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AB Tech Community College Board of Trustees (Buncombe)

To guide overall operation and direction of the college including the adoption and enforcement of all reasonable rules, regulations and by-laws for its governance.

Vacancies: 1 eligible for reappointment

JUNE, 2021

Meetings: Typically meets monthly at 3:30 PM on the first Monday of the month at A-B Tech -- Magnolia Building.

Agendas/Minutes: https://abtech.edu/about/board-trustees/minutes

Contact:

Adult Care Home Community Advisory Committee (Buncombe)

Visit long term care residents in facilities and address issues of concern as they relate to the Residents Rights. Investigate complaints and serve as mediator for residents with staff; encourage residents and families to take an active role in advocating for themselves and their family members.

Vacancies: Ongoing need

Meetings: Monthly at 9:30 AM on 3rd Friday @ Land of Sky Regional Council Offices at 339 New Leicester Highway Asheville 28806

Agendas/Minutes:

Contact:

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African American Heritage Commission (Joint)

Develop a plan to identify, create, encourage, promote and implement projects that will recognize, increase and expand the awareness of the contributions of African-Americans throughout the
City-County area; and (3) Create plans to identify and recognize sites in the community that are significant to African-American history; encourage and promote economic activity related to the African American community; and propose other projects that are consistent with the goals of the Commission.

The City-County African American Heritage Commission consists of nine members. Three of those members are appointed by the Asheville City Council, three are appointed by the Buncombe County Board of Commissioners, and three are appointed by the six appointed members.

Vacancies: I vacancy for county appointment is open - JUNE, 2021
I vacancy for city appointment is open - JULY, 2021

3 eligible for reappointment in NOVEMBER, 2021

Meetings: 11:30 AM on 2nd Thursday/monthly at 1st Floor, City Hall, North Conference Room

Agendas/Minutes: https://www.ashevillenc.gov/department/city-clerk/boards-and-commissions/african-american-heritage-commission/

Contact:

Agricultural Advisory Board for Farmland Preservation (Buncombe)

Created by the Farmland Preservation Ordinance of 1989, the Board reviews and approves applications for qualified farmland and voluntary ag districts.

Vacancies: 1 vacancy - not eligible for
reappointment

AUGUST, 2021
one more in SEPTEMBER, 2021

Meetings: 11:00 AM on 3rd Tuesday monthly at Soil and Water conference 49 Mt. Carmel Road Asheville 28806 Or at the WNC Ag Center after the Friends of Ag Breakfast.

Agendas/Minutes:

Contact:

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Asheville Planning and Zoning Commission (Buncombe)

An advisory board to City Council. Responsibilities include:
- reviews text for proposed amendments to the Unified Development Ordinance
- hears proposals to zone or change the zoning of property regulated under the Unified Development Ordinance and then makes recommendations to City Council for final action
- performs studies and surveys of the present conditions and probable future development of the City and its environs
- formulates and recommends to the City Council the adoption or amendment of a comprehensive plan and other plans
- reviews the terms of the UDO from time to time, as it deems appropriate
- review applicants of planned unit development designation and preliminary plans
- review and decide on approval of all proposed preliminary plans for major subdivision
- and performs such additional powers and duties as may be set forth elsewhere in the Unified Development Ordinance and in other laws and regulations

Notice: The next Planning and Zoning Commission meeting will be held in person on July 7, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.

Prerecorded voicemail comments by calling 855-925-2801, enter code 9273 (available until 7/6/2021 @ 5:00 p.m.)
Written public comments – JULY7PZC@PublicInput.com – (available until 7/6/2021@ 5:00 p.m.
NOTICE: The agenda commenting period will be closed at 5:00 p.m. the day before the meeting. All public comments will be sent to the commission prior to the meeting but may not be read aloud.
Rules of Procedure: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1BkWUX6N0_em4_hW1DGVs0mqmZ5mQbx_G/view?usp=sharing

Vacancies:	2, beginning August 14.
Meetings:	5:00 PM on first Wednesday monthly at City Hall, 1st Floor Conference Room.
Agendas/Minutes:	https://www.ashevillenc.gov/department/city-clerk/boards-and-commissions/planning-and-zoning-commission/
Contact:	For information about the current agenda for the Planning and Zoning Commission please contact Shannon Tuch at 828-259-5817 For archived minutes and materials for the Planning and Zoning Commission please contact Marie Biddix at 828-259-5856.

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Board of Electrical Examiners (Asheville)

The board examines applicants for licenses and for the transaction of other related business.

The Board of Electrical Examiners consists of five members all appointed by City Council. In addition, the city's electrical inspector is an ex-officio member.

Vacancies:	One vacancy is for a journeyman electrician
Meetings:	This meeting takes place at 9:00 a.m., on the first Tuesday of the month for January, April, July, and October at Public Works Room A109 located at 161 South Charlotte Street. The normal length of the meeting is one to two hours.
Agendas/Minutes:	https://www.ashevillenc.gov/department/city-clerk/boards-and-commissions/board-of-electrical-examiners/
Contact:	Jim Hayes 828-778-0772 Gus Sims (Committee Chair) gus@simsengineers.com

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Citizens / Police Advisory Committee (Asheville)

The committee serves as a liaison between the police department and the community. The committee mediates problems or conflicts and serves as an advocate for programs, ideas, and methods to improve the relationship between the police and community. The committee is also responsible for disseminating information to the community and to the government officials of Asheville. As an advisory committee to City Council, CPAC's primary function is to make recommendations to the City Council and act as a source of citizen information.

The Citizens / Police Advisory Committee (CPAC) consists of 9 voting members: 5 area representatives, 2 at-large seats, a resident of property owned by the Housing Authority, and a Housing Authority representative.
No meetings have been held since March, 2020….Likely to resume in August, 2021.

Vacancies:	There are two openings; one to represent West and one to represent East
Meetings:	This meeting takes place at 5:00 p.m., on the first Wednesday of the month at Public Works, in room A109 located at 161 South Charlotte Street.
Agendas/Minutes:	https://www.ashevillenc.gov/department/city-clerk/boards-and-commissions/citizens-police-advisory-committee/
Contact:	Lindsay Regner 828-259-5813

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County Board of Adjustment (Buncombe)

This Board interprets zoning maps, hears and decides appeals from any order or decision of the Zoning Administrator; grants Conditional Use Permits and Planned Unit Development Permits; authorizes variances in requirments of the zoning, junkyard and off-premise sign ordinances

Vacancies:	3 eligible for reappointment in AUGUST, 2021 1 eligible for reappointment in NOVEMBER, 2021
Meetings:	12 - 2:00 PM on second Wednesday monthly at 30 Valley Street.

Agendas/Minutes:

Contact:

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Early Childhood Education and Development Committee (Buncombe)

Advancing the strategic priority to ensure that every child in Buncombe County has an equal opportunity to thrive during their first 2,000 days, including access to quality early childhood education. This fund was established on October 30, 2018 by the Board of Commissioners in their adoption of Resolution #18-10-16.

Application deadline is June 30, 2021.
Advancing the strategic priority to ensure that every child in Buncombe County has an equal opportunity to thrive during their first 2,000 days, including access to quality early childhood education. This fund was established on October 30, 2018 by the Board of Commissioners in their adoption of Resolution #18-10-16. Buncombe County requested proposals for community based projects to enhance outcomes for young children and their families in our community through early childhood care and education. The committee reviewed applications and made recommendations to the Board of Commissioners. $3,745,440 in grants were awarded for FY2021. The funding is divided among 21 different projects within 13 organizations.
The Committee shall consist of fifteen (15) members and shall be appointed by the Buncombe County Board of Commissioners upon application as follows:

- three (3) members of the Buncombe County Board of Commissioners;
- one (1) business community or economic development professional;
- one (1) funder or community investment professional;
- one (1) parent;
- one (1) pediatrician or medical professional in service to young children;
- one (1) professor or higher education professional; and
- one (1) retiree from the field of early childhood education.
- six (6) members of the public representing the community at large.

Vacancies: 1 vacancy (Parent); 1 vacancy (Community member/At large)

Meetings:

Agendas/Minutes: https://www.buncombecounty.org/governing/community-investment/grants/early-childhood-education-development-fund.aspx

Contact:

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Historic Resources Commission (Joint)

Administers the City and County programs of local historic districts and properties, reviews changes to buildings designated historic. Charged with preserving and protecting the cultural and architectural character of Asheville and Buncombe County. In addition to reviewing proposed projects affecting locally designated historic properties, the HRC is responsible for recommending local district and landmark designation to the City Council. The HRC also functions as an educational resource within the community, and strives to foster Asheville's unique sense of place through its preservation efforts. resource within the community, and strives to foster Asheville's unique sense of place through its preservation efforts. Members must Page 1 of 2have demonstrated special interest, experience or education in history, architecture, archaeology, architectural history, historic preservation, landscape architecture or related field.

