



City of Gainesville

City Council, Boards or Commissions Application

PUBLIC INFORMATION NOTICE

Certain information submitted on the City Council / Boards and Commission Application is subject to the Texas Public Information Act (Chapter 552, Vernon's Texas Codes Annotated) and may be disclosed to anyone requesting this information. The act allows a board member of a governmental body to choose whether to allow public access to the information in the custody of the city that relates to the home address, home phone number, social security number, or that reveals whether the board member has family members.

NAME (legal): _____ **Preferred Name:** _____

ADDRESS: _____

HOME/CELL PHONE: _____ **BUSINESS PHONE:** _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

DRIVERS LICENSE NUMBER: _____ **STATE ISSUED:** _____

CITY OF GAINESVILLE RESIDENT: YES NO **CITY WARD YOU RESIDE IN:** _____

REGISTERED VOTER: YES NO

JOB TITLE/OCCUPATION: _____ **EMPLOYER:** _____

EMPLOYER ADDRESS: _____ **CITY** _____ **ZIP** _____

EDUCATION (Degrees/Area of Study): _____

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS
(Present/Past Memberships and Offices Held)

COMMUNITY SERVICE
(Present/Past Memberships and Offices Held)

LIST ALL VOLUNTEER WORK YOU PARTICIPATE IN.

PERSONAL REFERENCES:

Name: _____ Phone Number: _____ Years Known: _____
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HAVE YOU PREVIOUSLY SERVED ON A CITY OF GAINESVILLE BOARD OR COMMISSION?

YES _____ NO

Please list any abilities, skills, licenses, certificates, specialized training, or interests you have which are applicable to the board or commission.

FINANCIAL INTEREST:

Do you or any relative(s)* have any financial interest direct or indirect, in any contract with the City, including the sale of any land, right or interest in any land, materials, supplies, or service, in which the financial benefit includes ownership interest of more than ten (10) percent; or compensation directly affected by the contract with the City? YES _____ NO

**Related within the second degree by consanguinity or affinity. This includes spouse, parents, children, stepchildren, father and mother-in-law, son or daughter-in-law, grandparents, grandchildren, brothers, or sisters.*

Please specify any business or personal relationships with the City of Gainesville or other activities, which might create a serious conflict of interest or affect your ability to serve should you be appointed.

SELECTION OF BOARDS

Please choose from below the boards or commissions you are most interested in serving. Before making your selection, carefully review the meeting schedule of the boards you are considering. The City Council encourages board members to maintain a 75% or greater meeting attendance rate. See page number 5 for a description of board or commission and meeting days and times.

- Airport Advisory Board
- Building and Standards Commission
- Gainesville Economic Development Corporation (GEDC)
- Gainesville Housing Authority
- GTUA (Greater Texoma Utility Authority)
- Parks and Recreation Board
- Planning and Zoning Commission
- Texoma Community Center (formerly MHMR)
- Zoning Appeals Board
- City Council (applications are only received when there is a vacancy)

City Council members are defined as local government officers under Local Government Code, Chapter 176, and as such, are subject to conflict of interest disclosure law. Local Government Officers must file a Conflict Disclosure form with the City Secretary within seven days of becoming aware of either of the following situations:

- A city officer or the officer's family member has an employment or business relationship that results in taxable income with a person who has contracted with the city or with whom the city is considering doing business.
- A city officer or the officer's family member receives and accepts one or more gifts with an aggregate value of \$250 in the preceding 12 months from a person who conducts business or is being considered for business with the officer's city.

Board and Commission members are defined as local government officers under Local Government Code, Chapter 176, and as such, are subject to conflict of interest disclosure law. Local Government Officers must file a Conflict Disclosure form with the City Secretary within seven days of becoming aware of either of the following situations:

- A city officer or the officer's family member has an employment or business relationship that results in taxable income with a person who has contracted with the city or with whom the city is considering doing business.
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Statement of Intent

I am aware of the requirements of the City regarding conflicts of interest of appointees to the City of Gainesville Boards and Commissions. I am aware of meeting dates and times of the Board/Commission for which I have applied, and that Board/Commission members are expected to attend a minimum of 75 percent of regularly scheduled meetings annually of their Board/Commission. If appointed, I agree to serve on the Board/Commission for which I have applied. Applications will remain on file for one year from the date of receipt. *The law requires that certain city officials file a “conflicts disclosure statement” if they receive taxable income or certain gifts from any person or business that contracts with a city or is considering doing business with the city. The bill also requires any person or business that contracts with a city or is considering doing business with a city to file a “conflicts of interest questionnaire.” The bill provides that failure to file the statement or questionnaire is punishable as a class C misdemeanor.*

**I affirm that I am qualified to vote.*

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Applications are kept on file for one year and as vacancies occur, applications will be reviewed by City Council. Applications can be submitted in person, by mail, or electronically via email to dalcala@cogtx.org

For more information, contact Diana Alcala, City Secretary at 940-668-4500.

