



City of Villa Rica
571 W. Bankhead Highway
Villa Rica, GA 30180



**APPLICATION FOR BOARD OR COMMISSION
APPOINTMENT**

Citizens provide a great insight and knowledge to City government. An avenue that the City of Villa Rica uses to get this insight is through the various Boards and Commissions of the City of Villa Rica. The members of the Boards and Commissions make decisions and help recommend and review policies for the City of Villa Rica and its Mayor and Council. This questionnaire will assist the Mayor and Council in the review process and in determining applicant eligibility requirements and qualifications for Board or Commission membership.

Questions to consider before applying for membership on a Board or Commission:

- Do I fully understand what this Board or Commission expects from me?
- Am I committed to the goals and mission of this Board or Commission?
- Can I afford the demands on my time, resources and energy?
- Will I attend meetings regularly, making them a priority for the duration of my appointment?
- Am I willing to perform a reasonable amount of work outside of regularly scheduled Board or Commission meetings and prepare for each meeting?
- Can I work effectively with the other members of the Board or Commission?
- Am I willing to participate in necessary Board or Commission training, education and development activities that will improve my effectiveness in my position?

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Applicant Name: _____

Occupation: _____ Employer: _____

Home Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: (_____) _____ Home E-Mail: _____

Work Phone: (_____) _____ Work E-Mail: _____

Cell Phone: (_____) _____ Preferred E-Mail: Home Work

Name and address of the business entity you own, located within the city limits of Villa Rica (if applicable) _____

a) Which Board(s) or Commission(s) do you wish to be appointed to? _____

b) How long have you been a resident of the City of Villa Rica? ___ Years ___ Months

c) Are you current with all of your financial obligations to the City? Yes No

d) Are you willing and available to attend training sessions on-site and/or off-site if provided by the City? Yes No

e) Available Boards and Commissions and their terms and meeting schedules are listed at the end of this application. Are you able to meet the attendance requirements of the position for which you are applying? Yes No

f) Do you know of any circumstances that would result in you having to abstain from voting on any action before the Board or Commission? Yes No If yes, please explain:

g) Do you or your employer, or your spouse, child, relative or their employers, do business with the City of Villa Rica Yes No If yes, please explain:

h) Do you have any employment or contractual relationship with the City of Villa Rica that would create a continuing or frequently recurring conflict with regard to your participation on a Board or Commission? Yes No If yes, please explain:

i) Please briefly explain your reasons for wishing to serve on the Board or Commission you select:

j) Are you willing to be considered for appointment to any of the other Boards or Commissions of the City if a position is not available on the Board or Commission of your first choice? Yes No If yes, please list the Boards or Commissions for which you would like to be considered (in order of interest):

APPLICANT STATEMENT

I understand that I am applying for appointment to a Board or Commission and that the appointing authority may require an interview prior to consideration for appointment; that I will be required to take an oath of office to uphold the City's charter and ordinances; that I may be removed from office for any reason permitted by law or City charter; and that my application will remain on file for consideration for a period of six months, after which time, I will need to file a new application. I agree to comply at all times with all requirements of the office for which I am applying and to which I may be appointed. All statements and information provided in this application are true to the best of my knowledge.

Signature

Printed Name

Date

Please return signed application to:

Alisa Doyal, City Clerk
City of Villa Rica
571 W. Bankhead Hwy
Villa Rica, GA 30180

Fax: 770-459-7003
Email: adoyal@villarica.org

Questions? Contact the City Clerk at 678-840-1212

BOARD AND COMMISSION INFORMATION

Board of Appeals (BOA): The BOA is a quasi-judicial body that provides the public with a final administrative review process for appeals relating to a wide range of City determinations. The Board strives to provide an efficient, fair and expeditious public hearing and decision-making process before an impartial panel as a last step in the City's permit issuance process. The Board hears and decides appeals involving the granting, denial, suspension, or revocation of permits, licenses, and other use entitlements by various City commissions and departments. The granting or denial of variances and other determinations by the P&Z Commission. Term: 3 years | Members: 5

Downtown Development Authority (DDA): The DDA's mission is to oversee the revitalization and redevelopment of the central business district and to develop and promote for the public good and general welfare, trade, commerce, industry and employment opportunities. Members must either own a business or have an economic interest in the downtown. A member of the City Council is permitted to serve on the DDA. Term: 4 years | Members: 7

Historic Preservation Commission (HPC): This six-member commission is appointed by the City Council and administers the historic regulations in the City of Villa Rica. Commissioners review requests for retaining wall grants, revolving loan applications, building permit applications and demolition permit requests. Term: 3 years | Members: 6

Housing Authority Board (HAB): The function and responsibility of the HAB is to plan, develop, and administer a public housing program for the City of Villa Rica. Members are appointed by the Mayor for indefinite terms.

Library Advisory Board (LAB): Acts in an advisory capacity to the branch manager of the Villa Rica Public Library. Members work with the Branch Manager to establish operational policies for the library for approval by the City Council and West Georgia Regional Library System, assist the Branch Manager with the annual budget request to the City Council, adopts bylaws and regulations for internal operations, makes recommendations through the City Manager to the Mayor and City Council concerning the library, solicits donations of money and/or property for the benefit of the library, and represents the library to the community. The City Manager, Branch Manager and WGRL Director serve as nonvoting members. Term: 3 years | Members: 7

Main Street Advisory Board (MSAB): This seven-member Board commission is appointed by the City Council and works to promote and create a thriving central business district in Downtown Villa Rica and along primary entrance corridors into the central downtown business district. Term: 2 years | Members: 7

Planning & Zoning Commission (P&Z): The P&Z advises the City Council in decisions pertaining to amendments to the Comprehensive Plan, the Zoning Ordinance and applications for development. The Commission is charged with developing and maintaining the Comprehensive Plan and submitting the plan and its elements to the City Council. The Commission also reviews and makes recommendations regarding changes to the Comprehensive Plan land use map. The Commission hears, reviews and makes recommendations regarding all applications for subdivision site plans, specific plans and phased and conditional use permit applications. Term: 1 year | Members: 5

Recreation Advisory Commission (RAC): The purpose of the RAC is to make recommendations to the City Council regarding parks and recreation plans, policies, programs and projects. Term: 3 years | Members: 7

Villa Rica Cemetery Committee: Functions include making recommendations to the City Manager on all aspects of the management and operations of the city's cemeteries. Term: 3 years | Members: 6

Villa Rica Development Authority (VRDA): The VRDA exists to provide bond financing for community and economic development projects with a goal of increasing job opportunities within the community, supporting education and health care, and providing housing for underserved communities, all of which benefit the residents of the city of Villa Rica and the state of Georgia. Term: 4 years | Members: 7

PROCEDURES FOR BOARD OR COMMISSION APPOINTMENT

- 1) Approximately four weeks before the end of a Board or Commission term, the City Clerk will notify the Mayor and City Council and the members of the Board or Committee affected of the positions and citizens whose terms will be expiring.
- 2) The City Clerk will cause this information to be posted via the City's website, electronic newsletter or other means to inform the residents in the city. This notice will also include qualifications (if any) to serve. The Mayor and City Council will set the timeframe for the acceptance of applicants.
- 3) Applications may be sent to the City Clerk. The Mayor and City Council may interview candidates at its discretion. The Mayor and City Council retains all responsibilities and rights to select candidates, nominate and confirm appointments as required by the City Charter and Code of Ordinances.
- 4) After any appointment, the new Board or Commission member, as well as the other members of that Board or Commission will receive a letter notifying them of their appointment and be scheduled to be administered an Oath of Office.

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