The HRC was created in 1979 through a local ordinance adopted by both the City of Asheville and Buncombe County pursuant to the NC General Statutes. The joint City/County Commission consists of 12 members, with 6 appointments from each jurisdiction. All members have equal voting rights. Officers of the Commission are elected among themselves.

Certified Local Government Program

The HRC has also been approved as a Certified Local Government (CLG), which means that the North Carolina State Historic Preservation Office, with the concurrence of the National Park Service, has approved the HRC to carry out the purpose of the National Historic Preservation Act at the local government level.

Vacancies:	1 vacancy; Until filled. 1 eligible for reappointment in NOVEMBER, 2021
Meetings:	Monthly at 4:00PM on 2nd Wednesday at City Hall Bldg 1st floor North Conference Room
Agendas/Minutes:	https://www.ashevillenc.gov/department/city-clerk/boards-and-commissions/historic-resources-commission/
Contact:	Chair: Emily Kite emily.kite@novusarchitects.com 828-259-5638

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Home and Community Care Block Grant Advisory Committee (Buncombe)

The Home and Community Care Block Grant Advisory Committee makes grant recommendations to the Board of Commissioners regarding allocations of Home and Community Care Block Grant funding and County Aging Services funding. For additional information regarding Home and Community Care Block Grant please review the manual here: http://www.landofsky.org/pdf/Aging/HCCBG_Orientation_Manual_FY2020.pdf

Vacancies: 5 vacancies; until filled

5 more eligible for reappointment in OCTOBER, 2021

Meetings: 4th Wednesday monthly from 3:30 - 4:40 PM via ZOOM

Agendas/Minutes: https://www.buncombecounty.org/governing/community-investment/grants/aging-services-funding.aspx

Contact:

Homeless Initiative (Buncombe)

Vacancies: 2 eligible for reappointment in NOVEMBER, 2021

Meetings: Noon on 4th Tuesday monthly at Housing Authority 165 S. French Broad Ave

Agendas/Minutes:

Contact:

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Juvenile Crime Prevention Council (Buncombe)

Juvenile Crime Prevention Council board members are appointed by the county Board of Commissioners.
NC DPS Division of Juvenile Justice allocates approximately $23 million dollars to these councils annually—funding is used to subsidize local programs and services.

Vacancy requirements:
1 vacancy (youth member - person under 18, must be a member of the State Youth Council);
1 vacancy (member of faith community);
1 vacancy (United Way or other non-profit);
1 vacancy (Director Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities and Substance Abuse Services (MH/DD/SA), or designee).

Vacancies: There appear to be four vacancies available on the commission - JUNE, 2021
(see notes)

Meetings: Bi-monthly meetings are open to the public, and all business is considered public information.

Agendas/Minutes:

Contact:

Mountain Area Workforce Development Board (Buncombe)

To provide employers & job seekers a fully integrated system of employment, education and training services for the purpose of developing the economic strength and global competitiveness of this area.

Workfarce Development Board (WDB)
https://www.mountainareaworks.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/Mtn.Area_.WDB_.Membership.Listing.eff_.7-1-20-002.pdf (Board Members)
https://www.mountainareaworks.org/py21-22-plan/ (Program Year Plan)

Vacancies: 1 eligible for reappointment

JUNE, 2021

1 vacancy - not eligible for reappointment

SEPTEMBER, 2021

Meetings: 3:00 PM 4th Tuesday (excvept November) at Land-of-Sky Regional Council, 339 New Leicester Highway, Suite 140, Asheville. (828) 251-6622

Agendas/Minutes:

Contact:

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Mountain Community Capital Fund Operating Committee (Joint)

Sponsored by The City of Asheville, Buncombe County, Self-Help Ventures Fund ("Self-Help"), Carolina Small Business, and Mountain BizWorks, the Mountain Community Capital Fund (MCCF) is aimed at providing debt financing to small business enterprises within the city of Asheville and Buncombe County.

The Operating Committee shall be comprised of two (2) members of City staff to be appointed by the City of Asheville, two (2) members of County staff to be appointed by Buncombe County, two (2) community stakeholders to be appointed by the City of Asheville and two (2) community stakeholders to be appointed by Buncombe County, as well as representatives of Participating Lenders.

