

City of Kenosha

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[Common Council](#)

The Common Council of the City of Kenosha is composed of the Mayor and 17 alderpersons. The alderpersons work together to determine city policies and ordinances. One alderperson is elected from each of the 17 districts in the city for a two-year term.

Meetings: First and third Monday of each month 7:00 PM, room 200 at City Hall 625 52nd St.

[All Contacts](#)

Elections: Spring election every 2 years.

[Airport Commission](#)

Commissioners are empowered to adopt regulations, approve leases, establish fees and charges, recommend an annual budget and review policies to be approved by the Common Council and within Federal Aviation Administration guidelines.

Meetings: 4th Wednesday of the month, 4:00 PM, 9900 52nd St Conference room

Contact: Denise Henry - 262-653-4160

[Board of Housing Appeals](#)

The Board of Housing Appeals hears appeals from property owners about Orders to Repair they have received and were issued by the City's Property Maintenance Division.

Meetings: As Needed. Annual Meeting in May

Contact: Richard Kath - 262-653-4274

[Board of Review](#)

Hears appeals to property assessments.

Meetings: May - July. Notices given on [City website](#) - [First notice 2022](#)

Contact: City Clerk - 262-653-4020 | cityclerk@kenosha.org

Community Development Block Grant COMMISSION/HOME PROGRAM COMMISSION

THE CDBG Program provides annual grants on a formula basis to entitled cities and counties to develop viable urban communities by providing decent housing and a suitable living environment and by expanding economic opportunities, principally for low and moderate income persons.

Meetings: ??

Contact:

- Tony Geliche - 262-653-4039
- Mike Maiki - 262-653-4038

City Planning Commission

The responsibility of the commission is to make and adopt a Master Plan for the physical development of the municipality; make reports and recommendations relating to the plan and development of the city

Meetings: First and third Thursdays of every month, 5:00 PM in room 202, 625 52nd Street.

Contact:

- Rich Schroeder - 262-653-4034
- Brian Wilke - 262-653-4049

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

The commission shall review and comment on the Director of Human Resources proposals for new rules and regulations or for amendments to existing rules and regulations authorized by the governing ordinance. Also serves as an appeals body to hear appeals from disciplinary actions. After hearing an appeal, the commission shall have the authority to affirm, reverse or modify the action of the appointing official.

Meetings: ?

Contact: Emily Roach - 262-653-4130

COMMISSION ON THE ARTS

The Art Commission was created to support economic development of creative and expressive endeavors by developing collaborative relationship between artists, musicians, businesses, government and other arts organizations

Meetings: First Tuesday of every month, Room 301, 625 52nd Street 4:00 PM

Contact: Kay Schueffner - 262-653-4002

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

The responsibility of the commission is to promote historic preservation within Kenosha by nominating structures, sites and districts for historic designation, preparing district plans, reviewing proposed work and issuing certificates of appropriateness and letters of denial, providing technical assistance, and fostering an appreciation of the city's historical and architectural heritage.

Meetings: Last Thursday of every month, Room 204 625 52nd Street, 5:00 PM

Contact: Mike Maki - 262-653-4048

KENOSHA AREA TOURISM CORPORATION

The Kenosha Area Tourism Corporation deals with improvements of image for the greater Kenosha area, including strengthening the spirit of community involvement among citizens and business persons, the attraction of visitors and the promotion of holding and conducting of convention, public gatherings, and public attraction, and to develop civic interest and participation towards this mission.

Meetings: 3rd Tuesday of the month, 600 52nd street suite 140, 7:45 AM

Contact: Dennis DuChene - 262-654-7307

KENOSHA HOMETOWN HEROES COMMISSION

The Kenosha Hometown Heroes Award Program is dedicated to identifying and recognizing as Hometown Heroes worthy men and women who have served or are currently serving in the United States Armed Forces who were born in, currently reside in or have previously resided for ten (10) years or more at any time, in the City of Kenosha, Wisconsin

Meetings: 2nd Wednesday of the month, 625 52nd Street Room 301, 5:00 PM

Contact: Kay Schueffner - 262-653-4000

KENOSHA HOUSING AUTHORITY

The KHA Board reviews and approves each month expenditures for both administrative and rental housing cost and adherence to budget projects. The board also approves the annual administrative budget, administrative plan revisions, City housing development plans, offers to purchase, second mortgages on City home purchases, the HOME Program, bond development and the applications for new programs and projects.

Meetings: 3rd Tuesday of the month, 625 52nd Street, room 202, 4:00 PM

Contact: Lyn Elvetici - 262-653-4120

KENOSHA LAKESHORE BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Current mission of the BID Board is to create a livable, vibrant space which is sensitive to Kenosha's historic roots, with significant activities and jobs that make it a destination for the region. Goals and objectives include reducing vacant commercial and residential properties, creating a comprehensive advertising and marketing campaign, promoting cooperation with the City to beautify the district, update infrastructure and preserve historic heritage, and promoting cooperation and communication among BID members.

