Public Arts Commission

This commission promotes and supports the public display and appreciation of art in Vista. Members promote the display of public art by: cultivating audiences for public art; fostering sponsorship and stewardship of public art, and expanding opportunities for residents to experience public art.

Sales Tax Oversight Committee

This committee receives and reviews the independent financial audit of the City and other City financial reports. The Committee also provides recommendations for the 30-year timeframe of the Vista sales tax.

Senior Citizens Affairs Commission

The Senior Citizens Affairs Commission identifies, studies, and analyzes issues and needs relating to senior citizens. The Commission promotes the physical, emotional and social well-being of seniors and provides advice on programs to involve seniors in all aspecits of community life.

One successful senior program is the *Out & About Transportation Program*, which is a model used by other agencies in the County. The program provides bus transportation to seniors for shopping, entertainment, and other needs, as well as, to special events in Vista. Another program, the *Senior Nutrition* program is the largest of its kind in North County.

Traffic Commission

The Traffic Commission advises the City Council on matters relating to safe and efficient traffic movement, including pedestrian and bicycle movement on existing streets, roads, and City highways. The Commission is involved with the School Safety Committee, the Keep Kids Alive Drive 25 program, and Walk to School Day. Members also meet with neighborhood groups to address traffic concerns in specific areas.

Youth Advisory Commission

The goal of this commission is to develop mutual understanding and respect between young people and adult residents of Vista. The Commission sponsors programs, including a forum that involves youth and community leaders discussing the needs of teens. The Commission provides low income sponsorships to allow youth participation in community programs. The group also volunteers at community events.

How to Apply

To apply you must fill out an application. The applications are available in the City Clerk's office, or can be downloaded from the City web site under the City Clerk's page at cityofvista.com.

For more information, contact the City Clerk's office at 760.639.6125.



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Opportunities to Become Involved in the Vista Community

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There are many opportunities for residents to be involved in the community. One way is by serving on a City commission, committee or board. The City Council appoints residents to these advisory groups to help create programs, generate solutions to problems, and to foster positive relationships in the community.

Building Board of Appeals

The Building Board of Appeals hears appeals of orders, decisions and determinations made by the Building Official relative to the application and interpretation of the Building Code.

Building experience and training are necessary qualifications for the members to discuss and rule on building matters.

Community Development Block Grant Committee

The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) members provide recommendations to the City Council for social service projects that will benefit Vista's low and moderate income residents. The group reviews proposals and makes recommendations to the City Council for projects that can assist the City in meeting its community development goals. High priority project areas include: persons with special needs, youth, seniors and revitalization in the Townsite area.

Community Safety Commission

This group encourages public support and involvement in preventing and reducing crimes and substance abuse throughout the community. The group advises the City Council on legislation, programs, and policies which can contribute to crime and prevention. The commission also meets with residents in specific communities to help community members take steps that can eliminate criminal activities in their neighborhoods. The commission works closely with the Crime Prevention Unit of the Vista Sheriff's Department and helps coordinate Neighborhood Watch recognition events, as well as National Night Out activities.

Investment Advisory Committee

The Investment Advisory Committee reviews the practices and procedures of the City Treasurer. The committee does so by reviewing the quarterly transactions to determine if the Treasurer has complied with the City's Investment Policy. The committee also reviews the policies of the City with respect to investment activities.

Mobile Home Park Review Board

This board provides a forum for hearing and investigating complaints from residents and owners regarding mobile home park conditions and relationships, and provides a means for resolving complaints/disputes.

Parks & Recreation Commission

This commission provides advice on matters concerning parks and recreation and assists in the coordination of planning and programming. Members help promote existing programs, such as the Youth Basketball Association and the Fourth of July Event.

Planning Commission

The Planning Commission reviews and acts on applications for land use permits, and makes recommendations on amendments to the City Council on General Plan elements and amendments, and zoning regulations. This commission is different than most City commissions, in that it not only acts in an advisory capacity, but also makes key land use decisions on Site Development Plans and Tentative Subdivision Maps. These decisions have an impact on the aesthetics and land use patterns of the community.