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Listen live by calling 855-925-2801 Enter Code 9789
Live telephone comments for agenda by calling 855-925-2801 Enter Code 9789
You can see your virtual meeting information at https://publicinput.com/U4153.

Vacancies:	1 vacancy (Buncombe Community Stakeholder); until filled
Meetings:	Typically meets monthly on the first Friday of the month. 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.
Agendas/Minutes:	https://www.ashevillenc.gov/department/city-clerk/boards-and-commissions/mountain-community-capital-fund-operating-committee/
Contact:	

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Multimodal Transportation Commission (Asheville)

The mission of the Multimodal Transportation Commission (MMTC) is to assist the City in furthering, advancing, and promoting a comprehensive and integrative transportation system that incorporates multimodal concepts, including but not limited to transit, bicycle, and pedestrian facilities, greenways, complete streets, and highways. Members shall possess expertise and interest in the sustainability and development of multimodal transportation and demonstrate willingness to participate actively. Duties of the commission include, but are not limited to: (1) recommend policies for the development/ integration of multimodal transportation planning and education to the City; (2) assist with the development of a multimodal transportation system; (3) assist the City with the implementation of best management practices for educating the public on the benefits of multimodal transportation; (4) assist in the sustainability, development and implementation of the multimodal transportation plan; and (5) assist in the prioritization of the Capital Improvement Plan as it relates to multimodal transportation projects.

To find out more about the sub-committees associated with these concepts visit the Greenway Committee, Transit Committee, and Bicycle/Pedestrian Task Force pages.

The Commission consists of 9 voting members and 3 non-voting members, all of whom shall be residents of the City of Asheville. Two voting members represent transit interests, two voting members represent greenway interests, two voting members represent bicycle/pedestrian interests, and three are at-large members. One representative each from the Neighborhood Advisory Committee, Planning and Zoning Commission, and Sustainability Advisory Committee on Energy and the Environment are ex-officio non-voting members.

Members shall represent various modes of transportation to include, but not be limited to transit, greenways, automobiles, bikes, pedestrians. Members shall possess expertise and interest in the sustainability and development of multimodal transportation and demonstrate a willingness to participate actively in Commission efforts.

The Commission will:

Recommend policies for the development/integration of multimodal transportation planning and education to the City
Assist with the development of a multimodal transportation system
Assist the City with the implementation of best management practices for educating the public on the benefits of multimodal transportation
Assist in the sustainability, development, and implementation of the multimodal transportation plan
Assist in the prioritization of the Capital Improvement Plan as it relates to multimodal transportation projects

Vacancies:	There are three current openings; two are to represent transit interests and one is to represent greenways interests. Please indicate specific interests on application.
Meetings:	4th Wednesday monthly from 2-5:00 PM. To Listen by phone: 855-925-2801 Meeting code: 9451; Info Email: mmtcJune23meeting@PublicInput.com
Agendas/Minutes:	https://www.ashevillenc.gov/department/city-clerk/boards-and-commissions/multimodal-transportation-commission/
Contact:	

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Neighborhood Advisory Committee (Asheville)

To advise the City Council on neighborhoods within the City of Asheville's zoning and planning jurisdiction. The Committee shall have the following powers and duties:
Develop rules and by-laws for the conduct of its business, including but not limited to meeting schedules, officers, voting, sub-committees;
Develop a plan to strengthen neighborhood identity and resilience, and to facilitate communication and cooperation between Asheville's neighborhoods and City offices;
Develop benchmarks and standards by which progress towards implementing the plan can be measured; and
Work on special projects that are consistent with the goals of the committee, as assigned or directed by the City Council

Vacancies:	One vacancy for a representative who resides in the 28803 or 28704 zip code; please indicate zip code on application.
Meetings:	The Committee meets on the fourth Monday of each month at 5:00 p.m. virtually unless otherwise noted. Check the agenda for current meeting details.
Agendas/Minutes:	https://www.ashevillenc.gov/department/city-clerk/boards-and-commissions/neighborhood-advisory-committee/
Contact:	Neighborhood Services: www.AshevilleNC.gov/neighborhoodservices Brenda Mills, Neighborhood and Community Engagement Manager Email: Neighborhoods@AshevilleNC.gov Phone: 828-259-5506 or 828-712-2324 Mobile/Text

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Nursing Home Community Advisory Committee (Buncombe)

Serves as liason between the Commissioners and local nursing homes with primary functions being to improve the quality of care to residents of homes.

Ongoing need. No application deadline.

Vacancies:	Ongoing need
Meetings:	First Thursday of the Second Quarter 4:30 PM @ Land of Sky Regional Council 339 New Leicester Highway Asheville 28806
Agendas/Minutes:	
Contact:	

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Strategic Partnership Grants Committee (Buncombe)

The purpose of the Committee is to make Strategic Partnership Grant investment recommendations to the Board of Commissioners for Buncombe County. Strategic Partnership Grant funding is granted to nonprofit organizations working toward outcomes in alignment with County Commissioner goals.

Vacancies:	3 eligible for reappointment JUNE, 2021
Meetings:	The meeting date is: First Thursday of every month; The meeting time is 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm; Meeting location is normally 200 College St – 1st floor conference room.
Agendas/Minutes:	https://www.buncombecounty.org/governing/community-investment/grants/strategic-partnership.aspx
Contact:	

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Tourism Development Authority (Buncombe)

To further the development of travel, tourism, and conventions in the county through state, national and international advertising and promotion. The Buncombe County Tourism Development Authority is a public authority created by state law and subject to North Carolina state statute. Its members also serve as directors of a non-profit entity that employs the staff of Explore Asheville. Members of the Authority administer the proceeds of the occupancy tax within the legislative mandate of the legislation that established the tax. The BCTDA's purpose is to further the development of travel, tourism, and conventions in the county through state, national and international advertising and promotion. The authority also administers the Tourism Product Development Fund.

4 members appointed by City Council (one person who is an owner or operator of a hotel, motel, bed and breakfast, or vacation rental management company, with 100 or less rental units, two people who are owners or operators of hotels, motels, bed and breakfasts, or vacation rental management companies, with more than 100 rental units, one person actively involved in tourist business who has participated in tourism promotion and who does not own or operate a hotel, motel or other taxable tourist accommodation);
4 members appointed by the Buncombe County Commissioners (one person who is an owner or operator of a hotel, motel, bed and breakfast, or vacation rental management company, with 100 or less rental units, two people who are owners or operators of hotels, motels, bed and breakfasts, or vacation rental management companies, with more than 100 rental units, one person actively involved in tourist business who has participated in tourism promotion and who does not own or operate a hotel, motel or other taxable tourist accommodation);
1 member appointed by the Chamber of Commerce;
1 member of City Council (who is an ex-official non-voting member); and
1 member of the Buncombe County Commissioners (who is an ex-official non-voting member).

Vacancies: There are two openings; both for lodging 101+ rooms

AUGUST, 2021

Meetings: The BCTDA meets monthly, usually on the fourth or last Wednesday, 9:00 a.m. - 10:35 a.m. at the Explore Asheville Convention & Visitors Bureau 27 College Place, Asheville
Meetings are open to the public, and agendas are posted 48 hours in advance.

Agendas/Minutes: https://www.ashevillecvb.com/board-meetings-documents/

Contact: Jonna Sampson
828-258-6111

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Transit Committee (Asheville)

An advisory board to the Multimodal Transportation Commission and to City staff on matters affecting the transit system and its operation.

Vacancies: 1?

Meetings: 3:30 - 5:30 on 3rd Tuesday monthly at first floor of City Hall in the North Conference Room.

Agendas/Minutes: https://www.ashevillenc.gov/department/city-clerk/boards-and-commissions/transit-committee/

Contact: Eunice Lovi (Transit Planning Manager)

Women's Commission (Buncombe)

To advise the Board of Commissioners on key issues relating to social and economic conditions of women in Buncombe County; educate the community regarding these issues; and advocate for policies that would improve the lives of women in Buncombe County, specifically: develop a biennial work plan which is responsive to current community needs and forward thinking on trending issues; identify and prioritize key focus areas; determine strategic approaches to address these areas; exercise leadership on their implementation (including, but not limited to, developing information systems, conducting research, hosting educational programming and convening community outreach); and provide regular updates to the Board of Commissioners.

Shall have no less than 11 and no more than 19 members. Follow them at www.facebook.com/buncombeCountyWomensCommission

Vacancies: There appear to be six vacancies available on the commission - JUNE, 2021

2 eligible for reappointment

SEPTEMBER, 2021

Meetings: 3rd Monday of each month at 4:00 PM

Agendas/Minutes:

Contact:
