

# City of GREENSBORO North Carolina

## **Boards & Commissions**

City Council Work Session May 14, 2015



## Five Different Types

- Autonomous Boards
  - ABC- 5 members
  - Greensboro Housing Authority- 7 members- all appointed by Mayor
  - Piedmont Triad Regional Airport Authority- 7 members- 1 Council appointment
  - Piedmont Triad Regional Water Authority- 10 members- 2 Council appointments
  - Greensboro/Guilford County Tourism Development Authority- 13 members- 5 Council appointments
- Quasi-judicial Boards
  - Greensboro Board of Adjustment- 7 members/2 alternates
  - Greensboro Minimum Housing Standards Commission- 7 members
  - Historic Preservation Commission- 9 members



## Five Different Types (continued)

- Administrative Boards
  - Firemen's Relief Fund Board- 6 members- 2 Council appointments
  - Firemen's Supplemental Retirement System Board- 5 members- 1
    Council appointment
  - John Motley Morehead Commission- 19 members- 3 Council appointments
- Legislative Boards
  - County Joint Historic Properties Commission- 11 members- 3 Council appointments
  - Planning Board- 9 members
  - Redevelopment Commission- 5 members
  - Zoning Commission- 9 members



## Five Different Types (continued)

- Policy Making & Advisory Boards
  - Commission on the Status of Women- 15 members
  - Human Relations Commission- 15 members
  - Board of Trustees of the Greensboro Public Library- 11 members- 9
    Council appointments
  - Parks & Recreation Commission- 9 members
  - Greensboro Transit Authority- 9 members
  - War Memorial Commission- 11 members- 2 non-voting



- City Code mandates that the term of all appointed members of boards and commissions be 3 years
- Members must not serve more than 2 full terms without an intervening 1 year period
- Included in the Land Development Ordinance
  - Planning Board, Zoning Commission, Board of Adjustment and Historic Preservation Commission
- State Law specifies term limits
  - Board of Adjustment
  - Historic Preservation Commission
- Appointment Process
  - Appointments are made at every Council meeting
  - Council places names into the databank
  - Once in databank- appointment can be made at next meeting



- Requested changes could focus on Policy Making & Advisory Boards
  - 9 required members
    - Each district has representative
    - 3 at-large representatives
    - Mayor appoints one representative
  - Current Boards & Commissions with more than 9 members
    - Mayor appoints remaining members
  - Term Limits
    - 2 Year Limits
    - 3 consecutive terms



- Additional Consideration
  - Implementation of Proposed Changes
    - Change term limits once current term expires
      - Allows current members to complete service
    - Staggered term limits
      - Limits risk of full vacancy
      - Limits loss of all knowledge at one time
- Council would need to formally adopt changes through resolution