Meetings: Quarterly - Unknown day/time/location

Contact: Alex Kudrna - 262-484-4089

KENOSHA PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Library Board of Trustees carries out the Library's mission by authorizing the KPL business plan and operating policies, setting long range goals and objectives, hiring and retaining a competent Library Director, monitoring Library operations and providing accountability for the Library to the public.

Meetings: 2nd Tuesday of each month - 5:30 PM, Southwest or Northside Library

Contact: Brandi Cummings - 262-564-6113

KENOSHA PUBLIC MUSEUM BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Board's major functions include the establishment of the policies, goals and purpose of the Kenosha Public Museums; select and govern its Director; control the Museums finances, funds, grants and endowments; prepare, approve and submit an operating budget and to direct expenditure of funds provided in the budget; accept and control donations, bequests and miscellaneous receipts; serve as Trustee for Museums funds and collections; and authorize selection, acquisition and maintenance of collections, specimens and artifacts.

Meetings: 2nd Tuesday of each month, Civil War Museum, 4:30 PM

Contact: Dan Joyce - 262-653-4140

MAYOR'S YOUTH COMMISSION

The commission explores, communicates and provides for the needs, problems, issues and activities affecting the youth of Kenosha. They also partner with Kenosha Unified School District and other school entities to encourage nominations of youth in the community for Mayor's Youth Commission Awards on a quarterly basis.

Meetings: 2nd Wednesday of each month

Contact: Paula Lattergrass - 262-653-4000

POLICE & FIRE COMMISSION

Solely responsible for appointment of the Police Chief and Fire Chief. Also approves appointment of new police officers as well as promotions in both departments. Has the ability to set the qualifications for police officers and firefighters and to see the passing score for the written test for new officers/firefighters. Responsible for convening disciplinary hearings if charges are filed by the Police Chief, Fire Chief or any citizen against a police officer or firefighter.

Meetings: 3rd Tuesday of each month, 9:00 AM, 625 52nd St. Room 202

Contact: Emily Roach - kpfcommission@kenosha.org - 262-653-4130

REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

The Authority is an independent, separate and distinct public body whose purpose is blight elimination, slum clearance and urban renewal. The Authority's powers include the acquisition and real property by eminent domain and issuance of revenue bonds to fund its activities.

Meetings: 3rd tuesday of each month, 5:00 PM, room 204 625 52nd Street, Kenosha

Contact: Zohrab Khaligian - 262-653-4041

SEX OFFENDER RESIDENCE BOARD

The Board's primary function is to hold hearings on each petition for exemption from the sexual offender residency restrictions and decide by majority vote whether to grant or deny an exemption to the petitioner.

Meetings: As needed

Contact: 262-653-4170

Transit Commission

The commission is responsible for managing the municipal parking lots, establishing fees and charges for parking permits as it determines reasonable. They also establish fees and charges to ride the city buses and streetcars; approve equipment purchases and contracts; and hold public hearings when rate changes are needed.

Meetings: 3rd monday of the month. 5:15 PM - 625 52nd Street, Room 301

Contact: Kristina Del Frate - 262-653-4290

[ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS](#)

The Zoning Board of Appeals is a quasi-judicial body (functions in many respects like a court). The board hears variances, special exceptions, and administrative appeals. Variances, etc., may be granted when the appellant can prove that enforcement of the Zoning Ordinance would result in unnecessary hardship for the petitioner

Meetings: As Needed

Contact: Brian Wilke - 262-653-4049

Kenosha County

[County Board of Supervisors](#)

The County Board of Supervisors is the legislative branch of the county government and operates under powers granted by the state legislature. Those powers are listed in Chapter 59 of the state statutes and include the authority to establish the annual county budget and set the property tax rate for county purposes. The County Board creates county policy, approves expenditures and generally serves as the governing body of the county government.

Meetings: First and third Tuesdays of each month, 7:30 PM in the County Board Chambers, 1010 56th Street.

Contact: [All County Board Supervisors](#)

[Executive Committee](#)

Meetings: First

[Finance / Administration Committee](#)

[Human Services Committee](#)

[Judiciary & Law Committee](#)

[Legislative Committee](#)

[Planning, Development & Extension Education Committee](#)

[Public Works / Facilities Committee](#)

[2021 Redistricting Committee](#)

[Board of Administrative Appeals](#)

In accordance with Section 3.65, the Kenosha County Board of Administrative Appeals was created to review administrative determinations, with the exception, however, of those matters governed by the appeal process provided in the Kenosha County General Zoning and Shoreland/Floodplain Zoning Ordinance.

Meetings: As Needed

[Kenosha County Board of Health](#)

The purpose of the board is governing the Kenosha County Health Department, assuring the enforcement of state public health statutes and rules, protecting the health of the citizens of Kenosha County and providing public health services to the citizens of Kenosha County.

Meetings: Second Tuesdays of each month, 12:00 PM, Virtual. Joining information unavailable from county website

Contact: Jen Freiheit - (262) 605-6700

Brookside Board of Trustees

Pursuant to Section 46.18 of the Wisconsin Statutes, every county home, infirmary, hospital or similar institution, shall, subject to regulations approved by the County Board, be managed by a board of trustees. Therefore, the Brookside Care Center must be managed by a board of trustees

No information given regarding the board from the county website aside from members.

Civil Service Commission

Pursuant to the authority granted in Chapters 59 and 63 of the Wisconsin Statutes, the Kenosha County Board of Supervisors created Chapter 4 of the Municipal Code of Kenosha County, thereby establishing the Kenosha County Civil Service Commission, to provide an equitable system of recruitment, selection, promotion, and retention for sworn Kenosha County Sheriff's Department employees.

No information given from the county website aside from members.

Commission on Aging and Disability Services

Section 46.82(4) of the Wisconsin Statutes states that a Commission on Aging shall plan and develop administrative and program policies, in accordance with state law and within limits established by the department of health services, if any, for programs in the county that are funded by the federal or state government for administration by the Aging Unit. Kenosha County's Aging Unit is the Division of Aging, Disability and Behavioral Health Services.

No information given from the county website aside from members.

Housing Authority Committee

Operates in an effort to conserve, rehabilitate, and improve property owned or occupied by low and moderate-income residents in Kenosha County, outside of the City of Kenosha.

Meetings: As Needed. Contact phone number for the next meeting.

Contact: Kenosha County Housing Authority - 262-857-1843

[Land & Water Conservation Committee](#)

Its mission is to work with the citizens of Kenosha County in encouraging soil and water conservation planning, assisting with the farmland preservation program, abating non-point source water pollution, erosion control planning, eliminating soil loss, and the county's tree program.

Meetings: Meets as needed

Contact: Planning & Development Office - 262-857-1895

[Human Services Board](#)

The Human Services Board is intended to be a policy-making body only, determining the broad outlines and principles governing the administration of programs relating to the Department of Human Services.

No information given from the county website aside from members.

[Mental Health/Alcohol/Drugs Committee](#)

A standing committee of the Human Services Board

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[Kenosha Joint Services Board](#)

To operate a civilian agency which provides support services to the Kenosha Sheriff's Department, Kenosha Police Department, Kenosha Fire Department and various other law enforcement and emergency services agencies in the form of dispatching, records keeping, evidence/identification functions, and fleet maintenance.

Meetings: Fourth Tuesday of the month - 4:30 PM - Kenosha County Safety Building, 1000 55th Street

Contact: 262-605-5050, info@kenoshaJS.org

[Land Information Council](#)

Act 314 amended Section 59.72 to create under subsection (3m) a land information council which shall review the priorities, needs, policies and expenditures of a land information office established by the board under sub. (3) and advise the county on matters affecting the land information office.

Meetings: As Needed

[Library System Board](#)

The Kenosha County Library System is an agency of Kenosha County, established in accordance with Chapter 43 of the Wisconsin Statutes, to provide for the extension and improvement of library systems throughout Kenosha County.

Meetings: 6 meetings per year

[Local Emergency Planning Committee](#)

A Local Emergency Planning Committee is an advisory committee that also has legal authority regarding the enforcement of chemical reporting and the clean-up of chemical spills or releases. The Kenosha County Emergency Planning Committee, through Kenosha County Emergency Management, oversees the Hazardous Materials Planning and Community Right-to-Know functions for Kenosha County and all of its municipalities

Meetings: TBD

[Public Inland Lake Protection and Rehabilitation District Boards](#)

Districts may be created for the purpose of undertaking a program of lake protection and rehabilitation of a lake or parts thereof within the district. Any district may select a name for the district, sue and be sued, make contracts, accept gifts, purchase, lease, devise, or otherwise acquire, hold, maintain or dispose of property, disburse money, contract debt and do any other acts necessary to carry out a program of lake protection and rehabilitation.

Meetings: TBD

[Racial and Ethnic Equity Commission](#)

The commission's mission is to realize greater racial and ethnic equity and dismantle racism in Kenosha County through research, education, and ongoing review of current policies and

procedures so as to implement transformative ideas born of research, collaboration, and community engagement.

Meetings: Third Thursdays of each month, 6:00 PM - Commons Area of 8600 Sheridan Road

[Traffic Safety Commission](#)

Traffic safety commissions are intended to be a means of bringing local and state expertise to the task of minimizing the incidence and severity of traffic accidents.

Meetings: TBD

[Veterans Service Commission](#)

The purpose of the Commission is to furnish aid to needy veterans, their needy spouses, surviving spouses, minor and dependent children of the veterans, and the needy parents of veterans, if the right of that person to receive aid is established to the Commission's satisfaction.

Meetings: The 2nd Tuesday of the Quarter in the month February, May, August, and November. Suite 700, 8600 Sheridan Road.

Contact: Kenosha County Veterans Services Office: (262) 605-6690