

COMMON COUNCIL COMMITTEES 2011

Standing and ad hoc committees meet as needed to discuss legislation before the council and to review governmental policies and procedures. You can find out the time and location of meetings by contacting the Common Council office at 434-5087 or on the city website at www.albanyny.gov

Committees are appointed biennially. The first named person in the appointment is the Chair, the second named person is the Vice-Chair.

Council Operations and Ethics

Chair: Conti, Vice Chair: Igoe
Members: Commisso, Herring, Smith

Law, Buildings and Code Enforcement

Chair: Igoe, Vice Chair: O'Brien
Members: Conti, Jenkins-Cox, Rosenzweig,

Finance, Taxation and Assessment

Chair: Sano, Vice Chair: Herring
Members: Calsolaro, Commisso, Freeman

Public Safety

Chair: Smith, Vice Chair: Golby
Members: Igoe, Konev, O'Brien

Planning, Economic Development and Land Use

Chair: Herring, Vice Chair: Rosenzweig
Members: Bailey, Fahey, Sano

Parks, Recreation and Family Services

Chair: Rosenzweig, Vice Chair: Konev
Members: Calsolaro, Fahey, Golby, Jenkins-Cox

Human Resources and Human Rights

Chair: Fahey, Vice Chair: Freeman
Members: Conti, Jenkins-Cox, Konev, Smith

General Services, Health and Environment

Chair: O'Brien, Vice Chair: Commisso
Members: Bailey, Calsolaro, Sano

Housing and Community Development

Chair: Calsolaro, Vice Chair: Bailey
Members: Conti, Freeman, Golby, Smith

STAY INVOLVED!

There are several important city boards that meet regularly to make decisions about city issues. These meetings are also open to the public. Below are the schedules of some of them, where they meet and a contact person if you would like more information.

Board of Contract & Supply

Meets: At 1:30 PM on the day following regular Common Council Meetings

Place: Mayor's Conference Room, 1st floor of City Hall
Purpose: To open and award city contracts
Contact: John Marsolais 434-5092

Board of Estimate and Apportionment

Meets: At 1:30 PM on the day following regular Common Council Meetings

Place: Mayor's Conference Room, 1st floor of City Hall
Purpose: Reviews and makes changes to the city budget
Contact: Leif Engstrom, Chief City Auditor
434-5023

Board of Zoning Appeals

Meets: At 5:30 PM on the second and fourth Wednesdays of every month

Place: Common Council Chamber
Purpose: Reviews and considers exceptions to the city zoning ordinance.
Contact: Bradley Glass 445-0754

Historic Resources Commission

Meets: At 5:15 PM on the first and third Wednesdays of the month

Place: Common Council Chamber
Purpose: Reviews changes to buildings in and near historic districts.
Contact: Rich Nicholson 434-5271

Planning Board

Meets: At 9:00 AM every third Thursday.
Place: Common Council Chamber
Purpose: Approves aspects of large scale projects
Contact: Bradley Glass 445-0754

Water Board

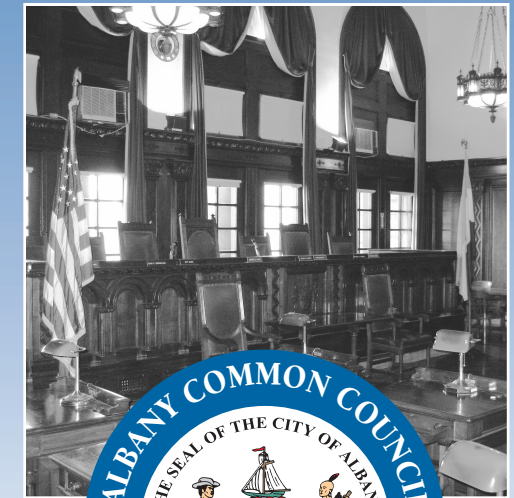
Meets: At 8:00 AM on the third or fourth Thursday of each month

Place: Mayor's Conference Room, 1st floor of City Hall
Purpose: Oversees the administration of the city's water supply.
Contact: Anthony J. Ferrara, Chair 434-5300

2011 COMMON COUNCIL MEETING DATES

Blue shaded dates are official meetings of the Common Council. Meetings begin at 7:00 PM in the Common Council Chamber. (A 6:30 PM Caucus precedes each meeting in the courtroom). Gray shaded dates are Common Council Caucuses. These are also open to the public, but there is no public comment period. Caucuses begin at 5:30 PM and are held in the city courtroom.

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



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Welcome to the Albany Common Council which serves New York's capital city!

I and the fifteen members of the Common Council are proud to represent the citizens of Albany. As elected officials, we know it is our duty to serve our constituents to the best of our ability, as well as to preserve, protect and improve the quality of life for city residents.

As President I place a great deal of importance on governing in a manner that is both open and transparent. My goal is to facilitate discussion that results in good governance. Broadly defined, good governance includes the ability to bring innovative risk-taking solutions to long established problems and create effective partnerships with communities. Effective partnerships are characterized by government empowering individuals and groups to step forward and dedicate themselves and their ideas to wrestling with and solving these entrenched problems. Your participation is vital to accomplishing this goal. I hope you will become more familiar with the work of the Common Council by attending our meetings as well as committee meetings. Join us in ensuring that a balance exists; one that has at its core the best interest of residents, businesses, and all who have a reason to experience what Albany offers. Should you have questions or need additional information, please don't hesitate to contact us.

We need to hear from you

Each Common Council meeting starts with a public comment period during which you may speak on any subject related to city government. Speakers are asked to keep their remarks to five minutes and will be called in the order in which they ask to speak.

Public hearings are held on some city ordinances and take place before the public comment period. Speakers are asked to sign up to speak at the beginning of the hearing and will be called in order. The public hearing ends when all have been heard.

Speakers are encouraged, but not required, to call the Clerk's Office at 434-5090 in advance of a meeting.

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The President Pro Tempore and Majority Leader are elected by the Council members at the beginning of each term. The President Pro Tempore appoints standing and ad hoc committees, assigns legislation and refers legislation and other matters to those committees. The President Pro Tempore is assisted by the Majority Leader in these duties.

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On the Dais

At Common Council meetings, five people sit on the dais. They are, from left: Cashawna Parker, Senior Legislative Aide, keeps minutes of the meeting and assists speakers; John Marsolais, Clerk of the Council (and City Clerk), keeps official records; Carolyn McLaughlin, President of the Common Council; Barbara Samel, Research Counsel and Parliamentarian; Patrick Jordan, Assistant Corporation Counsel.

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