

Affordable Housing Committee

The Affordable Housing Advisory Committee is tasked with the responsibility of advising the City Commission on matters related to affordable housing and the administration of state housing assistance programs such as the State Housing Initiative Partnership (SHIP) program.

Architectural Review Committee

The Architectural Review Committee is responsible for reviewing development plans and making recommendations regarding aesthetic concerns.

Board of Adjustment

The Board of Adjustment is a quasi-judicial board. It grants variances from the terms of the Land Development Code relating to setback, distance requirements between buildings or other substantially similar dimensional regulations as will not be contrary to the public interest, where owing to special conditions, a literal enforcement of the provision of the Land Development Code will result in unnecessary hardship.

Charter School Advisory Board

The Charter School Advisory Board advises the City Commission, City administration and various City departments on matters concerning the Coral Springs Charter School. The Board is comprised of three parent representatives, two business community representatives, one education/administration representative, and a representative of the Coral Springs City Commission. Additionally, there are three alternate parent representatives who may be called upon to attend meetings in the event of absences by one or more parent representatives. The City Manager of the City of Coral Springs and the Principal of the Coral Springs Charter School serve as ex-officio Board members.

Community Chest

This committee of volunteers organizes fundraising events to provide funding to non-profit organizations that have a presence or program serving Coral Springs residents. Among the non-profit organizations funded include Alzheimer's Association, Family Central, Outreach Broward, and Women in Distress, to name a few.

Community Garden

New garden members are welcome and can request information from dave.johnson@minutemanpress.com.

Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA)

The Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) is a separate legal entity, created under state laws to coordinate activities and implement the redevelopment plan for Downtown Coral Springs. Downtown Coral Springs is approximately 140 acres in the vicinity of the intersection of Sample Road and University Drive. The CRA's vision is to interdict decline and to facilitate the adaptive and productive reinvention of land uses resulting in a vibrant urban center with pedestrian-friendly mixed-use developments and public amenities through public and private partnerships.

Construction Review Committee

The mission of the committee is to assist the City in designing and building construction projects that meet the customers' needs and are completed on schedule and within budget. The committee provides advice on the entire construction design and procurement process, reviews designs, and participates in interviews of design professionals and bidders.

Coral Springs Emergency Response Team (CERT)

The Coral Springs Emergency Response Team (CERT) program helps train people to be better prepared to respond to emergency situations in their communities. When emergencies happen, CERT members can give critical support to first responders, provide immediate assistance to victims and organize spontaneous volunteers at a disaster site. CERT members can also help with non-emergency projects that help improve the safety of the community. Coral Springs CERT is a group of volunteers who are trained by the Coral Springs Fire Department in First Aid and CPR Triage. The application and additional information for this committee is located at <http://www.coralsprings.org/Fire/CERT.cfm>.

Coral Springs Historical Advisory Committee

The principal mission of the City of Coral Springs Historical Advisory Committee is to actively collect, preserve and showcase memorabilia relating to all aspects of the City's history. Furthermore, the City of Coral Springs Historical Advisory Committee shall work in unison with City staff to foster a sense of community spirit and to encourage citizen involvement and pride in the City's heritage.

Coral Springs Museum of Art (CSMART) Board of Directors

A group of men and women from Broward County who support the arts. Their primary goal is governance and raising funds to keep the Museum financially sound. They are active in the community and seek sponsorship and partnerships for the Museum.

Customer Involved Government Committee

The Customer Involved Government Committee identifies ways for City residents and the business community to become more involved in, and be better informed about, City activities and issues.

Economic Development Foundation

The Coral Springs Economic Development Foundation, Inc. (EDF) is a full service, non-profit corporation, organized under the laws of the State of Florida, providing an array of economic development and financial assistance to corporations interested in relocating or expanding in Coral Springs.

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EMS Committee

The EMS Committee meets on the second Thursday of each month at the Broward Medical Examiner's Office at 9:00 a.m., with the exception of the December meeting which is located in the host city for that particular year. The Committee is made up of EMS Chiefs from each fire department in Broward County. In addition, the Committee meetings are attended by EMS medical directors, EMS support staff, representatives of the hospitals, health department, trauma services, and critical incident stress management (CISM), as well as vendors of EMS equipment. A report is given by representatives of the key areas that effect EMS in order to keep all the EMS Chiefs current on issues that affect the delivery of EMS in Broward County. This committee makes recommendations to the Fire Chiefs Association of Broward County, Inc. on EMS issues that require their attention. The EMS Committee has been the driving force behind the cutting edge pre-hospital care that is delivered by fire rescue systems throughout Broward County.

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Energy & Environmental Quality Legislative Policy Committee

The Energy & Environmental Quality Legislative Policy Committee is a Florida League of Cities committee that deals with current legislative issues.

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Financial Advisory Committee

The committee's mission is to develop new revenue sources and alternatives to ensure the City's financial health. The objectives are to research and review all potential revenues permitted by legislature and its applicability in the City; to promulgate charges for services consumed by individuals or groups and not the community at large; and to ensure that new revenue for City services are provided to non-residents. The committee reviews and comments on other financial matters of City business. Examples are: internal and external audit work plan and financial report review, insuring procurement and financial policy.

Firefighters' Pension Board

The City of Coral Springs Firefighters Pension Plan (“The Plan”) was established in 2003 in order to provide a defined benefit pension plan for firefighters. The duties of the Board include interpretation of the Plan, approval of benefits and payments from the Plan, directions of Plan investments, review of actuarial and investment reports relating to the Plan and recommending Plan changes to the City Commission.

Friends of the Museum

This small but powerful group are the Community Awareness supporters of the Museum. They support the many community events in which the Museum participates; Our Town, Coral Springs Festival of the Arts, Chalk It Up for Art, Saturday Chautauquas and exhibition openings. Each April they organize The Great Art Affair, the major fund raising event for the Museum.

General Employee Pension Board

The City of Coral Springs General Employees Pension Plan (“The Plan”) was established in 1973 in order to provide a defined benefit pension plan for City employees. Although still in place, the Plan closed to new entrants in 1987. The duties of the Board include interpretation of the Plan, direction of Plan investments, review of actuarial and investment reports relating to the Plan and recommending Plan changes to the City Commission.

Holiday Parade Committee

This committee is comprised of volunteers and City employees who plan and implement the City's Annual Holiday Parade. It is a City sponsored event.

Martin Luther King Jr. Committee

This committee is comprised of volunteers who have been assigned the major task of organizing and coordinating an annual celebration in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. This is a City sponsored event, which may extend to other community programs of a multi-cultural nature observed at different times throughout the year.

Metropolitan Planning Organization

The Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) is a transportation policy-making board comprised of 19 voting members including representatives from the South Florida Regional Transportation Authority (SFRTA), the Broward County School Board, and three Broward County Commissioners. It is responsible for the county's Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP), the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), and the Transit Development Plan (TDP). The MPO's vision is to transform transportation in Broward County to achieve optimum mobility with emphasis on mass transit while promoting economic vitality, protecting the environment and enhancing quality of life. The mission of the Broward MPO is to influence the expenditure of federal and state funds to provide a regional transportation system that ensures the safe and efficient mobility of people and goods, optimizes transit opportunities and enhances our community's environmental and economic well-being.

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Multi-Cultural Advisory Committee

The purpose of this committee is to recognize and develop responses to the growing diversity of the City's population and to promote appreciation, acceptance and respect for cultural differences and similarities. The objectives are to identify the cultural mix of Coral Springs; increase awareness in the community of the common elements of all cultures; facilitate full participation in the community of all cultural groups by expanding their access to special events and services and communicate standards of behavior that will demonstrate that cultural diversity is welcomed, encouraged and supported in Coral Springs.

Neighborhood and Environmental Committee

The stated mission of the Neighborhood and Environmental Committee is to address issues and promote projects that will favorably impact development, preservation and environmental enhancement in the City of Coral Springs.

Nuisance Abatement Board

The Nuisance Abatement Board is an administrative board authorized to hear complaints and render decisions regarding the abatement of nuisances as authorized in Section 893.138 of Florida State Statutes. Nuisance properties are any place or premise that has had occasions of controlled substance violations, criminal gang activity, dealing in stolen property, or prostitution. If the Board finds and declares a property to be a public nuisance, an order may be entered to require the owner to adopt procedures to abate the nuisance. An order can also prohibit the maintaining, operating, and conduct of business at the nuisance property, as well as impose fines.

Parent Education Advisory Committee

The purpose of this committee is to provide a vehicle of communication and education between the schools, community, and the City. The Committee is one of the two local education advisory committees. Issues discussed include: safety/traffic issues and programs, student achievement recognition, local government education activities, and all City programs that affect children, their parents and schools.

Planning & Zoning Board

This board is designated as the Local Planning Agency and acts in an advisory capacity to the City Commission. The P&Z Board conducts investigations and holds public hearings upon all proposals to change land use and land development regulations, as well as variances and exceptions to the Land Development Code relating to signage and other matters. The board makes recommendations to the Commission regarding the adoption and amendments to the Comprehensive Plan. The board also carries on a continual study of zoning, zoning techniques, and any pertinent parts of any City plan for the orderly growth of the City.

Police Officers' Pension Board

The City of Coral Springs Police Officers' Pension Plan ("The Plan") was established in 1979 in order to provide a defined benefit pension plan for police officers. The duties of the Board include interpretation of the Plan, approval of benefits and payments from the Plan, directions of Plan investments, review of actuarial and investment reports relating to the Plan and recommending Plan changes to the City Commission.

Principal Education Committee

The purpose of this committee is to foster relationships and provide a vehicle of communication and education between schools, community, and the City. The Principal Education Committee is one of two local education advisory committees. Issues discussed include: safety/traffic issues and programs, student achievement recognition, local government education activities, and all City programs that affect children, their parents and schools.

Public Art Committee

Appointed by the City Commission, the Public Art Committee (PAC) is an official civic body with 7 members, two alternates and one advisory high school student. Each member has a term of three years (please refer to the Public Art Program Chapter 6 from the City's Land Development Code). The responsibilities of the Committee include: prepare the program guidelines; prepare the public art plans; selection of all public artworks for the City of Coral Springs; and review and approve all public artworks on private properties. The PAC meets the 3rd Monday of each month at 4:00 p.m. at City Hall South Building (9530 West Sample Road). The Community Development Division provides the staff assistance to the Committee.

Public Relations Advisory Committee

The objective of the Public Relations Advisory Committee is to assist with communication strategies and marketing efforts geared toward economic development as well as promoting City programs, events, educational campaigns, volunteer opportunities, and other initiatives adopted as part of the City's current-year business plan. The Committee shall be comprised of advertising, public relations and/or marketing professionals who will serve as a brain trust for City staff as well as ambassadors who help promote the City both within and beyond the community.

Resource Recovery Board

The Resource Recovery Board (RRB) is a governing body of elected officials for the Broward Solid Waste Disposal District. An Interlocal Agreement (ILA), comprised of 26 cities, created the District in 1987. The current expiration of the ILA is July 2013. The purpose of the RRB is to establish tipping or dump fees, advise the County concerning construction contracts and service agreements, adopt the plan of operations and provide oversight of the Resource Recovery System. The Resource Recovery System consists of the two waste to energy plants and the Southwest County landfill. The RRB consists of nine members. There is one appointment from the Broward County Commission, city representatives from the three largest cities (Fort Lauderdale, Hollywood, Coral Springs) and three medium cities (Davie, Margate, and Coconut Creek), and two appointments by the Broward League of Cities.

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Senior Advisory Committee

The purpose of this Committee is to offer suggestions/ideas and develop programs for senior activities, to serve as a sounding board for senior concerns, and to develop awareness of senior issues. Meetings will be held in the afternoon, once a month on a regular basis. This is a volunteer committee that serves without compensation.

Sports Commission

The purpose of this commission is to identify, attract and retain quality sporting events that will have a substantial positive economic impact on the community.

Unsafe Structures Board

Unsafe Structures Board is a quasi-judicial arm for the code enforcement process and hears cases pertaining to violations of the City Minimum Housing Code and the South Florida Building Code. A majority of the violations heard by the Board are structurally related to life safety concerns.

Youth & Family Committee

The Youth and Family Committee advises on how the City can sponsor constructive fun activities that bring families together. The Committee also develops programming that helps develop youth leadership and civic spirit.