Single Board Current Appointees

Planning Commission

Member 1 - Public Works Dir.: Richard Bernardo
Appointment Notes:

- Appointed Term Start: 1/2/2023
- Appointing Authority: Mayor
- Appointed Term End: 1/6/2025
- Actual Term Start: 1/2/2023

Term Description: 9 members consisting of Public Works Director, Finance Director, and 7 electors of the City who shall hold no salaried office in the City government and who are known to be interested in City Planning. Terms for 7 electors shall be for 4 years. Five members appointed by the Mayor. Two members appointed by the Council President.

Requirements: Director of Public Works
- Ordinance Reference: Charter 13.01; Code Chapters 2, 15 & 17
- Reference Document: re-appointed 1/2/2023

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Occupation: Public Works Director
rberndaro@cranstonri.org

Appointees Notes:

Member 2 - Finance Director: Thomas Zidelis

Appointment Notes:

- Appointed Term Start: 1/2/2023
- Appointing Authority: Mayor
- Appointed Term End: 1/6/2025
- Actual Term Start: 1/2/2023

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Requirements: City Finance Director
- Ordinance Reference: Charter 13.01; Code Chapters 2, 15 & 17
- Reference Document: re-appointed 1/2/2023

Home:

Occupation: Finance Director
780-3120
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Appointees Notes:

Member 3: Kathleen M. Lanphear

Appointment Notes:

- Appointed Term Start: 2/11/2020
- Appointing Authority: Mayor
- Appointed Term End: 2/20/2024
- Actual Term Start: 2/11/2020

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Requirements: Interested in City Planning.
- Ordinance Reference: Charter 13.01; Code Chapters 2, 15 & 17
- Reference Document: letter dated 2/18/2020

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Appointees Notes:
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Member 4: Lisa Mancini
Appointment Notes:

Appointed Term Start: 12/28/2022  
Appointed Term End: 11/1/2026  
Appointing Authority: Mayor 
Actuarial Term Start: 12/28/2022

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Requirements: Interested in City Planning.  
Ordinance Reference: Charter 13.01; Code Chapters 2, 15 & 17  
Reference Document: letter dated 12/28/2022

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Appointees Notes:

Member 5: Robert Coupe
Appointment Notes:

Appointed Term Start: 12/2/2021  
Appointed Term End: 2/1/2026  
Appointing Authority: Mayor  
Actuarial Term Start: 12/2/2021

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Requirements: Interested in City Planning.  
Ordinance Reference: Charter 13.01; Code Chapters 2, 15 & 17  
Reference Document: letter dated 12/2/2021

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Appointees Notes:

Member 6: David Exter
Appointment Notes: filled unexpired term of Frank Ritz

Appointed Term Start: 12/28/2022  
Appointed Term End: 12/20/2024  
Appointing Authority: Mayor  
Actuarial Term Start: 11/28/2022

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Reference Document: letter dated 12/28/2022

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Appointees Notes:
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Member 7: Michael E. Smith

Appointment Notes:
Position Active Date: 1/1/2009  Appointed Term Start: 12/2/2021  Appointing Authority: Mayor
Position End Date: 1/1/2013  Appointed Term End: 1/4/2025  Actual Term Start: 12/2/2021
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Requirements: Interest in City Planning  Ordinance Reference: Charter 13.01; Code Chapters 2, 15 & 17
Reference Document: letter dated 12/2/2021

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Appointees Notes:
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Member 8: Steven Frias

Appointment Notes:
Position Active Date: 11/4/2014  Appointed Term Start: 12/19/2022  Appointing Authority: Council President
Position End Date: 12/19/2026  Appointed Term End: 12/19/2026  Actual Term Start: 12/19/2026
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Requirements: Must be a resident of Ward 4, 5 or 6  Ordinance Reference: Charter 13.01; Code Chapters 2, 15 & 17
Reference Document: letter dated 12/21/2022

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Appointees Notes:

Member 9: Thomas A Barbieri

Appointment Notes:
Position Active Date: 11/4/2014  Appointed Term Start: 12/19/2022  Appointing Authority: Council President
Position End Date: 12/19/2026  Appointed Term End: 12/19/2026  Actual Term Start: 12/19/2026
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Requirements: Must be a resident of Ward 1, 2 or 3  Ordinance Reference: Charter 13.01; Code Chapters 2, 15 & 17
Reference Document: letter dated 12/19/2022

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Appointees Notes: