

Montgomery City Council Committees

Six of the council members are appointed to the committees. The mayor is not appointed to a committee. Each committee consists of three council members and at least one staff liaison. City Council committee meetings are open to the public.

Law and Safety

This Committee reviews the public safety functions of the City, which include the Police and Fire operations. The Committee has oversight for recommendations concerning major equipment purchases for these Departments. The Committee also works closely with the Departments and the City Manager on Civil service appointments and promotions.

Financial Planning

This Committee reviews issues related to the City's finances and budget. The Committee also serves as the City's Audit Committee to review financial statements and the annual audit report with any responses from the State Auditor. The Committee would also address financial issues, including property tax and levy questions, general taxation, indebtedness, appropriation of funds, wages and salaries of employees, and financial policy questions.

Planning, Zoning, and Landmarks

This Committee reviews issues related to community development, zoning, and the historic landmarks within the City. The Committee reviews staff-recommended changes to the zoning code and general City planning activities and has oversight for historical buildings and functions, the comprehensive plan, subdivision rules and regulations, the building code, and the property maintenance code.

Parks and Recreation

This Committee oversees the City's parks and recreation activities, including the swimming pool and related recreation programs.

Government Affairs

This Committee generally addresses issues related to intergovernmental relations, the rules and procedures of City Council, and City communications such as City surveys and newsletters. The Committee also addresses City Council personnel issues and the annual evaluation of the City Manager and Law Director. The Committee is responsible for reviewing the declaration of Surplus property and approving the sale of such property.

Public Works

This Committee reviews issues related to the Public Works Department and their responsibilities within the City including planned re-paving schedules, infrastructure-related capital improvement projects, trash collection, traffic control devices, and general policies related to snow removal, sidewalk maintenance and other maintenance, repair, and enhancement of the City's infrastructure.