Template: Advisory Committees

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The purpose is to contribute expertise and advise City departments, elected officials, or decision-making bodies.

Applies to:

• Bodies with no decision-making authority

Draft Template Components

Category	Component	Advisory Committees		
Purpose	Statement of responsibilities	Responsibilities of advisory bodies are limited to providing advice and expertise to the City departments, elected officials, or decision-making bodies they are tasked with advising. These bodies are not able to direct staff or department activities.		
Member Attributes and Processes	Appointing Authority	No recommendations around appointing authorities. Should be determined in the authorizing legislation and based on the need of the body.		
	Appointment Confirmations Member Removal	No confirmations		
	Term Lengths	At will 3 years. Cannot exceed the initial or remaining term of the advisory body. Any staggering should be handled on a case-by-case basis if the body is re-authorized.		
	Term Limits	Any limits on consecutive terms should be handled on a case-by-case basis if the body is re-authorized. In general, one member should not serve for more than 12 years.		
	Qualifications	Specific requirements should be decided on an individual body basis. If no explicit requirements, require appointing authority to submit some information on why a candidate is qualified.		
	Compensation and Benefits	Members are ineligible for benefits. Compensation is not applicable to the templates and shall follow current structure, where the BOS is permitted to authorize stipends.		
Body	Establishing Authority	Administrative code		
Operations	Sunset Dates	3 years		
and Attributes	Re-Authorization	Body may not be automatically re-authorized; BOS must take affirmative action to re-authorize the body.		
	Commission Size	15 members		
Required Outputs	Required Outputs	Require statement of purpose upon creation of body, reaffirm statement of purpose if body is re-authorized upon sunset date. Provide report on activities upon sunset date, if body is considered for re-authorization.		