



Lexington County Boards and Commissions Duties and Responsibilities

Many important civic responsibilities are exercised by members of boards and commissions. Depending on their legal functions and duties, boards and commissions may have policy, management, quasi-governmental, quasi-judicial or simply advisory authority. County government has varying relationships with a variety of boards and commissions. County Council appoints one or more of the members on the following boards and commissions that serve the county or region.

For current vacancies see Council Agenda under Boards and Commissions.

Board/Commission	Members	Terms	Term Limit	Types of Representation
Accommodations Tax Advisory Board	7	3-year	Three	In accordance with State law
Aiken-Barnwell-Lexington Community Action Program	1	6-year	No term Limit	In accordance with State law
Assessment Appeals Board	9	4-year	Three	Council Districts
Board of Zoning Appeals	9	4-year	Three	Council Districts
Building Codes Board of Appeals	9	4-year	Three	Specific areas as relating to the Building Industry
Capital Project Sales & Use Tax Commission	6	Until all projects are reviewed/approved for ballot	Not applicable	Three appointed by County Council; One appointed by Town of Lexington; Two appointed by the commission
Central Midlands Council of Governments (CMCOG)	11	3-year	Three	Six Elected; Five Citizens (Two Minority)
Central Midlands Development Corporation (CMDC)	3	3-year	No term limit	The CMDC recommends candidates for Council ratification
Central Midlands Regional Transit Authority (CMRTA)	1	2-year	Un-determined	Council Appointee
Health Services Board of Directors	21	3-year	Three	Two from each Council District; Two at-large; plus Chief of Staff
Joint Municipal Water/Sewer Commission	1 And 1 Alternate	Serves at pleasure of governing body	None	Council Members

Board/Commission	Members	Terms	Term Limit	Types of Representation
Lexington-Richland Alcohol and Drug Abuse Council (LRADAC)	6	3-year	Three	At-large/Joint Board
Library Board	9	4-year	Three	Council Districts
Midlands Authority for Conventions, Sports & Tourism	2	3-year	Three	One lodging industry; One at-large
Midlands Housing Alliance Transitions Board	1	3-year	Two	Specific interest – Homelessness Shelter Services
Midlands Workforce Development Board	8	3-year	Three	Specific areas to comply with Federal Regulations
Museum Commission	10	3-year	Three	Council Districts; Historical Society President
Planning Commission	9	4-year	Three	Council Districts
River Alliance	4	3-year	Two	Council Chairman or Designee; One appointed by Council & 2 at-large citizen appointees
Riverbanks Park Commission	3	6-year	Three	2 from Council & 1 Joint with Richland County
Stormwater Advisory Board	9	4-year	Three	Specific areas as related to Stormwater
Wrecker Rotation Disciplinary Board	2	3-year	Three	In accordance with Wrecker Rotation Disciplinary Policy

Boards/Commissions	Member Name	District/Industry
Accommodations Tax Advisory Board	Lancer Shull	2
Accommodations Tax Advisory Board	Jana Medlin	7
Accommodations Tax Advisory Board	Ms. Randi Sullivan W.	7
Accommodations Tax Advisory Board	Ryan Dukes	7
Accommodations Tax Advisory Board	Vacant	
Accommodations Tax Advisory Board	Dwight Byrd	8
Accommodations Tax Advisory Board	Kevin Reeley	8

Responsibilities: Make recommendations to Council on appropriation of Accommodations Tax Funds in accordance with state law

Boards/Commissions	Member Name	District/Industry
Aiken/Barnwell/Lexington Counties Community Action Commission, Inc.	Marie G. Rankin	At-large; County Resident

Responsibilities: Employ executive director; implement the human and financial resources of the area served in order to combat poverty

Boards/Commissions	Member Name Robert	District/Industry
Assessment Appeals Board	Joseph Burns	1
Assessment Appeals Board	Philip McKinney	2
Assessment Appeals Board	L. Wayne Arnold	3
Assessment Appeals Board	Samuel "Ray" Stoudemire	4
Assessment Appeals Board	Sabrina Rogers	5
Assessment Appeals Board	Beth Dorn Lindardt	6
Assessment Appeals Board	Theodore B. Hayne, IV	7
Assessment Appeals Board	Joel Merrill	8
Assessment Appeals Board	Vacant	9

Responsibilities: Hear and rule on appeals dealing with the assessment of property in accordance with state law

Note: Since the Assessment Appeals Board is a quasi-judicial body, persons with an interest in matters going before the Board should technically not contact them on an individual basis in order to influence their vote on the matter. This would be akin to someone with a case before a magistrate or circuit court judge contacting them in an attempt to influence their ruling prior to the trial. This was taught during the annual training sessions as required by State Code. The proper opportunity for person to speak to the Board is at the public hearing where the Board as a whole can be addressed.

