

**ARTICLE VII
BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS**

SECTION 7.01. PLANNING COMMISSION.

There shall be a City Planning Commission consisting of five members, four of whom shall be citizens who hold no other City office or employment, selected by Council one each year for overlapping terms of four years and one of whom shall be a member of Council, designated annually by Council. The Commission shall adopt its own rules, and elect its own officers annually. It shall have all the power and authority conferred upon city planning commissions by State law and such other duties as may be imposed upon it by the administrative code. Its members shall serve without compensation.

SECTION 7.02. BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS.

There shall be a Board of Zoning Appeals consisting of five members who shall be citizens who hold no other City office or employment, selected by Council one each year for overlapping terms of five years. The Board shall adopt its own rules and elect its own officers annually. It shall have all the power and authority conferred upon boards of zoning appeals by State law and such other duties as may be imposed upon it by ordinance. Its members shall serve without compensation.

SECTION 7.03. BOARD OF HEALTH.

There shall be a Board of Health of the City Health District composed of five members who shall be citizens who hold no other public office or employment selected by Council one each year for overlapping terms of five years. At least one members shall be a physician admitted to practice in Ohio and in good professional standing. The Board shall adopt its own rules and elects its own officers annually. It shall have all the power and authority conferred upon city boards of health by State law and such other duties as may be imposed upon it by the State sanitary code and the City ordinances. Its members shall serve without compensation.

- B. To decide, on Appeal from the Planning Commission, Special Use Permit petitions. To also decide, upon recommendation from the Planning Commission, Planned Development – Special Use Permits
- C. To decide, on appeal from the Planning Commission, Major Site Development Plan petitions.
- E. To initiate applications for Text or Map Amendments to this Ordinance.
- F. To direct the Planning Commission, Board of Zoning Appeals, Building Commissioner, City Engineer or City Attorney to conduct such studies, research, or other actions as appropriate in the review, and administration of this Ordinance.

1002.2 Planning Commission

The Planning Commission shall have the following duties and responsibilities:

- A. To initiate, hear and make recommendations to the City Council on applications for amendments to the text or map of this Ordinance.
- B. To hear and pass upon applications for Special Use Permits, excluding Planned Developments. The Planning Commission shall make recommendations to City Council on Planned Developments – Special Use Permits.
- C. To hear and pass upon applications for Variances in situations which the applicant requires approval from the Planning Commission for another aspect of the same use/development for which approval is being sought. Further, to provide recommendations on variation applications submitted in association with amendments.
- D. To review and approve, deny, or approve with conditions, Major Site Development Plans.
- E. To regularly review and recommend as appropriate, amendments to this Ordinance.
- F. To undertake studies or inquiries as directed by the City Council.

1002.3 Board of Zoning Appeals

The Board of Zoning Appeals shall have the following duties and responsibilities:

- A. To hear and decide Appeals from any order, requirements, decision or determination made by the Building Commissioner.
- B. To approve or deny Conditional Use Permits directed to it by the Building Commissioner.
- C. To hear and pass upon applications for Variances in the manner prescribed by this Ordinance, subject to the superior authority of the Planning Commission to hear and pass upon applications for Variances in those situations in which an action also requires approval of the Planning Commission.
- D. To hear and decide all other matters referred to it or upon which it is required to pass under this Ordinance.