, COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS

Existing BCCs - 45

Proposed BCCs – 27

Proposal aligns several BCCs with the STAR community rating system. The proposal consolidates several committees and commissions into new committees, such as the Equity and Empowerment Committee, Community Services Committee and the Climate, Energy and Natural Resources Committee.

STAR COMMUNITIES

The STAR Communities framework evaluates local governments on economic, environmental and social factors to measure sustainability. STAR stands for “**Sustainability Tools for Assessing and Rating**” Communities.

The 7 Goal Areas:

- Built Environment
- Climate and Energy
- Economy and Jobs
- Education, Arts and Community
- Equity and Empowerment
- Health and Safety
- Natural Systems



NEW COMMITTEES

Creation of new committees that aligned with STAR Community rating criteria. The new committees are created from existing BCCs with similar objectives.

1. EQUITY AND EMPOWERMENT COMMITTEE

Combines:

- ADA Advisory Committee
- Housing and Homelessness Commission
- Human Relations Commission
- Mental Health Board
- Housing and Community Development Act Committee
- Transportation and Parking Committee (Transportation Only)

NEW COMMITTEES

3. COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

Combines:

- Animal Welfare Board
- Commission on Aging
- Committee on Public Place Names
- Parks and Recreation Board (Recreation Only)

6. CLIMATE, ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Combines:

- Environment Board
- Ladd Arboretum Committee
- Lighthouse Landing Complex Committee
- Parks and Recreation Board (Parks Only)
- Utilities Commission

COMBINING EXISTING BCC

Combining existing BCCs with similar objectives.

5. DESIGN AND PROJECT REVIEW COMMITTEE

Includes:

- Sign Review and Appeals Board

10. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Includes:

- M/W/EBE Committee
- Taxicab Advisory Commission
- Transportation and Parking Committee (Parking Only)

11. PLAN COMMISSION

Includes:

- Zoning Board of Appeals

NO CHANGE TO EXISTING BCC

No changes will be made to the following committees:

2. EVANSTON ARTS COUNCIL
4. PRESERVATION COMMISSION
7. FIREFIGHTERS PENSION BOARD
8. LIBRARY BOARD
9. LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD
12. POLICE PENSION BOARD
13. PUBLIC SAFETY CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION
14. NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY/CITY COMMITTEE

NO CHANGE TO EXISTING BCC

No changes will be made to the following committees:

- 15. CITY SCHOOL LIAISON COMMITTEE
- 16. CHICAGO MAIN TIF COMMITTEE
- 17. BOARD OF LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS
- 18. JOINT REVIEW BOARD
- 19. COMPENSATION COMMITTEE
- 24. MAYOR'S YOUTH TASK FORCE
- 25. 911-EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM COMMITTEE
- 26. CITIZENS POLICE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
- 27. BOARD OF ETHICS

STANDING COMMITTEES

No changes will be made to City Council standing committees:

20. RULES COMMITTEE

21. ADMINISTRATION AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

22. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

23. HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

INACTIVE COMMITTEES

Inactive committees to be eliminated :

- CIVIC CENTER COMMITTEE
- LAKEFRONT COMMITTEE
- WIND FARM COMMITTEE

RECOMMENDATION

1. City Council receives this report.
2. City Council directs City Manager to solicit feedback from BCCs to return to the Rules Committee in June 2016 with an update.