Boards/Commissions	Member Name	District/Industry
Board of Zoning Appeals	Dr. Sarah B. Wise	1
Board of Zoning Appeals	Andy Bedenbaugh	2
Board of Zoning Appeals	James D. Spangler	3
Board of Zoning Appeals	John A. Huffman	4
Board of Zoning Appeals	Tracy Mitchell	5
Board of Zoning Appeals	Keith Moore	6
Board of Zoning Appeals	Edward G. Yates	7
Board of Zoning Appeals	Marcus Link	8
Board of Zoning Appeals	Carl Sherwood	9

Responsibilities: Hear appeals and requests for variances from the Zoning Ordinance

Note: Since the Board of Zoning Appeals is a quasi-judicial body, persons with an interest in matters going before the Board should technically not contact them on an individual basis in order to influence their vote on the matter. This would be akin to someone with a case before a magistrate or circuit court judge contacting them in an attempt to influence their ruling prior to the trial. This was taught during the annual training sessions as required by State Code. The proper opportunity for person to speak to the Board is at the public hearing where the Board as a whole can be addressed.

Boards/Commissions	Member Name	District/Industry
Building Codes Board of Appeals	Steve Martin	Building
Building Codes Board of Appeals	Michael C. Shealy	Electrical
Building Codes Board of Appeals	Kenneth W. Timmerman	Engineering
Building Codes Board of Appeals	Joel Carter	Architect
Building Codes Board of Appeals	Lawrence J. Markley	Contractor
Building Codes Board of Appeals	Billy Derrick	Plumbing
Building Codes Board of Appeals	Gene Bishop	Gas/Mechanical
Building Codes Board of Appeals	Ernie Magaro, Jr.	Building Industry
Building Codes Board of Appeals	Richard C. Key	At-Large

Responsibilities: Hear and rule on appeals to Building Code

Note: Since the Building Code Board of Appeals is a quasi-judicial body, persons with an interest in matters going before the Board should technically not contact them on an individual basis in order to influence their vote on the matter. This would be akin to someone with a case before a magistrate or circuit court judge contacting them in an attempt to influence their ruling prior to the trial. This was taught during the annual training sessions as required by State Code. The proper opportunity for person to speak to the Board is at the public hearing where the Board as a whole can be addressed.

Boards/Commissions	Member Name	District/Industry
Capital Project Sales And Use Tax Commission	James Knox Ewart	
Capital Project Sales And Use Tax Commission	Charlie Harvey Speight	
Capital Project Sales And Use Tax Commission	Robert Michael Taylor	
Capital Project Sales And Use Tax Commission	Sammy Hendrix	
Capital Project Sales And Use Tax Commission	Vacant	
Capital Project Sales And Use Tax Commission	Vacant	

Responsibilities: The Commission to evaluate/research \$35 million per year generated by the one penny sales tax times seven years and how it could be utilized; prioritize projects; get the list out on the ballot for the voters/citizens to make the decisions; involving the County, the 14 municipalities and all the chambers.

Boards/Commissions	Member Name	District/Industry
Central Midlands COATS Technical Committee	Holland Leger	Planning & GIS
Central Midlands COATS Technical Committee	Wrenn Barrett	Public Works

Boards/Commissions	Member Name	District/Industry
Central Midlands Council of Governments	Erin Long Bergeson	Council
Central Midlands Council of Governments	Larry Brigham	Council
Central Midlands Council of Governments	Phil Yarborough	Council
Central Midlands Council of Governments	Debbie Summers	Council
Central Midlands Council of Governments	Todd Cullum	Council
Central Midlands Council of Governments	Joe Mergo	Administrator
Central Midlands Council of Governments	George "Smokey" Davis	Citizen Appointee
Central Midlands Council of Governments	Charles M. Simpkins	Citizen Appointee
Central Midlands Council of Governments	John W. Carrigg, Jr. Earl	Citizen Appointee
Central Midlands Council of Governments	E. McLeod, Jr.	Citizen Appointee
Central Midlands Council of Governments	Melissa Dawn Atkins	Citizen Appointee

