

City of Midland

BOARD AND COMMISSION

APPLICATION PROCESS



Thank you for your interest in applying for a City of Midland board or commission.

The process to apply for a board or commission position is as follows:

1. Complete the application specific to the board or commission of your choice. Applications can be filled out online via the City of Midland website (www.cityofmidlandmi.gov/boardscommissions), or they may be requested in person at the City Manager's Office, by phone at 837-3301, or by e-mailing the City at cityhall@midland-mi.org.

Each board and commission has its own application.

2. Once the application has been completed, please return it by mail or in person to: City Manager's Office, 333 W. Ellsworth St., Midland, MI 48640-5132 or fax: 989-837-5727.

The Midland City Council will review the entire application and any attachments, such as resumes, that accompany the application.

Unless otherwise noted, all information included on or attached to the application will become a matter of public record and will be viewable on the City of Midland website as an informational item attached to City Council agendas. If you would like one or more pieces of information – such as a home phone number – removed from the application and/or any accompanying attachments you provide for Council's consideration, please indicate that on the last page of this application form, and those items will be removed before the information is posted on the website.

3. Typically, a two-person panel from the City Council will schedule a time to interview all qualified candidates applying for a particular board or commission. A representative from the City Manager's Office will contact qualified applicants to schedule an interview time. Appointments are generally made at the first City Council meeting following interviews.

4. If appointed to a board or commission, a City of Midland staff liaison will contact you regarding meeting dates and times and other information you'll need to know to help you in your new role as a board or commission member.

If you have any questions about the City of Midland board and commission application process, please contact the City Manager's Office at 837-3301.

City of Midland Boards and Commissions Attendance Policy

In accord with Sec. 2-243 of the City's Code of Ordinances regarding regular attendance by members of boards and commissions, the following attendance policy was adopted by Midland City Council on July 19, 2004:
The position of a member of any board or commission established by the Charter or the Code of Ordinances of the city that meets more often than quarterly shall be considered vacant if such member shall miss four (4) consecutive, regular held meetings of the board or commission. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the position of a member of any board or commission established by the charter or the code of ordinances of the city shall be considered vacant if such member shall miss more than twenty-five (25) percent of regular meetings scheduled in any fiscal year.

If you have questions regarding this policy, please contact the City staff liaison for the board or commission for which you are applying.



BOARD OF REVIEW APPLICATION

Each March, the Board of Review hears appeals on assessments by property owners. The Board meets three times a year – once in July, once in December, and a third time for five to ten days during March (as necessary for deliberations after the appeal hearings). The Board of Review is comprised of three persons who are taxpayers to the city and have been residents of the city for not less than three years. Appointed members shall serve a term of three years.

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS: This Microsoft Word application may be filled out online using the form fields below, or printed out to your desktop printer and filled out by hand or with a typewriter. If using the online form, simply place your cursor in the first gray square (form field) in the DATE: area below to begin typing, then press the Tab key to go to the next form field. Once filled out completely, save the form to your computer under the file name of your choice, print out the form to your desktop printer, sign it, and return it to the City Manager's Office, 333 W. Ellsworth Street, Midland, MI 48640-5132, or by fax (989-837-5727) to the attention of Rachel Swint.

DATE: _____

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

HOME PHONE: _____ WORK PHONE: _____

CITY WARD: _____ E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

OCCUPATION: _____

EMPLOYER: _____

Are you currently a resident of the City of Midland? _____

In what year did you become a City resident? _____

The Board of Review meets the second week of March for five days to hear property tax appeals. During that week, the Board will meet for several hours during the day and twice in the evening. After all appeals have been heard, they may take several additional days to make all the decisions. They also meet on the third Tuesday in July for a half-day session and on the second Tuesday in December for a half-day session. These half-day sessions are to correct clerical errors and hear Poverty Exemptions.

Are you available to meet during the above times? (Mark "X" for Yes or No) Yes No

What are your interests in the Board of Review?

Why do you feel you are qualified to serve on the Board of Review?

List any other information you feel would be pertinent in assisting the City Council in their selection (you're welcome to attach a resume or list any relevant personal or professional accomplishments).

Appointed members are expected to attend all meetings of the board. A position shall be considered vacant if a member shall miss four (4) consecutive, regular held meetings, or if a member misses more than 25% of the regular meetings scheduled in any fiscal year.

Signature: _____

The above information I have provided is accurate. I have read and understand the requirements to serve as a member on the Board of Review.

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PLEASE REMOVE: _____

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