

Boards & Commissions

AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRUST FUND BOARD

The Stamford Affordable Housing Trust Fund (SAHTF) was created by Board of Representatives by Ordinance in November 2020. Its purpose is the preservation of existing and the creation of new affordable rental and home ownership housing in the Stamford, pursuant to the City's Master and Affordable Housing plans.

Where does the Money in the Trust Fund come from? Is it tax dollars?

The money in the Trust Fund is generally NOT taxpayer money. The most important sources are the Commercial Linkage Fees, which is a percentage of the building permit fees for commercial development, and Fee-in-Lieu payments as part of the City's Below Market Rate (BMR) program. The City's BMR program, as established in Section 7.4. of the Stamford Zoning Regulations requires that all new residential development with ten or more units must set aside 10% of the new units as permanently affordable housing units. Under certain circumstances and by Special Permit approval only, developers can make a Fee-in-Lieu payment instead of providing the affordable units on Site.

What does "Affordable" mean?

Housing is considered "affordable" when a household does not spend more than 30% of their income for housing, such as rent, mortgage payments, taxes, or basic utilities. Stamford's BMR program targets households who make less than 80% of the Area Median Income. The Area Median Income is determined annually by the US Department of Housing and Urban Development and adjusted for Household Size.

What are the Pros and Cons of Fee-In-Lieu Payments?

The goal of the BMR program is to create integrated, socio-economically and otherwise diverse neighborhoods. Therefore, there is a strong preference for BMR units to be provided on-site. However, since BMR units get generated only in areas that see a lot of development and they are generally the same unit type as built in a development, BMRs tend to be concentrated in some neighborhoods and tend to be smaller in size. Fee-in-Lieu payments can be used to build affordable housing in other parts of town, produce dwelling units that the market doesn't provide or to target certain affordability levels that seem to be a high need for housing.

What data does the Board of Trustees use to make its decisions?

The Affordable Housing Trust Fund Ordinance requires the preparation of a housing study at least every 5 years to guide the decision-making process of the Board of Trustees.

- Term length is 3 years (for Public Members only – not ex officio)
- Term limit is 2 terms (for Public Members only – not ex officio)

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Details

Contact Name: Emily Gordon

Contact Phone: (203) 977-5650

Term Length: 3 Years

Term Limit: 2 Term

Member Size: 7

Current Appointments (5)



Laura Burwick

Start: N/A **End:** N/A

City of Stamford Email: lburwick@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Democrat

Appointing Authority: Board of Finance

Office/Role: BOF Ex Officio



Ralph Blessing

Start: N/A **End:** N/A

City of Stamford Email: rblessing@stamfordct.gov

Position: Chair

Office/Role: Land Use Bureau Chief Ex Officio



David Stein

Start: N/A **End:** N/A

City of Stamford Email: dstein@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Democrat

Office/Role: Zoning Board Chair Ex Officio



Winton Hill

Start: N/A **End:** N/A

Replacing: Roqueta

Political Party: Democrat

City of Stamford Email: WHill@StamfordCT.gov

Appointing Authority: Board of Representatives

Office/Role: BOR Ex Officio



Sharona Cowan

Start: N/A **End:** N/A

City of Stamford Email: scowan@stamfordct.gov

Office/Role: Director of Public Health Ex Officio

Current Vacancies



Immediate Vacancy Term Ends: N/A

Political Party: N/A

Position: Member of Public



Immediate Vacancy Term Ends: Dec 02, 2028

Replacing: Lane

Political Party: N/A

Position: Member of Public

Upcoming Vacancies

No upcoming vacancies

ANTI-BLIGHT HEARING COMMITTEE

The Blight Hearing Committee is comprised of the Chairpersons of the Police Commission, the Fire Commission, the Zoning Board, the Health Commission, and the President of the Board of Representatives, or their designees.

It is the responsibility of the Blight Hearing Committee to hear appeals from the Notice of Civil Citation of Blight Notices. The Committee determines the appropriateness of blight citations for violations as of the date of the original notice of blight.

Visit the City of Stamford website for minutes, agendas, and more information.
<https://www.stamfordct.gov/government/boards-commissions/anti-blight>

Details

Member Size: 5

Current Appointments (5)



Pat Parry

Start: N/A **End:** N/A

City of Stamford Email: pparry@stamhealth.org

Political Party: Democrat

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Position: Health Commission Designee



Geoff Alswanger

Start: N/A **End:** N/A

City of Stamford Email: galswanger@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Democrat

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Position: Chair of Fire Commission/Designee



Rosanne P Mcmanus

Start: N/A **End:** N/A

City of Stamford Email: rmcmanus@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Unaffiliated

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Position: Zoning Board Chair/Designee



Michael Fedele

Start: N/A **End:** N/A

City of Stamford Email: mfedele@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Republican

Position: Police Commission Chair/Designee



David Blank

Start: N/A **End:** N/A

Replacing: Stella

Political Party: N/A

Position: BOR Designee

Current Vacancies

No Current Vacancies

Upcoming Vacancies

No upcoming vacancies

APPOINTMENTS COMMISSION

The City of Stamford has created the Appointments Commission, which has been charged with facilitating and clarifying the appointments process to City boards and commissions.

Visit the City of Stamford website for minutes, agendas, and more information.

<https://www.stamfordct.gov/government/boards-commissions/appointments-commission>

Details

Contact Name: Rachel Alonso-Mendoza

Contact Phone: 203-977-1736

Term Length: 3 Years

Member Size: 7

Current Appointments (3)



Patrick Sasser

Start: Aug 01, 2022 **End:** Dec 31, 2024

City of Stamford Email: psasser@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Republican

Replacing: New Commission

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Jaclyn Pioli

Start: May 30, 2024 **End:** Dec 01, 2027

Replacing: New Commission

City of Stamford Email: jpioli@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Democrat

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Phillip A Magalnick

Start: Jul 07, 2025 **End:** Dec 01, 2027

City of Stamford Email: pmagalnick@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Independent

Replacing: McKenzi-Reid

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Current Vacancies



Immediate Vacancy Term Ends: N/A

Political Party: Republican



Immediate Vacancy Term Ends: N/A



Immediate Vacancy Term Ends: N/A



Immediate Vacancy Term Ends: Dec 01, 2027

Replacing: Melchionne
Political Party: Republican
City of Stamford Email: sgarst@stamfordct.gov
Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Immediate Vacancy Term Ends: N/A
Political Party: Democrat
City of Stamford Email: jstella@stamfordct.gov
Replacing: New Commission
Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons
Position: BOR Member
Office/Role: BOR Designee

Upcoming Vacancies

No upcoming vacancies

ARTS & CULTURE COMMISSION

The City of Stamford has created the Stamford Arts & Culture Commission, which has been charged with stimulating, facilitating, coordinating, and cooperating with Stamford's arts and cultural organizations (as well as individual artists) for the development of the creative, performing and visual arts. It shall serve as an information center and focal point in the city for activities in the arts.