Responsibilities: Employ executive director; serve as a regional planning and coordination agency for its members; promote cooperation among and to provide the highest quality of services to the member governments on issues transcending city and county boundaries in the areas of water quality, transportation, economic and community development, planning, public administration and human services for the citizens of the region

Boards/Commissions	Member Name	District/Industry
Central Midlands Regional Transit Authority	Lill Mood	At-Large; County Resident

Responsibilities: Promote transportation opportunities in the Central Midlands region; provide transportation services and encourage the cooperation and coordination of existing transportation providers

Boards/Commissions	Member Name	District/Industry
Health Services District Board of Directors	Jason A. Liester	1
Health Services District Board of Directors	William G. Shockley	1
Health Services District Board of Directors	C.P. Dunbar, MD	2
Health Services District Board of Directors	JR Caughman	2
Health Services District Board of Directors	Paul Clifton, Jr.	3
Health Services District Board of Directors	Ann K. Lang	3
Health Services District Board of Directors	Donald H. Burkett	4
Health Services District Board of Directors	Jennifer Nettles	4
Health Services District Board of Directors	Joel A. Tyson	5
Health Services District Board of Directors	Carol R. Metts	5
Health Services District Board of Directors	Dan E. Jones	6
Health Services District Board of Directors	George Herbert Holland	6
Health Services District Board of Directors	Richard N. Westbrook	7
Health Services District Board of Directors	Ryan C. Holt	7
Health Services District Board of Directors	Billy R. Oswald	8
Health Services District Board of Directors	Rev. Charles B. Jackson, Sr.	8
Health Services District Board of Directors	Janice Burt	9
Health Services District Board of Directors	G. Tripp Jones, MD	9
Health Services District Board of Directors	Charles W. Harmon	At-Large
Health Services District Board of Directors	James Bruce Burnett, Jr.	At-Large
Health Services District Board of Directors	David H. Lamb	Ex-Officio - Chief of Staff

Responsibilities: Hire Administrator; establish policy for operation of hospital and ancillary services

Boards/Commissions	Member Name	District/Industry
Joint Municipal Water and Sewer Commission	Bobby C. Keisler	Council
Joint Municipal Water and Sewer Commission	M. Todd Cullum	Council - Alternative

Purpose: Plan, finance, locate, construct and operate facilities for the production, transmission, storage and distribution of potable water and collect, transmit and treat wastewater in the county

Boards/Commissions	Member Name	District/Industry
Lexington/Richland Alcohol and Drug Abuse Council	Andrienne D. Huffman	At-large; County Resident
Lexington/Richland Alcohol and Drug Abuse Council	Don Richards	At-large; County Resident
Lexington/Richland Alcohol and Drug Abuse Council	William L. Rawl	At-large; County Resident
Lexington/Richland Alcohol and Drug Abuse Council	Larry Stroud	At-large; County Resident
Lexington/Richland Alcohol and Drug Abuse Council	Chip Johnson	At-large; County Resident
Lexington/Richland Alcohol and Drug Abuse Council	Jennifer Anne Wilson	At-large; County Resident

Purpose: Employ Executive Director; establish policy for the agency in the education, treatment and prevention of alcohol and drug abuse

Boards/Commissions	Member Name	District/Industry
Library Board	D. Joanne Clark	1
Library Board	Louise J. Riley	2
Library Board	Christopher Taylor	3
Library Board	Mary N. Kerr	4
Library Board	Kathryn Spires	5
Library Board	Vacant	6
Library Board	David Fellows	7
Library Board	Sandra Harley	8
Library Board	Stephanie B. Sturkie	9

Purpose: Employ Director; establish policy for county library services

Boards/Commissions	Member Name	District/Industry
Midlands Authority for Conventions, Sports and Tourism	Jana Medlin	Hotel Industry
Midlands Authority for Conventions, Sports and Tourism	Samuel H. Hendrix	At-Large

Purpose: To oversee development of a regional convention center and to operate the center under a long term management agreement for the benefit of the governmental entities

