



Request for City Council Action

DEPARTMENT INFORMATION

ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT	REQUESTOR:	MEETING DATE:
Administration	City Clerk Etzel	February 23, 2026
PRESENTER(s)	REVIEWED BY:	ITEM #:
Consent	City Administrator/Finance Director Flaherty	3.8 – Advisory Commissions

STRATEGIC VISION

MEETS:	THE CITY OF OTSEGO:
X	Is a strong organization that is committed to leading the community through innovative communication. Has proactively expanded infrastructure to responsibly provide core services. Is committed to delivery of quality emergency service responsive to community needs and expectations in a cost-effective manner. Is a social community with diverse housing, service options, and employment opportunities. Is a distinctive, connected community known for its beauty and natural surroundings.

AGENDA ITEM DETAILS

RECOMMENDATION:	
City staff recommends that the City Council adopt a resolution appointing advisory commissioners.	
ARE YOU SEEKING APPROVAL OF A CONTRACT?	IS A PUBLIC HEARING REQUIRED?
No	No
BACKGROUND/JUSTIFICATION:	
<p>The City has four Advisory Commissions including: Planning; Parks and Recreation; Public Safety and Heritage Preservation. On February 28, 2026, there will be expiring Commission seat appointments to fill.</p> <p>City staff began advertising in early December for Advisory Commission applicants through the City website, newsletter, social media, and Star News. The deadline to submit applications was January 20, 2026. The City received applications from nine individuals. The City Council interviewed eight (one withdrew) of the candidates on February 12, 2026, and directed staff to prepare the attached resolution appointing commissioners.</p>	
SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS ATTACHED:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resolution 2026-14 • Advisory Commission Appointments 	

POSSIBLE MOTION

PLEASE WORD MOTION AS YOU WOULD LIKE IT TO APPEAR IN THE MINUTES:
Motion to adopt Resolution 2026-14 Appointing Commissioners to Advisory Commissions.

BUDGET INFORMATION

FUNDING:	BUDGETED:
General Fund – Commission Departments	Yes

**CITY OF OTSEGO
COUNTY OF WRIGHT
STATE OF MINNESOTA**

RESOLUTION NO: 2026-14

APPOINTING COMMISSIONERS TO ADVISORY COMMISSIONS

WHEREAS, the City has established advisory commissions including the Planning Commission, Parks and Recreation Commission, Heritage Preservation Commission and Public Safety Commission; and

WHEREAS, individuals are appointed to serve on these advisory commissions in accordance with the City Code and bylaws of each body and at the discretion of the City Council; and

WHEREAS, the terms of certain individuals appointed to these advisory commissions will expire on February 28, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the City Council must make appointments to the new terms of these advisory commission positions.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OTSEGO, MINNESOTA:

1. That the following appointments are hereby made to the respective City advisory commission:

Planning Commission

- Laurie Jones for the term expiring February 28, 2030.

Heritage Preservation Commission

- none

Public Safety Commission

- Jim Buchanan (Alternate) for the term expiring February 28, 2030.

Parks and Recreation Commission

- Matt Danzl for the term expiring February 28, 2030.
- Kim Shelmidine for the term expiring February 28, 2030.
- Jeremy Willgohs (Alternate) for the term expiring February 28, 2030.

ADOPTED by the Otsego City Council this 23rd day of February, 2026.

MOTION BY:
SECONDED BY:
IN FAVOR:
OPPOSED:

CITY OF OTSEGO

Jessica L. Stockamp, Mayor

ATTEST:

Audra Etzel, City Clerk



**City of Otsego
Advisory Commission Appointments**

Expiring	Expiring	Expiring	Expiring
28-Feb	29-Feb	28-Feb	28-Feb
2027	2028	2029	2030

Planning (7 members)

Appointed	Stritesky Kincanon	Heidner Foster	Offerman Metzger	Jones
Alternates				

Parks and Recreation (7 members)

Appointed	Baltos Baldry	McCool	Dehn Tyberghein	Danzl Shelmidine
Alternates				Willgohs

Public Safety (7 members)

Appointed	Green Heltemes	Greeman Hubbard Sibert	Freiberg Becker
Alternates			Buchanan

Heritage Preservation (5 member)

Appointed	Nault Stinski	Kiffmeyer	Serosek
Alternates		Wilson	

February 23, 2026 - pending City Council Approved

January 26, 2026 - City Council accept Resignation of Jim Penick OHPC (Term Expiring 2/29/2028)