Visit the City of Stamford website for minutes, agendas, and more information.
<https://www.stamfordct.gov/government/boards-commissions/arts-culture-commission>

Details

Contact Name: Aaron Miller

Contact Email: AMiller1@stamfordct.gov

Term Length: 3 Years

Member Size: 9

Current Appointments (9)



Alexandra Siladi

Start: Aug 05, 2024 **End:** Dec 01, 2025

Political Party: Democrat

City of Stamford Email: asiladi@StamfordCT.gov

Replacing: McIntosh

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Position: Community Member



Ellen Gordon

Start: Aug 05, 2024 **End:** Dec 01, 2026

City of Stamford Email: egordon@stamfordct.gov

Replacing: Etter

Political Party: Democrat

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Position: Arts Community Member



Louis Ursone

Start: Jul 05, 2023 **End:** Dec 01, 2025

City of Stamford Email: lursone@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Democrat

Replacing: Reappointment

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Position: Arts Community Member



Abraham Viera

Start: Aug 05, 2024 **End:** Dec 01, 2026

City of Stamford Email: aviera@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Republican

Replacing: Cuscuna

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Position: Arts Community Member



Michael E. Moran
Start: Dec 02, 2023 **End:** Dec 01, 2026
City of Stamford Email: mmoran@stamfordct.gov
Political Party: Republican
Replacing: Reappointment
Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons
Position: Arts Community Member



Lynne Colatrella
Start: Dec 02, 2024 **End:** Dec 01, 2027
City of Stamford Email: lcolatrella@stamfordct.gov
Political Party: Democrat
Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons
Position: Community Member



Elizabeth A. Van Caloen
Start: Oct 29, 2025 **End:** Dec 01, 2027
Replacing: Collins
Political Party: Republican
Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons
Position: Community Member



Lou Chen
Start: Apr 07, 2025 **End:** Dec 01, 2025
Political Party: Democrat
Replacing: Cooper
Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons
Position: Arts Community Member



Sarah A King
Start: Apr 07, 2025 **End:** Dec 01, 2025
Political Party: Democrat
Replacing: Varamo
Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons
Position: Arts Community Member

Current Vacancies

No Current Vacancies

Upcoming Vacancies



Ellen Gordon
Term Ends: Dec 01, 2026
City of Stamford Email: egordon@stamfordct.gov
Replacing: Etter
Political Party: Democrat
Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons
Position: Arts Community Member



Abraham Viera
Term Ends: Dec 01, 2026

City of Stamford Email: aviera@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Republican

Replacing: Cuscuna

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Position: Arts Community Member



Michael E. Moran

Term Ends: Dec 01, 2026

City of Stamford Email: mmoran@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Republican

Replacing: Reappointment

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Position: Arts Community Member

BOARD OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS

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Board of Assessment Appeals

The Board of Assessment Appeals hearings for motor vehicles on the 2023 Grand List will be conducted in September 2024. Please check back in August 2024 for more information.

The Board of Assessment Appeals is an official municipal agency. It is designed to serve as an appeal body for taxpayers who believe that town or city assessors erred in the valuation of their properties or erroneously denied them exemptions. The Board is composed of persons who have been appointed by the Mayor of Stamford. The Board enables taxpayers to be heard by their peers at no expense. No fees are charged for the appeal process. Furthermore, taxpayers do not have to be represented by counsel.

Visit the City of Stamford website for minutes, agendas, and more information.

<https://www.stamfordct.gov/government/boards-commissions/board-of-assessment-appeals>

Details

Term Length: 3 Years

Member Size: 5

Current Appointments (5)



Raymond Leyden

Start: Dec 02, 2024 **End:** Dec 01, 2027

City of Stamford Email: rleyden@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Republican

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Larry F Ginsberg

Start: Apr 06, 2026 **End:** Dec 01, 2028

City of Stamford Email: lginsberg@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Democrat

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Jim Fleischer

Start: Feb 06, 2023 **End:** Dec 01, 2025

City of Stamford Email: jfleischer@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Democrat

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Daniel J Lax

Start: Mar 02, 2026 **End:** Dec 01, 2026

Replacing: Dougherty

Political Party: Unaffiliated

City of Stamford Email: dlax@stamfordct.gov

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Edward Laux

Start: Feb 06, 2023 **End:** Dec 01, 2025

Political Party: Republican
Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Current Vacancies

No Current Vacancies

Upcoming Vacancies



Daniel J Lax

Term Ends: Dec 01, 2026

Replacing: Dougherty

Political Party: Unaffiliated

City of Stamford Email: dlax@stamfordct.gov

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Thomas Dougherty

Term Ends: Dec 01, 2026

City of Stamford Email: tdougherty@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Republican

Replacing: Dougherty

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

BOARD OF ETHICS

The Board of Ethics is a 9-member board (7 Regular & 2 Alternates) appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the Board of Representatives. The Board has the responsibility of investigating any complaints of violation of the Stamford Code of Ethics by an officer or employee of the City government. Officers include elected and appointed officials. In addition, the Board, when requested, issues Advisory Opinions to officers or employees of the City who seek guidance about their contemplated actions which might be considered a violation of the Code.

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<https://www.stamfordct.gov/government/boards-commissions/board-of-ethics>

Details

Contact Name: Kimberly Hawreluk
Contact Email: Boardofethics@stamfordct.gov
Contact Phone: (203) 977-4172
Term Length: 3 Years
Member Size: 9

Current Appointments (8)



Janibell Comerford

Start: May 06, 2024 **End:** Dec 01, 2026
City of Stamford Email: jcomerford@stamfordct.gov
Political Party: Unaffiliated
Replacing: Springer (R)
Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons
Position: ALTERNATE



Kevin j Quinn

Start: May 06, 2024 **End:** Dec 01, 2025
City of Stamford Email: kquinn@stamfordct.gov
Political Party: Democrat
Replacing: Thomas
Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons
Position: ALTERNATE



Benjamin Folkinshteyn

Start: Dec 01, 2023 **End:** Dec 01, 2026
City of Stamford Email: bfolkinshteyn@stamfordct.gov
Political Party: Unaffiliated
Replacing: Martelli
Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Dennis Torres

Start: Mar 02, 2026 **End:** Dec 01, 2028
City of Stamford Email: dtorres@stamfordct.gov
Political Party: Democrat

Replacing: Sessa
Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Vito Quivelli
Start: May 06, 2024 **End:** Dec 01, 2026
City of Stamford Email: vquivelli@stamfordct.gov
Political Party: Republican
Replacing: Smyth (D)
Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Ira Stechel
Start: Jul 05, 2023 **End:** Dec 01, 2025
City of Stamford Email: istechel@stamfordct.gov
Political Party: Republican
Replacing: Morgan
Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Laura Indellicati
Start: Dec 01, 2023 **End:** Dec 01, 2026
City of Stamford Email: lindellicati@stamfordct.gov
Political Party: Democrat
Replacing: Hynes
Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Evan Guttman
Start: Nov 10, 2025 **End:** Dec 01, 2027
Replacing: Springer (R)
Political Party: Republican
City of Stamford Email: eguttman@stamfordct.gov
Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Current Vacancies



Immediate Vacancy **Term Ends:** N/A
Replacing: Dzujna

Upcoming Vacancies



Janibell Comerford
Term Ends: Dec 01, 2026
City of Stamford Email: jcomerford@stamfordct.gov
Political Party: Unaffiliated
Replacing: Springer (R)
Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Benjamin Folkinshteyn
Term Ends: Dec 01, 2026
City of Stamford Email: bfolkinshteyn@stamfordct.gov
Political Party: Unaffiliated
Replacing: Martelli



Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Vito Quivelli

Term Ends: Dec 01, 2026

City of Stamford Email: vquivelli@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Republican

Replacing: Smyth (D)



Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Laura Indellicati

Term Ends: Dec 01, 2026

City of Stamford Email: lindellicati@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Democrat

Replacing: Hynes

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

CAMERA REVIEW COMMITTEE

The Public Safety Camera Review Committee ("CRC") is charged with upholding and enforcing Chapter 7 of the City of Stamford Code of Ordinances. The Committee consists of the Mayor or his or her designee, the Director of Public Health & Safety or his or her designee, the President of the Board of Representatives or his or her designee, and two members of the public. The two members of the public shall be appointed by the Mayor and approved by the Board of Representatives.

The Code of Ordinances states that a CCTV Camera or Feed location shall be approved by the CRC by following and applying the Policies and Procedures Manual as established and approved by the Board of Representatives. A link to the Manual can be found using the link on the left.

The CRC meets occasionally as the requests for approvals, and reviews of policies, warrant.

Applications for approved camera sites can be made by the members of the public, elected City representatives, and City of Stamford employees.

Visit the City of Stamford website for minutes, agendas, and more information.

<https://www.stamfordct.gov/government/boards-commissions/camera-review-committee>

Details

Contact Name: Kathy Ruther

Contact Email: kruther@stamfordct.gov

Member Size: 5

Current Appointments (5)



Eva Maldonado

Start: May 01, 2023 **End:** Dec 01, 2025

City of Stamford Email: emaldonado@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Republican

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Position: At-Large



Louis Derubeis

Start: Oct 03, 2022 **End:** Nov 30, 2025

City of Stamford Email: lderubeis@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Democrat

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Position: Director of Public Safety



Paul Waldron

Start: Dec 01, 2022 **End:** Dec 01, 2025

City of Stamford Email: pwaldron@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Republican

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Position: At-Large



Rodney Bass

Start: N/A **End:** Nov 30, 2025

City of Stamford Email: rbass@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Unaffiliated

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Position: Mayor's Designee



Cara Gilbride

Start: Dec 01, 2025 **End:** Dec 01, 2029

Replacing: Grunberger

Political Party: Democrat

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Position: BOR Designee

Current Vacancies

No Current Vacancies

Upcoming Vacancies

No upcoming vacancies

CITATION HEARING OFFICERS

Details

Term Length: 2 Years

Member Size: 0

Current Appointments (3)



Donald Sherer

Start: May 05, 2014 **End:** Dec 01, 2018

City of Stamford Email: dsherer@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Republican

Appointing Authority: David R. Martin



Mark Diamond

Start: Dec 02, 2016 **End:** Dec 01, 2018

City of Stamford Email: mdiamond@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Democrat

Appointing Authority: David R. Martin



Christopher Weed

Start: Apr 01, 2024 **End:** Dec 01, 2027

City of Stamford Email: cweed@stamfordct.gov

Position: City Employee

Current Vacancies

No Current Vacancies

Upcoming Vacancies

No upcoming vacancies

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Economic Development provides rich business resources for the creation, growth and recruitment of companies, new business, organizations and real estate development in the City; promotes the expansion of existing industry by providing assistance to businesses seeking to improve or expand their scope of business activity in Stamford; promotes retention of existing business by assisting small and large businesses, as well as supporting women, veteran and minority-owned businesses; promotes tourism within the City; is the point of coordination for new businesses considering Stamford and oversees intergovernmental relations and management of the City's federal and State lobbying services.

Visit the City of Stamford website for minutes, agendas, and more information.
<https://www.stamfordct.gov/government/boards-commissions/economic-development-commission>

Details

Contact Name: Leah Kagan

Contact Email: lkagan@stamfordct.gov

Term Length: 3 Years

Member Size: 5

Current Appointments (5)



Kenny Green

Start: Nov 07, 2022 **End:** Dec 01, 2025

City of Stamford Email: kgreen@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Democrat

Replacing: Huerta

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



John J Louizos

Start: Dec 02, 2024 **End:** Dec 02, 2027

City of Stamford Email: jlouizos@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Democrat

Replacing: Winkel

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Richard Evanko

Start: Jan 29, 2025 **End:** Dec 01, 2025

Replacing: Feeney

Political Party: Republican

City of Stamford Email: revanko@StamfordCT.gov

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Stephen B Fischer

Start: Dec 02, 2022 **End:** Dec 01, 2025

City of Stamford Email: sfischer@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Republican

Replacing: Reappointment

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Beth Fraikorn

Start: Jan 29, 2025 **End:** Dec 01, 2025

Replacing: Diamond

Political Party: Independent

City of Stamford Email: bfraikorn@stamfordct.gov

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Current Vacancies

No Current Vacancies

Upcoming Vacancies

No upcoming vacancies

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION BOARD

The Environmental Protection Board (EPB) is organized by ordinance as a multi-purpose City agency combining the duties and responsibilities of:

Local Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Agency
A local Conservation Commission
A local Flood and Erosion Control Board

The board consists of 5 Regular Members and 3 Alternate Members.

Visit the City of Stamford website for minutes, agendas, and more information.
<https://www.stamfordct.gov/government/operations/environmental-protection-board>

Details

Contact Name: Robert Clausi

Contact Email: rclausi@stamfordct.gov

Term Length: 3 Years

Member Size: 8

Current Appointments (7)



Laura Tessier

Start: Jan 29, 2025 **End:** Dec 01, 2025

City of Stamford Email: ltessier@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Democrat

Replacing: Rosenfeld

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Gary H Stone

Start: Nov 19, 2024 **End:** Dec 01, 2026

City of Stamford Email: gstone@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Republican

Replacing: Reappointment

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Position: Chair



Joseph Gambino

Start: Sep 08, 2020 **End:** Dec 01, 2021

City of Stamford Email: jgambino@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Republican

Replacing: Levine

Appointing Authority: David R. Martin



Thomas Romas

Start: Dec 03, 2023 **End:** Dec 01, 2026

City of Stamford Email: tromas@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Republican

Replacing: Spaulding

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Position: ALTERNATE



Leigh Shemitz

Start: Dec 01, 2022 **End:** Dec 01, 2025

City of Stamford Email: lshemitz@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Democrat

Replacing: Mills

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Stefania Payares Arteaga

Start: Aug 04, 2025 **End:** Dec 01, 2025

Replacing: Schneider

Political Party: Unaffiliated

City of Stamford Email: sartaega@stamfordct.gov

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Position: ALTERNATE



Katherine A Duffy

Start: Aug 04, 2025 **End:** Dec 01, 2027

Replacing: Kozlowski

Political Party: Democrat

City of Stamford Email: kduffy@stamfordct.gov

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Position: ALTERNATE

Current Vacancies



Immediate Vacancy Term Ends: Dec 01, 2027

Replacing: Schneider

Upcoming Vacancies



Gary H Stone

Term Ends: Dec 01, 2026

City of Stamford Email: gstone@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Republican

Replacing: Reappointment

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Position: Chair



Thomas Romas

Term Ends: Dec 01, 2026

City of Stamford Email: tromas@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Republican

Replacing: Spaulding

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Position: ALTERNATE

FIRE COMMISSION

Visit the City of Stamford website for minutes, agendas, and more information.
<https://www.stamfordct.gov/government/boards-commissions/fire-commission>

Details

Contact Name: Barbara Murphy

Contact Phone: (203) 977-4785

Term Length: 3 Years

Member Size: 5

Current Appointments (5)



Maria Linares

Start: Feb 06, 2023 **End:** Nov 30, 2025

City of Stamford Email: mlinares@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Republican

Replacing: Hill

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Chris Munger

Start: Jan 03, 2022 **End:** Nov 30, 2025

City of Stamford Email: cmunger@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Republican

Replacing: Lodato

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Craig Baker

Start: Jan 03, 2022 **End:** Nov 30, 2025

City of Stamford Email: cbaker@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Unaffiliated

Replacing: Holmes

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Constance Hubbard

Start: Dec 01, 2022 **End:** Nov 30, 2025

City of Stamford Email: chubbard@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Democrat

Replacing: Perry

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Geoff Alswanger

Start: Dec 01, 2022 **End:** Nov 30, 2025

City of Stamford Email: galswanger@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Democrat

Replacing: Lyons

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Current Vacancies

No Current Vacancies

Upcoming Vacancies

No upcoming vacancies

GOLF COMMISSION (E. GAYNOR BRENNAN)

Visit the City of Stamford website for minutes, agendas, and more information.

<https://www.stamfordct.gov/government/boards-commissions/golf-commission-e-gaynor-brennan>

Details

Contact Name: Hidalgo Nagashima

Contact Email: hnagashima@stamfordct.gov

Contact Phone: (203) 977-5694

Term Length: 3 Years

Member Size: 5

Current Appointments (5)



Myron J Smith

Start: Jan 29, 2025 **End:** Dec 01, 2027

Replacing: Tedesco

Political Party: Democrat

City of Stamford Email: msmith@stamfordct.gov

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Kenneth Considine

Start: Aug 05, 2024 **End:** Dec 01, 2026

Political Party: Democrat

Replacing: Brantner

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Robert Judge

Start: Jan 06, 2025 **End:** Dec 01, 2027

City of Stamford Email: rjudge@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Republican

Replacing: Lindstrom

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Position: Chair



Michael Briscoe

Start: Feb 26, 2026 **End:** Dec 01, 2028

City of Stamford Email: mbriscoe@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Democrat

Replacing: Graziosi

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Susan M Flinn

Start: Mar 03, 2025 **End:** Dec 01, 2027

Replacing: Ripegno

City of Stamford Email: sflinn@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Republican

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Current Vacancies

No Current Vacancies

Upcoming Vacancies



Kenneth Considine

Term Ends: Dec 01, 2026

Political Party: Democrat

Replacing: Brantner

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

HARBOR MANAGEMENT COMMISSION

The Stamford Harbor Management Commission regulates and monitors waterfront development, encourages the retention of waterfront industries recreational uses in all parts of Stamford Harbor.

The commission consists of 7 Regular Members and 2 Alternate Members. Three of the members must be active members of the boating community and meet the following criteria:

- (1) a member from the Ponus Yacht Club;
- (2) a member from the Halloween Yacht Club;
- (3) a member from the Stamford Yacht Club.
- (4) a member must be in compliance at a City marina;
- (5) a member of a conservation/preservation organization;
- (6 and 7) at large.

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<https://www.stamfordct.gov/government/boards-commissions/harbor-management-commission>

Details

Contact Name: Maria Vazquez-Gonclaves

Contact Phone: (203) 977-5087

Term Length: 3 Years

Member Size: 9

Current Appointments (10)



Damian Ortelli

Start: Apr 07, 2025 **End:** Dec 01, 2027

City of Stamford Email: dortelli@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Republican

Replacing: Bartley

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Position: Chair



Russ Hollander

Start: Dec 02, 2024 **End:** Dec 01, 2027

City of Stamford Email: rhollander@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Democrat

Replacing: Loeb

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Position: ALTERNATE



Yale Greenman

Start: N/A **End:** N/A

City of Stamford Email: harbormaster@stamfordct.gov

Appointing Authority: Governor Ned Lamont

Position: Harbor Master



Josef Graham

Start: Dec 02, 2024 **End:** Dec 01, 2027
City of Stamford Email: jgraham@stamfordct.gov
Political Party: Democrat
Replacing: Redniss
Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons
Position: Environmentalist



Michael Pensiero

Start: Dec 02, 2024 **End:** Dec 01, 2027
City of Stamford Email: mpensiero@stamfordct.gov
Political Party: Unaffiliated
Replacing: Strada
Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons
Position: At-Large
Office/Role: Secretary



Paul Adelberg

Start: Dec 02, 2022 **End:** Dec 01, 2025
City of Stamford Email: padelberg@stamfordct.gov
Political Party: Democrat
Replacing: Reappointment
Appointing Authority: David R. Martin
Position: Halloween Yacht Club



Robert M Karp

Start: Dec 02, 2023 **End:** Dec 01, 2026
City of Stamford Email: rkarp@stamfordct.gov
Political Party: Democrat
Replacing: Sobel
Appointing Authority: David R. Martin
Position: At-Large



Samuel Abernethy

Start: Dec 02, 2022 **End:** Dec 01, 2025
City of Stamford Email: sabernethy@stamfordct.gov
Political Party: Unaffiliated
Replacing: Lee
Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



John Malloy

Start: Feb 03, 2025 **End:** Dec 01, 2025
Replacing: Malloy
Political Party: Democrat
City of Stamford Email: jmalloy@stamfordct.gov
Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons
Position: Ponus Yacht Club



James E Malerba

Start: Mar 03, 2025 **End:** Dec 01, 2026
Replacing: Demmo
Political Party: Republican
City of Stamford Email: jmalerba@stamfordct.gov
Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons
Position: ALTERNATE

Current Vacancies

No Current Vacancies

Upcoming Vacancies



Robert M Karp

Term Ends: Dec 01, 2026

City of Stamford Email: rkarp@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Democrat

Replacing: Sobel

Appointing Authority: David R. Martin

Position: At-Large



James E Malerba

Term Ends: Dec 01, 2026

Replacing: Demmo

Political Party: Republican

City of Stamford Email: jmalerba@stamfordct.gov

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Position: ALTERNATE

HEALTH COMMISSION

The Health Commission is a five-member Board appointed by the mayor and approved by the Board of Representatives. Their function is to assist the Health Director in formulating health policies for the City. They are also able to look into new policies and avenues of service for the Health Department as well as hear and act on appeals of decisions made by the Health Department. Their terms run 3 years after which they need to be reappointed by the Mayor.

Visit the City of Stamford website for minutes, agendas, and more information.
<https://www.stamfordct.gov/government/boards-commissions/health-commission>

Details

Contact Email: Healthcommission@stamfordct.gov

Term Length: 3 Years

Member Size: 5

Current Appointments (5)



Tabitha Fortt

Start: Dec 02, 2024 **End:** Dec 01, 2027

Political Party: Democrat

Replacing: Decker

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Marc Peyser

Start: Apr 03, 2023 **End:** Dec 01, 2025

City of Stamford Email: mpeyser@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Democrat

Replacing: Trinh

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Thomas R Getreuer

Start: Dec 02, 2022 **End:** Dec 01, 2025

City of Stamford Email: tgetreuer@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Democrat

Replacing: Ballin

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Douglas L. York, Phd., Mph

Start: Apr 03, 2023 **End:** Dec 01, 2025

Political Party: Republican

Replacing: Parry

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Lorraine Olson

Start: Dec 02, 2024 **End:** Dec 01, 2027

City of Stamford Email: lolson@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Republican

Replacing: Cobb

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Current Vacancies

No Current Vacancies

Upcoming Vacancies

No upcoming vacancies

HISTORIC PRESERVATION ADVISORY COMMISSION

The Historic Preservation Advisory Commission (HPAC) was established in 2013 after an amendment of the City's Charter.

The duties of HPAC are to:

- Advise officials, boards, commissions and departments of the City of Stamford regarding the protection of local cultural resources;
 - Recommend properties and sites for the designation of historic districts or landmarks;
 - Liaise on behalf of City of Stamford with individuals and organizations concerned with historic preservation;
 - Advise on the design of structures, improvements and cultural resources in the city's historic districts, as well as those adjacent to historical properties.
 - Catalogue the cultural resources in Stamford;
 - Educate Stamford residents about historic preservation issues and concerns.
- The commission shall consist of 5 Regular Members and 3 Alternate Members.

Visit the City of Stamford website for minutes, agendas, and more information.

<https://www.stamfordct.gov/government/boards-commissions/historic-preservation-advisory-commission>

Details

Contact Name: Ralph G. Blessing

Contact Phone: (203) 977-4714

Term Length: 5 Years

Member Size: 8

Current Appointments (4)



John Verni

Start: Oct 22, 2024 **End:** Dec 01, 2027

City of Stamford Email: JVerni@StamfordCT.gov

Replacing: Oberwetter

Political Party: Unaffiliated

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Brian Gaudet

Start: Oct 22, 2024 **End:** Dec 01, 2026

Replacing: Shannonhouse

Political Party: Democrat

City of Stamford Email: BGaudet@StamfordCT.gov

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Nicholas A Ponzo

Start: Nov 10, 2025 **End:** Dec 01, 2027

Replacing: Hersh

Political Party: Democrat

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Jenifer D Bloodsworth

Start: Apr 29, 2025 **End:** Dec 01, 2027

City of Stamford Email: jbloodsworth@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Democrat

Replacing: Woods

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Current Vacancies



Immediate Vacancy Term Ends: Dec 01, 2029

Political Party: Democrat

Replacing: Oberwetter

Position: ALTERNATE



Immediate Vacancy Term Ends: N/A

Political Party: Republican

Replacing: Lombardo (R)



Immediate Vacancy Term Ends: Dec 02, 2028

Replacing: Fishman

Political Party: Unaffiliated

Position: ALTERNATE



Immediate Vacancy Term Ends: Dec 02, 2028

Replacing: Shannonhouse

Political Party: Democrat

City of Stamford Email: RShannonhouse@StamfordCT.gov

Position: ALTERNATE

Upcoming Vacancies



Brian Gaudet

Term Ends: Dec 01, 2026

Replacing: Shannonhouse

Political Party: Democrat

City of Stamford Email: BGaudet@StamfordCT.gov

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

HOUSING AUTHORITY - CHARTER OAK COMMUNITIES

Details

Term Length: 5 Years

Member Size: 5

Current Appointments (5)



Richard Ostuw

Start: Nov 30, 2020 **End:** Dec 01, 2025

Appointing Authority: David R. Martin



Sheila Brown Williams

Start: Dec 01, 2014 **End:** Feb 01, 2019

Appointing Authority: David R. Martin



Bianca Shinn-Desra

Start: Aug 12, 2021 **End:** Dec 01, 2025

Appointing Authority: David R. Martin



Lester McCoy

Start: Jul 16, 2019 **End:** Dec 01, 2024

Appointing Authority: David R. Martin



John Coff

Start: Jan 20, 2023 **End:** Dec 01, 2027

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Current Vacancies

No Current Vacancies

Upcoming Vacancies

No upcoming vacancies

PARKING VIOLATIONS HEARING OFFICERS

The Parking Violations Hearing Board is responsible for reviewing and parking ticket appeals made by residents. Appeals are held in the sixth-floor training room at 5:00 p.m.

Visit the City of Stamford website for minutes, agendas, and more information.
<https://www.stamfordct.gov/government/boards-commissions/parking-violations-hearing-board>

Details

Term Length: 2 Years

Member Size: 2

Current Appointments (5)



George Christiansen

Start: Dec 01, 2015 **End:** Dec 01, 2017

City of Stamford Email: gchristiansen@StamfordCT.gov

Political Party: Republican

Replacing: Reappointment

Appointing Authority: David R. Martin



Alan Sosnowitz

Start: Dec 01, 2012 **End:** Dec 01, 2014

City of Stamford Email: asosnowitz@StamfordCT.gov

Political Party: Unaffiliated

Replacing: Reappointment

Appointing Authority: David R. Martin



Robert King

Start: Dec 01, 2018 **End:** Dec 01, 2020

City of Stamford Email: rking@StamfordCT.gov

Political Party: Democrat

Replacing: Reappointment

Appointing Authority: David R. Martin



Salvatore Ladestro

Start: Dec 01, 2014 **End:** Dec 01, 2016

City of Stamford Email: sladestro@StamfordCT.gov

Political Party: Democrat

Replacing: Reappointment

Appointing Authority: David R. Martin



Lori Legierse

Start: Apr 05, 2021 **End:** Dec 01, 2022

City of Stamford Email: llegierse@StamfordCT.gov

Political Party: Democrat

Replacing: Reappointment

Appointing Authority: David R. Martin

Current Vacancies

No Current Vacancies

Upcoming Vacancies

No upcoming vacancies

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

The Parks & Recreation Commission's objective is to oversee the policies and procedures for the administration and management of parks and programs in the City of Stamford. In addition, they oversee the care and maintenance of parks and advocate for the preservation and expansion of green space and natural resources within the City.

The Commission meets monthly on the third Wednesday of the month and welcomes public feedback at their meetings.

Visit the City of Stamford website for minutes, agendas, and more information.
<https://www.stamfordct.gov/government/boards-commissions/parks-and-recreation-commission>

Details

Contact Name: Kevin Murray

Contact Email: kmurray@stamfordCT.gov

Contact Phone: (203) 977-4606

Term Length: 3 Years

Member Size: 5

Current Appointments (5)



Michael Tedder

Start: Dec 02, 2024 **End:** Dec 01, 2027

City of Stamford Email: mtedder@StamfordCT.gov

Political Party: Republican

Replacing: Andreana

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Benjamin Pomerantz

Start: Dec 02, 2024 **End:** Dec 01, 2027

City of Stamford Email: bpomerantz@StamfordCT.gov

Political Party: Democrat

Replacing: Katz

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Paul Newman

Start: Dec 01, 2022 **End:** Dec 01, 2025

City of Stamford Email: mnewman@StamfordCT.gov

Political Party: Democrat

Replacing: Ruijter

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Angela Adetola

Start: Dec 01, 2023 **End:** Dec 01, 2026

City of Stamford Email: aadetola@StamfordCT.gov

Political Party: Unaffiliated

Replacing: Brown

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Shriya Nadella

Start: Apr 06, 2026 **End:** Dec 01, 2028

Political Party: Unaffiliated

Replacing: Hollas

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Current Vacancies

No Current Vacancies

Upcoming Vacancies



Angela Adetola

Term Ends: Dec 01, 2026

City of Stamford Email: aadetola@StamfordCT.gov

Political Party: Unaffiliated

Replacing: Brown

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

PATRIOTIC AND SPECIAL EVENTS COMMISSION

Visit the City of Stamford website for minutes, agendas, and more information.
<https://www.stamfordct.gov/government/boards-commissions/patriotic-special-events>

Details

Term Length: 3 Years

Member Size: 5

Current Appointments (5)



Gian Paolo Marchetti

Start: Aug 04, 2025 **End:** Dec 01, 2027

Political Party: Republican

Replacing: Degruittola

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Thomas R Bouchard

Start: Feb 03, 2025 **End:** Dec 01, 2026

Political Party: Democrat

City of Stamford Email: tbouchard@stamfordct.gov

Replacing: Kaplan

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Steve Urso

Start: Apr 07, 2025 **End:** Dec 01, 2026

City of Stamford Email: surso@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Democrat

Replacing: Mehta

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Charles A Paksi

Start: Apr 07, 2025 **End:** Dec 01, 2027

City of Stamford Email: cpaksi@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Republican

Replacing: Gonzalez

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Position: Veteran



Seth I Lapine

Start: Apr 07, 2025 **End:** Dec 01, 2027

Replacing: Delaney

Political Party: Democrat

City of Stamford Email: slapine@StamfordCT.gov

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Position: Veteran

Current Vacancies

No Current Vacancies

Upcoming Vacancies



Thomas R Bouchard

Term Ends: Dec 01, 2026

Political Party: Democrat

City of Stamford Email: tbouchard@stamfordct.gov

Replacing: Kaplan



Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Steve Urso

Term Ends: Dec 01, 2026

City of Stamford Email: surso@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Democrat

Replacing: Mehta



Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Sulabh Mehta

Term Ends: Dec 01, 2026

City of Stamford Email: smehta@StamfordCT.gov

Political Party: Unaffiliated

Replacing: Shellman

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Position: Veteran

PERSONNEL COMMISSION

The Personnel Commission consist of five members to serve overlapping terms of three years, to be appointed by the Mayor and approved by the Board of Representatives on accordance with the provisions of the City Charter. The organization, authority and duties of the Personnel Commission are established by Section C6-140-1 through Section C6-140-12 of the City Charter.

Visit the City of Stamford website for minutes, agendas, and more information.
<https://www.stamfordct.gov/government/boards-commissions/personnel-commission>

Details

Contact Name: Beatriz Nieves

Contact Email: BNieves@StamfordCT.gov

Term Length: 3 Years

Member Size: 5

Current Appointments (5)



Marc Teichman

Start: Aug 04, 2025 **End:** Dec 01, 2026

City of Stamford Email: mteichman@StamfordCT.gov

Political Party: Independent

Replacing: Reappointment

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Lynn Arnow

Start: Aug 01, 2022 **End:** Dec 01, 2025

City of Stamford Email: larnow@StamfordCT.gov

Political Party: Republican

Replacing: Adamson

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Isobel Bonar

Start: May 01, 2023 **End:** Dec 01, 2025

Replacing: Main

Political Party: Unaffiliated

City of Stamford Email: ibonar@StamfordCT.gov

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Stuart Adelberg

Start: N/A **End:** Dec 01, 2025

Political Party: Democrat

Replacing: Weinberg

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Jaclyn Williams

Start: Dec 02, 2023 **End:** Dec 01, 2026

City of Stamford Email: jwilliams@StamfordCT.gov

Political Party: Democrat

Replacing: Nanos
Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Current Vacancies

No Current Vacancies

Upcoming Vacancies



Marc Teichman

Term Ends: Dec 01, 2026

City of Stamford Email: mteichman@StamfordCT.gov

Political Party: Independent

Replacing: Reappointment

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Jaclyn Williams

Term Ends: Dec 01, 2026

City of Stamford Email: jwilliams@StamfordCT.gov

Political Party: Democrat

Replacing: Nanos

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

PLANNING BOARD

Who are we?

The Planning Board prepares the City's Master Plan and drafts the Capital Budget. It consists of five voting members and up to three alternates, all of whom are appointed by the Mayor. Members serve for four years in staggered terms. All members of the City's Planning Board are volunteers, and meet on average twice a month.

What do we do?

The Planning Board is responsible for planning and coordinating the development of the City. The Board has two main tools to plan for the City's future. The Master Plan is a vision, policy and implementation plan that guides the City forward. Based on the analysis of existing conditions and anticipated needs, it is a comprehensive plan that addresses economic development, transportation and mobility sustainability and other issues.

The second tool the Planning Board has available is the Capital Budget . The Capital Budget lays out the City's investments in streets, schools, parks and other infrastructure and facilities. The Planning Board drafts the Capital Budget which is then reviewed and approved by the Mayor, the Board of Finance and the Board of Representatives. Other responsibilities include maintaining the City's official map, review of subdivision applications, etc.

Who do we work with?

The Land Use Bureau provides technical support to the Planning Board. Developers and homeowners come to the Board for subdivision approvals. For the Master Plan, the Board reaches out to the public for their input. As part of the Capital Budget, the Board works with virtually all City agencies and many of the other Boards.

The board shall consist of 5 Regular Members and 3 Alternate Members.

Visit the City of Stamford website for minutes, agendas, and more information.
<https://www.stamfordct.gov/government/boards-commissions/planning-board>

Details

Contact Name: Lindsey Cohen

Contact Phone: (203) 977-4388

Term Length: 3 Years

Member Size: 8

Current Appointments (6)



Ashley Ley

Start: Apr 06, 2026 **End:** Dec 01, 2028

Political Party: Democrat

Replacing: Levin

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Ravi Subramanian

Start: Jul 08, 2024 **End:** Dec 01, 2026

City of Stamford Email: rsubramanian@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Unaffiliated

Replacing: Dell (R)
Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons
Position: Secretary



Jennifer Godzeno
Start: Jan 04, 2021 **End:** Dec 01, 2021
City of Stamford Email: jgodzeno@StamfordCT.gov
Political Party: Working Families Party
Replacing: Quick
Appointing Authority: David R. Martin
Position: Chair



Chester Salit
Start: Apr 06, 2026 **End:** Dec 01, 2026
City of Stamford Email: csalit@stamfordct.gov
Political Party: Democrat
Replacing: Tepper (D)
Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Drew Mckay
Start: Apr 06, 2026 **End:** Dec 01, 2027
Political Party: Independent
Replacing: Quick
Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Jeremy S Linder
Start: Apr 07, 2025 **End:** Dec 01, 2025
Replacing: Tunga (R)
Political Party: Republican
City of Stamford Email: JLinder@StamfordCT.gov
Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Current Vacancies



Immediate Vacancy **Term Ends:** Dec 01, 2026
Replacing: Salit



Immediate Vacancy **Term Ends:** Dec 02, 2022
Political Party: Democrat
City of Stamford Email: mbuccino@StamfordCT.gov
Appointing Authority: David R. Martin

Upcoming Vacancies



Ravi Subramanian
Term Ends: Dec 01, 2026
City of Stamford Email: rsubramanian@stamfordct.gov
Political Party: Unaffiliated
Replacing: Dell (R)
Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Position: Secretary
Chester Salit
Term Ends: Dec 01, 2026
City of Stamford Email: csalit@StamfordCT.gov
Political Party: Democrat
Replacing: Perry (D)
Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Position: ALTERNATE
Chester Salit
Term Ends: Dec 01, 2026
City of Stamford Email: csalit@stamfordct.gov
Political Party: Democrat
Replacing: Tepper (D)
Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

POLICE COMMISSION

Meetings are generally held on the first Monday of each month, held at Police Headquarters in the Community Room and begin at 5:00pm.

The Stamford Police Department will accept complaints against employees in writing, verbal, in person, by mail, by telephone, by facsimile, electronic, or anonymous. Our address is 725 Bedford Street, Stamford, CT, 06901. The phone number to the Internal Affairs Unit is (203) 977-4777. The most efficient way to file a complaint is through the Stamford Police Department website, www.stamfordct.gov/police, once on the site view "Quick Links" and open a "Citizen Complaint Form".

Visit the City of Stamford website for minutes, agendas, and more information.
<https://www.stamfordct.gov/government/boards-commissions/police-commission>

Details

Contact Name: Jamie Fiordelisi

Contact Email: jfiordelisi@stamfordct.gov

Contact Phone: (203) 977-4855

Term Length: 4 Years

Member Size: 5

Current Appointments (5)



Mary L Fedeli

Start: Feb 02, 2026 **End:** Dec 01, 2029

City of Stamford Email: mfedeli@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Republican

Replacing: Jackson

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Carlo Leone

Start: Dec 01, 2025 **End:** Dec 01, 2029

City of Stamford Email: cleone@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Democrat

Replacing: Findeisen

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Roberto Aveiro

Start: Dec 01, 2025 **End:** Dec 01, 2029

City of Stamford Email: raveiro@StamfordCT.gov

Political Party: Unaffiliated

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Michael Fedele

Start: Dec 01, 2025 **End:** Dec 01, 2029

City of Stamford Email: mfedele@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Republican

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Rodney Bass

Start: Dec 01, 2025 **End:** Dec 01, 2029

City of Stamford Email: rbass@StamfordCT.gov

Political Party: Independent

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Current Vacancies



Immediate Vacancy Term Ends: N/A

Replacing: Jackson

Upcoming Vacancies

No upcoming vacancies

SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE

The functions of the School Building Committee are set forth in Connecticut General Statutes (CGS) and State Board of Education Regulations (SBER). CGS 10-291 requires that plans for all state funded school building projects must be approved by the building committee of such town. SBER section 10-287c-21 requires that the school building committee approve final plans and cost estimates for school projects and the sites of such projects.

Visit the City of Stamford website for minutes, agendas, and more information.

<https://www.stamfordct.gov/government/boards-commissions/school-building-committee>

Details

Member Size: 8

Current Appointments (9)



Lou Casolo

Start: N/A **End:** N/A

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Office/Role: City Engineer



Matt Quinones

Start: N/A **End:** N/A

Office/Role: Director of Operations



Nancy Ormsby-Flynn

Start: Aug 04, 2014 **End:** Nov 30, 2025

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Office/Role: Licensed Architect



Mary Lou Rinaldi

Start: N/A **End:** N/A

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Office/Role: BOF Designee



Shawn Reed

Start: N/A **End:** N/A

Office/Role: Chief Building Inspector



Andy George

Start: N/A **End:** N/A

Appointing Authority: Board of Education

Office/Role: BOE Designee



Jeff Curtis

Start: Dec 01, 2021 **End:** N/A

Appointing Authority: President Jeff Curtis

Office/Role: BOR President



Ralph Blessing

Start: N/A **End:** N/A

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons
Office/Role: Planning Board Chair/Designee



Jackie B Heftman
Start: Jan 29, 2025 **End:** Dec 01, 2025
City of Stamford Email: jheftman@stamfordct.gov
Political Party: Democrat
Replacing: King
Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons
Position: At-Large

Current Vacancies

No Current Vacancies

Upcoming Vacancies

No upcoming vacancies

SOCIAL SERVICES COMMISSION

Visit the City of Stamford website for minutes, agendas, and more information.

<https://www.stamfordct.gov/government/boards-commissions/social-services-commission>

Details

Contact Name: Sharona Cowan

Contact Phone: (203) 977-4051

Term Length: 3 Years

Member Size: 5

Current Appointments (5)



Linda Gornitsky

Start: May 01, 2023 **End:** Dec 01, 2025

City of Stamford Email: lgornitsky@StamfordCT.gov

Political Party: Republican

Replacing: Ospina

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Shani Ben-Dov

Start: Oct 29, 2025 **End:** Dec 01, 2027

City of Stamford Email: sbendov@stamfordct.gov

Replacing: Lombardo

Political Party: Republican

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Lera Homer

Start: Jun 02, 2025 **End:** Dec 01, 2025

Replacing: Strother

Political Party: Democrat

City of Stamford Email: lhomer@stamfordct.gov

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Anne L Johnson

Start: May 07, 2025 **End:** Dec 01, 2027

Replacing: Petersen

Political Party: Democrat

City of Stamford Email: ajohnson@StamfordCT.gov

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Meghan A. H. Zimmerman

Start: Apr 07, 2025 **End:** Dec 01, 2027

Replacing: Temlock Teichman

Political Party: Democrat

City of Stamford Email: mzimmerman@StamfordCT.gov

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Current Vacancies

No Current Vacancies

Upcoming Vacancies

No upcoming vacancies

STAMFORD GOLF AUTHORITY (STERLING FARMS GC)

The Stamford Golf Authority is a nine-member Board set up by the City of Stamford to operate the Sterling Farms Golf Facility located on Newfield Avenue in Stamford. Sterling Farms has an 18-hole Municipal Golf Course, 44 Bay Golf Driving Range, 6 Tennis Courts, 2 restaurants and hosts live theater productions at the Curtain Call Theater. The facility is open, 12 months, weather permitting.

Visit the City of Stamford website for minutes, agendas, and more information.
<https://www.stamfordct.gov/government/boards-commissions/stamford-golf-authority>

Details

Term Length: 3 Years

Member Size: 9

Current Appointments (9)



Angelo Ripegno

Start: Feb 02, 2026 **End:** Dec 01, 2028

City of Stamford Email: aripegno@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Republican

Replacing: Masi

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Matthew Stendardi

Start: Jan 02, 2024 **End:** Dec 01, 2026

Political Party: Democrat

Replacing: Friedman

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Michael Miller

Start: Dec 01, 2022 **End:** Dec 01, 2025

Political Party: Republican

Replacing: Reappointment

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Carlton Thompson

Start: Jan 02, 2024 **End:** Dec 01, 2026

Political Party: Democrat

Replacing: Malloy

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Gina White

Start: Mar 02, 2026 **End:** Dec 02, 2028

Replacing: McGrath

Political Party: Republican

City of Stamford Email: gwhite@stamfordct.gov

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Katherine Taylor

Start: Oct 29, 2025 **End:** Dec 01, 2027

Replacing: Lionetti
Political Party: Democrat
Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Jesse Baker
Start: Aug 04, 2025 **End:** Dec 01, 2026
City of Stamford Email: jbaker@StamfordCT.gov
Political Party: Democrat
Replacing: Kapiloff
Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Perry W Gaa
Start: Aug 04, 2025 **End:** Dec 01, 2027
City of Stamford Email: pgaa@stamfordct.gov
Political Party: Unaffiliated
Replacing: Sachs-Lavery
Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Duffy Sasser
Start: Dec 05, 2022 **End:** Dec 01, 2025
Political Party: Republican
Replacing: Swatland
Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Current Vacancies

No Current Vacancies

Upcoming Vacancies



Matthew Stendardi
Term Ends: Dec 01, 2026
Political Party: Democrat
Replacing: Friedman
Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Carlton Thompson
Term Ends: Dec 01, 2026
Political Party: Democrat
Replacing: Malloy
Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Jesse Baker
Term Ends: Dec 01, 2026
City of Stamford Email: jbaker@StamfordCT.gov
Political Party: Democrat
Replacing: Kapiloff
Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

TRANSIT DISTRICT

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<https://www.stamfordct.gov/government/boards-commissions/stamford-transit-district>

Details

Contact Name: Maria Vazquez-Goncalves

Contact Phone: (203) 977-5087

Term Length: 4 Years

Member Size: 4

Current Appointments (4)



Jon Gallup

Start: Dec 01, 2017 **End:** Dec 01, 2021

Political Party: Democrat

Replacing: Reappointment

Appointing Authority: David R. Martin



Robert Figueroa

Start: Dec 01, 2017 **End:** Dec 01, 2021

Political Party: Democrat

Replacing: Liberatore

Appointing Authority: David R. Martin



Andrew Krill

Start: Apr 07, 2014 **End:** Dec 01, 2016

Political Party: Republican

Replacing: Ryan

Appointing Authority: David R. Martin



Matt Quinones

Start: Dec 01, 2021 **End:** Nov 30, 2025

Political Party: Democrat

Replacing: McGrath

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Office/Role: Director of Operations

Current Vacancies



Immediate Vacancy **Term Ends:** Dec 01, 2015

Upcoming Vacancies

No upcoming vacancies

URBAN REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

The Urban Redevelopment Commission is an agency created by the City of Stamford in 1954 that handles municipal development projects.

Members are appointed by the Mayor with the approval of the Board of Representatives for a five-year term. The powers and authorities of the Commission are conferred by the State and are described in the General Statutes.

The URC is authorized to prepare and/or approve plans for urban redevelopment and urban renewal projects, as well as certain other projects. Those plans must be approved by several City Boards, and ultimately by the Board of Finance and the Board of Representatives in order to become effective. The URC is designated as the Development Agency for the City of Stamford.

Generally, the URC serves as primary City entity for eminent domain matters. It has functioned on behalf of Stamford in its development of the downtown Central Business District (CBD) also known as the Downtown Special Services District (DSSD) as well as in the acquisition of properties for the Mill River Park Collaborative. Additionally, the URC has been instrumental in the preparation and use of Tax Incremental Financing (TIFs), on a limited basis, for the City of Stamford.

The URC serve as the municipal conduit in developing the Park Square West area in Stamford. This zone has seen the construction, and occupancy of several residential and commercial improvements. Moreover, the URC was the lead City Agency in the process that has building taking place at the former Hole in the Ground at Greyrock and Tresser Boulevard.

In February 2017, the Mayor and City Board of Representatives voted to place the URC into the Office of Economic Development for the City of Stamford. The URC continues its functions with the supplementary mandate of working to further enhance economic as well as community development on behalf of Stamford residents.

Mission Statement

The Stamford Urban Redevelopment Commission provides the critical leadership for the continuing innovative revitalization of the City.

Working in collaboration with the community, the Commission focuses on rehabilitating blighted areas; balancing population density and socio-economic diversity; promoting convenient affordable housing; enhancing pedestrian presence; improving the availability of suitable parking; expanding the job and tax base; and ensuring the attractiveness of buildings, open areas and urban infrastructure.

The successful result of the Commission's activities will enhance the appeal of the City as a dynamic community in which to live work and shop.

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Details

Contact Name: Theresa Bowen

Contact Phone: (203) 595-5381

Term Length: 5 Years

Member Size: 5

Current Appointments (5)



Kenny Green

Start: Nov 07, 2022 **End:** Dec 01, 2025

City of Stamford Email: kgreen@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Democrat

Replacing: Diamond

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Richard Evanko

Start: Jan 29, 2025 **End:** Dec 01, 2027

City of Stamford Email: revanko@StamfordCT.gov

Political Party: Republican

Replacing: Sciarretta

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Stephen B Fischer

Start: Dec 02, 2022 **End:** Dec 01, 2027

City of Stamford Email: sfischer@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Republican

Replacing: Reappointment

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Amanda J Dubois-mwake

Start: Mar 03, 2025 **End:** Dec 01, 2029

Replacing: Siladi

Political Party: Democrat

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Dolores B Concepcion

Start: Mar 07, 2025 **End:** Dec 01, 2027

City of Stamford Email: dconcepcion@StamfordCT.gov

Replacing: Pastore

Political Party: Democrat

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Current Vacancies

No Current Vacancies

Upcoming Vacancies

No upcoming vacancies

WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY

The WPCA Board of Directors includes the City of Stamford Director of Administration, the City of Stamford Director of Operations, Chairman of the City of Stamford Board of Finance (or his/her designee from the Board of Finance), the President of the City of Stamford Board of Representatives (or his/her designee from the Board of Representatives), and five at-large members appointed by the mayor and approved by the Board of Representatives. At least one of the at-large members must be an accountant or financial manager and at least one must be an engineer. City officials who become members of the WPCA Board of Directors shall retain this responsibility throughout their tenures in their non-WPCA positions as City officials. At-large members shall be appointed for three years.

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Details

Term Length: 3 Years

Member Size: 9

Current Appointments (8)



Steven Bagwin

Start: Mar 03, 2025 **End:** Dec 01, 2027

City of Stamford Email: sbagwin@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Republican

Replacing: Capano

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Position: At-Large



Robert Barocas

Start: Nov 19, 2024 **End:** Dec 01, 2027

Political Party: Democrat

Replacing: Huppert

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Position: At-Large



Matt Quinones

Start: Dec 01, 2025 **End:** Nov 30, 2029

Political Party: Democrat

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Office/Role: Director of Operations



Edward J. Kelly

Start: Nov 19, 2024 **End:** Dec 01, 2027

City of Stamford Email: ekelly@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Democrat

Replacing: Reappointment

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Position: At-Large



Ben Barnes

Start: Dec 01, 2025 **End:** Nov 30, 2029
Political Party: Democrat
Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons
Office/Role: Director of Administration



Michael Hoherchak
Start: Oct 22, 2024 **End:** Dec 01, 2025
Political Party: Democrat
Replacing: Nesin
Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons
Position: Engineer



Frank Salem
Start: Jun 05, 2023 **End:** Dec 01, 2025
Replacing: Perlaky (U)
Political Party: Republican
Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons
Position: Accountant



Amiel Goldberg
Start: Dec 01, 2025 **End:** Dec 01, 2029
Political Party: Democrat
Replacing: DiCostanzo
Office/Role: BOR Designee

Current Vacancies



Immediate Vacancy **Term Ends:** Dec 01, 2028
Replacing: Freedman
Political Party: Democrat
Appointing Authority: Board of Representatives
Office/Role: BOF Designee

Upcoming Vacancies

No upcoming vacancies

ZONING BOARD

Who are we?

The Zoning Board plays a critical role in shaping the city. It regulates the height, bulk and uses of property based on Stamford's Zoning Regulations and the city's Zoning Map. The Zoning Board is appointed by the Mayor and comprises of five regular members and three alternate members. The Zoning Board members are volunteers and are listed below.

What do we do?

The Zoning Board reviews applications for changes to the Zoning Map, Zoning Text, Special Exceptions, Site and Architectural Plans and Coastal Site Plans. The board conducts public hearings and administrative review of applications based on rules defined in the City Charter. The meetings are held in the cafeteria, 4th floor of the Government Center.

Who do we work with?

The Zoning Board is advised by the Land Use Bureau planning staff on the various applications. Depending on the nature of the application, the board receives referral comments on the applications from various City departments, Commissions and agencies including the Zoning Enforcement Officer, Fire Marshall, Department of Health, Engineering Bureau, Transportation Bureau, Harbor Management Commission, Historic Preservation Advisory Committee, Office of Long Island Sound, Harbor Management Commission, Western Connecticut Council of Government, Board of Representatives and neighboring towns. The Zoning Board consults with the City's Corporation Counsel on applications.

When should you talk to us?

You should contact the Land Use Bureau staff if you are interested in submitting an application to the Zoning Board for approval of a Site and Architectural Plan, Special Exception, Coastal Site Plan review or administrative review of a prior approval. You are encouraged to schedule a pre-application meeting where the Land Use Bureau staff who can provide guidance regarding the application requirements and the application review process.

The public is encouraged to participate in the review of applications during the public hearings conducted by the Zoning Board. View the schedule of Zoning Board meetings.

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Details

Contact Name: Courtney Fahan

Contact Phone: (203) 977-4719

Term Length: 3 Years

Member Size: 8

Current Appointments (6)



William Morris

Start: Mar 03, 2014 **End:** Dec 01, 2019

Political Party: Democrat

Replacing: Reappointment

Appointing Authority: David R. Martin



Keith Walker

Start: Apr 06, 2026 **End:** Dec 01, 2027

Political Party: Democrat

Replacing: Quick

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Gerry Bosak

Start: Apr 06, 2026 **End:** Dec 01, 2028

Political Party: Republican

Replacing: Quick/Vacancy

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



David Stein

Start: Mar 02, 2026 **End:** Dec 01, 2026

City of Stamford Email: dstein@StamfordCT.gov

Political Party: Democrat

Replacing: Parson

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Peter B Rustin

Start: Mar 02, 2026 **End:** Dec 01, 2027

Replacing: Smith-Anderson

Political Party: Democrat

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Position: ALTERNATE



Rosanne P Mcmanus

Start: Mar 02, 2026 **End:** Dec 01, 2027

City of Stamford Email: rmcmanus@stamfordct.gov

Political Party: Unaffiliated

Replacing: Consentini

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Current Vacancies



Immediate Vacancy Term Ends: N/A

Position: ALTERNATE



Immediate Vacancy Term Ends: Dec 02, 2026

Political Party: N/A

Replacing: Summons

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Position: ALTERNATE

Upcoming Vacancies



David Stein

Term Ends: Dec 01, 2026

City of Stamford Email: dstein@StamfordCT.gov

Political Party: Democrat
Replacing: Parson
Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

The primary function of the Zoning Board of Appeals is to consider variances of the zoning regulations where there is an unusual hardship with the land.

The board shall consist of 5 Regular Members and 3 Alternate Members.

Uses of property permitted under the zoning regulations but subject to the approval of the Board are considered under the heading of special exception. The Board also rules on appeals from the decisions of the Zoning Enforcement Officer. Whenever a variance or special exception application concerns property in the Coastal Area Management Area, the Board conducts a preliminary coastal site plan review on the matter. The Board also considers motor vehicle certificates of approval for dealer and repairer licenses and retail gasoline station permits. Zoning Board of Appeals decisions may be appealed to the Superior Court.

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Details

Contact Name: Mary Judge

Contact Phone: (203) 977-5704

Term Length: 3 Years

Member Size: 8

Current Appointments (6)



Ernie Matarasso

Start: Dec 04, 2025 **End:** Dec 01, 2028

Political Party: Democrat

Replacing: Reappointment

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Position: ALTERNATE



Lauren Jacobson

Start: Dec 02, 2023 **End:** Dec 01, 2026

Political Party: Democrat

Replacing: Savage

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



George Dallas

Start: Mar 02, 2026 **End:** Dec 01, 2028

Political Party: Republican

Replacing: Antonelli

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Alain Benzaken

Start: Feb 02, 2026 **End:** Dec 01, 2028

City of Stamford Email: abenzaken@stamfordct.gov

Replacing: Friedlander

Political Party: Democrat

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Matthew Tripolitsiotis

Start: Mar 01, 2021 **End:** Dec 01, 2023

Political Party: Unaffiliated

Replacing: Vacant

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Position: ALTERNATE



Jeremiah M Hourihan

Start: Oct 29, 2025 **End:** Dec 01, 2026

Replacing: Pigott

Political Party: Democrat

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

Current Vacancies



Immediate Vacancy Term Ends: N/A



Immediate Vacancy Term Ends: Dec 01, 2026

Replacing: Hourihan

Political Party: Democrat

Position: ALTERNATE

Upcoming Vacancies



Lauren Jacobson

Term Ends: Dec 01, 2026

Political Party: Democrat

Replacing: Savage

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons



Jeremiah M Hourihan

Term Ends: Dec 01, 2026

Political Party: Democrat

Replacing: Jacobson

Position: ALTERNATE



Jeremiah M Hourihan

Term Ends: Dec 01, 2026

Replacing: Pigott

Political Party: Democrat

Appointing Authority: Caroline Simmons

ZONING CITATION OFFICER

Details

Member Size: 3

Current Appointments (3)



Dan Trapp

Start: Jun 04, 2018 **End:** N/A

City of Stamford Email: dtrapp@StamfordCT.gov

Replacing: New Commission

Appointing Authority: David R. Martin



Frank Conti

Start: Jun 04, 2018 **End:** Jun 30, 2021

City of Stamford Email: fconti@StamfordCT.gov

Replacing: New Commission

Appointing Authority: David R. Martin



Frank Fedeli

Start: Feb 03, 2020 **End:** Jun 30, 2021

City of Stamford Email: ffedeli@StamfordCT.gov

Political Party: Democrat

Replacing: Reappointment

Appointing Authority: David R. Martin

Current Vacancies

No Current Vacancies

Upcoming Vacancies

No upcoming vacancies