Boards/Commissions	Member Name	District/Industry
Midlands Housing Alliance Transitions Boards	William Lee Bussell	At-large; County resident

Purpose: Employ Executive Director and oversee management of shelter facility and services to the homeless

Boards/Commissions	Member Name	District/Industry
Midlands Workforce Development Board	Brian Strickland	Not Less Than 20%
Midlands Workforce Development Board	Richelynn Douglas	Not Less Than 20%
Midlands Workforce Development Board	Allen Wise	
Midlands Workforce Development Board	Bonnie Austin	Private Sector
Midlands Workforce Development Board	Donna W. Lax	Private Sector
Midlands Workforce Development Board	William E. Cogdill	Private Sector
Midlands Workforce Development Board	Darline Graham	Government Sector
Midlands Workforce Development Board	Smokey Davis	Private Sector

Purpose: To carry out the intent and purposes of PL 105-220 Workforce Investment Act of 1998 (WIA) (For more detail see Article II - Purpose and Function of the Bylaws)

Boards/Commissions	Member Name	District/Industry
Museum Commission	SaBrina Jeffcoat	1
Museum Commission	William E. Kiesling, Jr.	2
Museum Commission	Edie Harmon	3
Museum Commission	James H. Riddle, Jr.	4
Museum Commission	Joyce Mize	5
Museum Commission	Rhett Inabinet	6
Museum Commission	Catherine G. Stutts	7
Museum Commission	Vacant	8
Museum Commission	Mary Parker Sharpe	9

Responsibilities: To preserve and collect historical items for the county, the general area, and its people

Boards/Commissions	Member Name	District/Industry
Planning Commission	Megan B. Hutto	1
Planning Commission	Michael N. Shealy	2
Planning Commission	Andrew D. White	3
Planning Commission	Keith Myhand Robert	4
Planning Commission	L. Spires, Sr.	5
Planning Commission	Pat Dunbar	6
Planning Commission	Bryan W. Clifton	7
Planning Commission	Robert Lee Matthews	8
Planning Commission	Wally Price	9

Responsibilities: Prepare and/or revise a comprehensive plan and program for the development of the county

Note: Since the Planning Commission is a quasi-judicial body, persons with an interest in matters going before the Commission should technically not contact them on an individual basis in order to influence their vote on the matter. This would be akin to someone with a case before a magistrate or circuit court judge contacting them in an attempt to influence their ruling prior to the trial. This was taught during the annual training sessions as required by State Code. The proper opportunity for person to speak to the Commission is at the public hearing where the Commission as a whole can be addressed.

Boards/Commissions	Member Name	District/Industry
River Alliance	Debra B. Summers	Council
River Alliance	M. Todd Cullum	Council
River Alliance	Vaughn Robison Dozier	Citizen Appointee
River Alliance	Christopher Kueny	Economic Development Appt

Purpose: To maximize the benefits derived from the assets of the Broad, Congaree and Sauta Rivers for the citizens of the Central Midlands Metropolitan area of South Carolina

Boards/Commissions	Member Name	District/Industry
Riverbanks Park Commission	Jan Stamps	
Riverbanks Park Commission	Mary T. Howard	
Riverbanks Park Commission	Bud M. Tibshrary	At-Large/Joint w/ City of Columbia

Responsibilities: Employ executive director; plan, establish, equip, staff, operate, regulate and protect public recreation and zoo facilities within Richland and Lexington counties

Boards/Commissions	Member Name	District/Industry
Stormwater Advisory Board	Robert T. Blackwell, P.E.	Engineer
Stormwater Advisory Board	Nick Leventis	Developer
Stormwater Advisory Board	Walter L. Tripp Hunter, III	Contractor
Stormwater Advisory Board	Rebecca Ann Connelly	Environmental Steward
Stormwater Advisory Board	Debbie Dickinson	Environmental Steward
Stormwater Advisory Board	John Collum	Environmental Consultant
Stormwater Advisory Board	Jim Lewis	Environmental Consultant
Stormwater Advisory Board	Pearce L. Atkins, P.E.	Stormwater Professional
Stormwater Advisory Board	Frank W. Hahne, P.E.	Stormwater Professional

Responsibilities: Hear and make recommendations to the Director of Public Works to matters relating to Stormwater appeals

Boards/Commissions	Member Name	District/Industry
Wrecker Rotation Disciplinary Board	Steven A. Smith	At large; County resident
Wrecker Rotation Disciplinary Board	Richard Allen Adams	At large; County resident

Responsibilities: Enforcement of the Wrecker Rotation Disciplinary Policy and hear grievances



BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

ACCOMMODATIONS TAX ADVISORY BOARD

Responsibilities: Make recommendations to Council on appropriation of Accommodations Tax Funds in accordance with state law

AIKEN/BARNWELL/LEXINGTON COMMUNITY ACTION COMMISSION

Responsibilities: Employ executive director; implement the human and financial resources of the area served in order to combat poverty

ASSESSMENT APPEALS BOARD

Responsibilities: Hear and rule on appeals dealing with the assessment of property in accordance with state law

BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS

Responsibilities: Hear appeals and requests for variances from the Zoning Ordinance

BUILDING CODES BOARD OF APPEALS

Responsibilities: Hear and rule on appeals to Building Code

CAPITAL PROJECTS AND SALES-USE TAX COMMISSION

Responsibilities: The Commission to evaluate/research \$35 million per year generated by the one penny sales tax times seven years and how it could be utilized; prioritize projects; get the list out on the ballot for the voters/citizens to make the decisions; involving the County, the 14 municipalities and all the chambers.

CENTRAL MIDLANDS COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

Responsibilities: Employ executive director; serve as a regional planning and coordination agency for its members; promote cooperation among and to provide the highest quality of services to the member governments on issues transcending city and county boundaries in the areas of water quality, transportation, economic and community development, planning, public administration and human services for the citizens of the region.

CENTRAL MIDLANDS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Responsibilities: CMDC was established as a SC corporation on May 17, 1982 “to further economic development and social welfare of the Central Midlands by fostering increased employment opportunities for the citizens of the area.” Board of Directors shall on behalf of the CMDC have all the power and authority granted by SC Law, including all powers necessary or appropriate to the management of the business and affairs of CMDC.

CENTRAL MIDLANDS REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY

Responsibilities: Promote transportation opportunities in the Central Midlands region; provide transportation services and encourage the cooperation and coordination of existing transportation providers

HEALTH SERVICES DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Responsibilities: Hire Administrator; establish policy for operation of hospital and ancillary services

JOINT MUNICIPAL WATER AND SEWER COMMISSION

Purpose: Plan, finance, locate, construct and operate facilities for the production, transmission, storage and distribution of potable water and collect, transmit and treat wastewater in the county

LEXINGTON/RICHLAND ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE COUNCIL

Purpose: Employ Executive Director; establish policy for the agency in the education, treatment and prevention of alcohol and drug abuse

LIBRARY BOARD

Purpose: Employ Director; establish policy for county library services

MIDLANDS AUTHORITY FOR CONVENTIONS, SPORTS AND TOURISM

Purpose: To oversee development of a regional convention center and to operate the center under a long term management agreement for the benefit of the governmental entities

MIDLANDS HOUSING ALLIANCE TRANSITIONS BOARD

Purpose: Employ Executive Director and oversee management of shelter facility and services to the homeless

MIDLANDS WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD

Purpose: To carry out the intent and purposes of PL 105-220 Workforce Investment Act of 1998 (WIA) (For more detail see Article II - Purpose and Function of the Bylaws)

MUSEUM COMMISSION

Responsibilities: To preserve and collect historical items for the county, the general area, and its people

PLANNING COMMISSION

Responsibilities: Prepare and/or revise a comprehensive plan and program for the development of the county

RIVER ALLIANCE

Purpose: To maximize the benefits derived from the assets of the Broad, Congaree and Saluda Rivers for the citizens of the Central Midlands Metropolitan area of South Carolina

RIVERBANKS PARK COMMISSION

Responsibilities: Employ executive director; plan, establish, equip, staff, operate, regulate and protect public recreation and zoo facilities within Richland and Lexington counties

STORMWATER ADVISORY BOARD

Responsibilities: Hear and make recommendations to the Director of Public Works to matters relating to Stormwater appeals

WRECKER ROTATION DISCIPLINARY BOARD

Responsibilities: Enforcement of the Wrecker Rotation Disciplinary Policy and hear grievances