CITIZEN'S GUIDE



TO TULSA CITY GOVERNMENT 2020 - 2022

For nearly 80 years, Tulsa was governed by a board of commissioners which included a mayor and four commissioners. In 1989, Tulsans voted to change to a mayor-council form of government in an effort to create a more effective city government. Tulsa's elected officials are nine city councilors, the mayor and the city auditor.

CITY COUNCIL

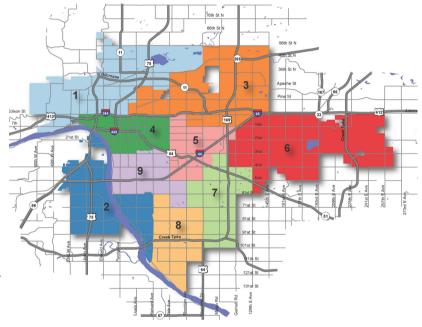
The legislative functions of Tulsa government are performed by the City Council. Councilors approve the city's annual budget, pass local ordinances, set policy, listen to concerns of citizens and evaluate the

overall effectiveness of city operations.

The City Council meets at 5 p.m. on Wednesdays, excluding holiday weeks, in the City Council Chamber located on the second floor of One Technology Center in downtown Tulsa. The public is invited and encouraged to attend the Wednesday regular meetings.

Councilors have offices on the fourth floor of One Technology Center, and they are assisted in their duties by Council staff and by various citizens' committees. Office hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

The Tulsa City Council is your voice in city government.





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MAYOR

The mayor serves as chief administrator and manages the day-to-day operations of the city. Other responsibilities of the mayor include: managing all administrative departments, submitting an annual budget to the City Council and appointing citizens to authorities, boards and commissions



CATHY CARTER

AUDITOR

The city auditor serves as an independent eye on city operations and resources. The auditor regularly reviews the city's financial activities, using these findings to make recommendations to the mayor and the City Council on how to become more financially efficient.

AUTHORITIES, BOARDS & COMMISSIONS

While the City Council, mayor and city auditor make up the three branches of Tulsa's city government, groups of citizens also serve to provide elected leaders with information and recommendations to help them make better decisions. These groups of citizens are known as authorities, boards and commissions. The advice provided by these groups helps create city policies and programs.

The City of Tulsa currently has dozens of citizen groups covering a variety of topics and interests. Citizens are welcome to apply to serve on any authority, board or commission. For more information, visit cityoftulsa.org

5:00 p.m.

CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

Regular Council and Council Committee meetings are held on Wednesdays.

City Council Chamber - 2nd Floor, City Hall Committee Meeting Room - 4th Floor, Room 411, City Hall

• Urban & Economic Development Committee 10:30 a.m.

• Budget & Special Projects Committee 1:00 p.m.

• Public Works Committee 2:30 p.m.

• Regular Council meeting

Tulsa City Hall at One Technology Center 175 East Second Street Tulsa, OK 74103

CITY DIRECTORY

City of Tulsa Customer Care Center **311** For all inquiries

<u>Public Safety:</u> Emergency: Police/Fire/Ambulance

Police Department
(Non-Emergencies)

Crime Stoppers Tip Line

918-596-9222

918-596-2677

Crime Prevention Network

(Alert Neighbors) **918-585-5209**

Your Elected Officials:

 City Council Office
 918-596-1990

 Mayor's Office
 918-596-7411

 City Auditor's Office
 918-596-7511

<u>Utilities:</u>

 Utilities Customer Service
 918-596-9511

 Sewer Problems
 918-586-6999

 Water Line Problems
 918-596-9488

 Refuse & Bulky Waste
 918-596-9777

Planning & Development:

Building Permits 918-596-9456
Zoning Change Requests 918-584-7526

Other Resources:

Animal Shelter 918-596-8000 Tulsa Transit (bus service) 918-582-2100

TGOV - TULSA GOVERNMENT ACCESS TELEVISION

TGOV broadcasts live meetings of the City Council and City Council Committees. TGOV also covers meetings of select authorities, boards and commissions.

Citizens can watch TGOV on cable television and online via live streaming and on-demand services.

Cox Digital Cable: channel 24 Website: tgovonline.org

MORE INFORMATION

Visit tulsacouncil.org for meeting days and locations, agendas and backup documents, access to online publications of the City Council, special announcements, details of ongoing projects and links to other City of Tulsa websites.



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