Mail to: Diana Alcala, City Secretary, 200 S. Rusk Gainesville, TX. 76240

In Person: City of Gainesville, Municipal Building, 200 S. Rusk Gainesville, TX 76240

The Airport Advisory Board makes recommendations to ensure the orderly and efficient operation of the Gainesville Municipal Airport for the benefit of the citizens of said city and of the aviation public. This board also advises the City Council of recommended changes in current fees and charges for airport T-hangar rentals and related airport services, in airport rules, regulations, and operations of the Gainesville Municipal Airport. Meetings: Second Monday of each Month.

The Building and Standards Commission: Establishes minimum standards for the construction, use, maintenance, and occupancy of all structures, regardless of date of construction, within the city limits of the city of Gainesville. Establishes minimum standards governing utilities, facilities, and other physical components and conditions essential to make all buildings and structures safe, sanitary, and fit for human habitation. Fixes certain responsibilities and duties of owners, operators, agents, and occupants of all buildings. Authorizes and establishes procedures for the inspection of all buildings unfit for human use, occupancy, and habitation. Establishes procedures for determining whether a building complies with the standards established. Includes provisions for notice and a public hearing. Provides for assessment, a method of notifying the owner of assessment, and a method of recovering expenses incurred by the city in vacating, securing, removing, repairing, or demolishing a substandard structure. Meetings: Third Thursday of each month (or as called).

The Zoning Appeals Board hears and determines appeals regarding the alleged error on any order, requirement, decision, or determination made by the Building Official in the enforcement of the zoning ordinance. The board also reviews certain variance requests. The board consists of five members with two alternates serving two-year terms. Meetings: as called.

The Gainesville Economic Development Corporation (GEDC) Board promotes and encourages employment and the public welfare of, for, and on behalf of the City. The Board also oversees development for parks, auditoriums, learning centers, open space improvements, athletic and exhibition facilities, and other related improvements and for maintenance and operating costs of the publicly owned and operated projects by developing, implementing, providing, and financing projects. The GEDC is incorporated for the purposes set forth in Article IV of its Articles of Incorporation, the same to be accomplished on behalf of the City of Gainesville, Texas as its duly constituted authority and instrumentality in accordance with the Development Corporation Act of 1979, as amended, Article 5190.6, Section 4B, Tex. Rev. Civ. Stat. Ann, as amended, and other applicable laws. The Board consists of seven members and six Ex Officio members elected to two-year terms. Meetings: Fourth Monday of each month at 11:30am.

The Gainesville Housing Authority sets policy for Housing Authority procedures. The Board oversees actions of the Housing Authority and suggests plans and application procedures. The Board has five members elected to two-year terms. Meetings: Second Monday of each month at NOON.

The Greater Texoma Utility Authority, also known as "The Authority" or "GTUA," is a local political subdivision of the state and is governed by a Board of Directors. The member cities of the GTUA are Bailey, Collinsville, Denison, Gainesville, Gunter, Howe, Leonard, Muenster, Pottsboro, Sherman, Tioga, Tom Bean, Valley View, Van Alstyne, Whitesboro, and Whitewright. The Authority provides its member cities with assistance in financing and construction of water and wastewater facilities. The Authority may also be requested to provide operations services for water and wastewater facilities by member cities and others. All services are provided by contract with member cities. The Board has one member appointed to a two-year term. Meetings: Third Monday of each month (or as called).

The Planning and Zoning Commission makes recommendations to the City Council for the orderly development of the city through the adoption and revision of a land use / comprehensive plan, recommends zoning and amendments thereto, examines all proposed divisions of land within the city, which is defined as plans, plats, re-plats, additions, and subdivisions to determine if such division of lands conforms to the general plan of the city, it's streets, alleys, parks, playgrounds, public utility facilities, sanitary facilities, and drainage facilities. The Commission hears requests for exceptions or changes to the Zoning Ordinance; to control platting or subdividing within the city and extra territorial jurisdiction. Meetings: Second Tuesday of each month.

The Texoma Community Center (formerly MHMR) service area is the three-county area including Cooke, Fannin, and Grayson Counties. The Board of Trustees establish policies and responds to demands of three categories of concern or jurisdiction: Political authorities who appointed trustees and those representing public interests and control funds. Internal operations of the center as defined by law. The needs of the community. The Board consists of one member appointed to a two-year term. Meetings: Fourth Wednesday of each month.

Gainesville City Council consists of six Council Members that are elected by the qualified voters in six wards within the city. Residency within the ward is required for Council Members. The Mayor is elected at-large by all qualified voters in the city. The Mayor and Council members are elected for staggered two-year terms. In even numbered years, Council Members are elected in wards three, five, and six. In odd numbered years the Mayor is elected at-large, and Council Members are elected in wards one, two, and four. Applications are only received when there is a Ward vacancy. Meetings: First and Third Tuesday of each month at 6:30pm.