CITY ADVISORY BOARDS WEBSITE INFORMATION
(Updated as of September 30, 2025)

Airport Advisory Board (AAB)

- 7 seats
- No vacant seats
- Term Lengths: 3 years
- Dates of Meetings: Meets the 3rd Wednesday of every month
- Time of Meetings: 5:30 p.m.
- Contact: Bonnie Wilson, Airport Manager – 405-878-1532
- Location: Airport Terminal, 2202 North Airport Drive

Board Members:	Term Expires
Blake White	7/1/2026
Scott Lee	7/1/2026
Bryan Cantrell	7/1/2028
Kevin Hanna	7/1/2028
Garrett Roberts	7/1/2028
Colton Crowder	7/1/2028
Keith Layne	7/1/2028

The Shawnee Regional Airport has been serving the City of Shawnee since the 1920's. From 1943 to 1945, the airport supported the war effort serving as the Shawnee Naval Air Station. In 1974, the City of Shawnee created the Shawnee Airport Authority (SAA), by Ordinance NO. 670NS. The role of the SAA is to manage and develop the Shawnee Regional Airport, a vital transportation link to the City of Shawnee.

The citizen advisors of the Shawnee Airport Advisory Board (AAB) support and advise the SAA. The AAB established by ordinance (Chapter 6 – AVIATION, ARTICLE II. - AIRPORT ADVISORY BOARD), works directly with the professional staff at the airport to develop recommendations to the chairman and trustees of the SAA regarding development of airport property, highest and best use of the facilities, operations, equipment, and management plans, determined to be for the best interest of the citizens, business partners, and the City of Shawnee.

The scope of the AAB is advisory in nature and retains no binding authority over the final decision of Shawnee Airport Authority. There are seven seats on the Airport Advisory Board. The Chairman of the SAA appoints new members and seeks concurrence from the Authority's Trustees. Board Members may serve up to two full consecutive three-year terms. The Board meets on the third Wednesday of each month at 5:30 p.m. at the Airport Terminal.

Shawnee Arts and Culture Commission

- 7 seats
- 1 vacant seat
- Term Lengths: 3 years
- Dates of Meetings: Meets the last Wednesday of the month quarterly (January, April, July and October)
- Time of Meetings: 11:30 a.m.
- Contact: Petya Stefanoff, Interim Community Development Director – 405-878-1543
- Location: Commission Chambers, City Hall, City Hall, 16 West 9th Street

Board Members:	Term Expires
Vacant, At-Large	5/1/2025
John Grider, Professional	5/1/2027
Lucas Simmons, Professional	5/1/2027
Katie Goodson, Professional	5/1/2027
Sherri Thompson, Professional	5/1/2027
Delaynna Trim, At-Large	5/1/2028
Carmen Wolf, Local Arts & Cultural Organization	5/1/2028

The Shawnee Arts and Culture Commission was created on March 1, 2021 by Ordinance No. 2714NS and amended by Ordinance No. 2791NS. The Shawnee Arts and Culture Commission was created to advise the City Commission on artistic, cultural and aesthetic matters to ensure the City will be attractive and culturally rich.

The Commission is comprised of seven members, appointed by the Mayor and approved by the City Commission. Four members serve at-large and two of those at-large members may reside outside the Shawnee city limits. One member may represent a local arts or cultural organization. Two members may be professional artists, performers, architects, landscape architects or have a strong construction background. The Commission meets on the last Wednesday of the month, quarterly (January, April, July and October) at 5:00 p.m.

Shawnee Senior Citizens Advisory Board:

- 1 Commissioner seat
- 9 Citizen seats
- No vacant Citizen seats
- Dates of Meetings: Meets on the 2nd Tuesday quarterly (February, May, August, and November)
- Meeting Times: 9:30 am
- Contact: Jane Wright, Secretary – 405-878-1516
- Location: Senior Recreation Center, 401 N Bell

Board Members:	Term Expires:
Mark Sehorn	Ward 5 Commissioner
Albert Rice	7/1/2026
Barry Fogerty	7/1/2026
Pamela Pensoneau	7/1/2026
Ann Dowdy	7/1/2027
Sally "Sarah" Murphy	7/1/2027
Norma Neely	7/1/2027
Pete Carrels	7/1/2027
Gary Dowdy	7/1/2028
Joseph Walker	7/1/2028

The Senior Citizens of Shawnee Board was created on June 17, 2019 by Resolution No. 6592. The name of the board was changed to Shawnee Senior Citizens Advisory Board per Resolution No. 6677 on October 17, 2022. The Board helps foster and develop programs for the benefit of older persons in our community, for the purposes of socialization, entertainment, health and fitness, mobilization, and senior information. The Board also advises and assists the City of Shawnee Recreation Department on Senior specific programming and events.

The scope of the Board is advisory in nature and retains no binding authority over the final decision of the Board of City Commission of the City of Shawnee, Oklahoma. The Board consists of nine at large members and one City Commissioner. The members shall be fifty-five years of age or older. Each board member is appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Commission. A Board member may serve up to two full consecutive three-year terms. The Board meets quarterly on the second Tuesday of February, May, August, and November at 9:30am in the Senior Recreation Center.

Shawnee Beautification, Parks, and Recreation Committee:

- 6 Citizen seats
- 1 Commissioner seat
- 1 vacant Citizen seat
- Term Lengths: 3 years
- Dates of Meetings: Meets the 3rd Thursday of every month
- Time of Meetings: 4:00 p.m.
- Contact: Jane Wright, Secretary – 405-878-1516
- Location: Commission Chambers, City Hall, City Hall, 16 West 9th Street

Board Members:	Term Expires:
Lauren Richter, Ward 6	City Commissioner
Sherry Lankford	5/1/2026
Sue Nelson	5/1/2026
Vacant	5/1/2026
Raymond Lutomski Jr	5/1/2028
Kerri Keck	5/1/2028
Chris Johnston	5/1/2028

The Committee was created on March 7, 2022 by Ordinance No. 2748NS from the combination of the Shawnee Community Beautification Committee and the Shawnee Parks and Recreation Committee. This Committee is defined as the City committee responsible for advising the City Commission on policies pertaining to the use of the park and recreational facilities of the City and overseeing the long-range planning and development for all City parks and open spaces, promote and orchestrate community enhancement projects and serve as the Tree Board. The Committee, when requested by the City Commission, shall consider, investigate, make findings, report and recommend upon any special matter of question coming within the scope of this work.

The scope of the Committee is advisory in nature and retains no binding authority over the final decision of the Board of City Commissioners of the City of Shawnee, Oklahoma. There are six at-large members with one City Commissioner on the Committee. Each board member is appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Commission. A committee member may serve up to two full consecutive three-year terms. The Committee meets the third Thursday of each month at 4:00 p.m. in the Commission Chambers at Shawnee City Hall.

Shawnee Civic & Cultural Development Authority (Expo):

- 4 City appointed seats; 2 County appointed seats
- 1 vacant City seat
- No vacant County seats
- Dates of Meetings: Special Call Meetings as Needed
- Meeting Times: To be determined
- Contact: Kacie Eck, Sr. Deputy City Clerk – 405-878-1604
- Location: Commission Chambers, City Hall, City Hall, 16 West 9th Street

Board Members:	Term Expires:
Mark Simpson, Interim City Manager	By Seat
Vacant, City Appointment	12/31/2023
Carl Packwood, City Appointment	12/31/2024
Lance Wortham, City Appointment	12/31/2024
Tim Barrick, City Appointment	12/31/2025
Randy Gilbert, County Appointment	No Expiration
Rob Morris, County Appointment	No Expiration

The Shawnee Civic & Cultural Authority, created in 1976, is a public trust and an agency of the State of Oklahoma under provisions of Title 60, Oklahoma Statues 1961, Sections 176 and 180, the Oklahoma Trust Act, and other applicable statues and laws. The Shawnee Civic & Cultural Authority was created to promote and manage the International Finals Youth Rodeo held annually at the Heart of Oklahoma Exposition Center. The City of Shawnee is the beneficiary of the Trust. The Board of Trustees administers the business of the Shawnee Civic & Cultural Authority.

In accordance with the trust indenture and amendments, four trustees are appointed by the City of Shawnee Board of Commissioners and two of the trustees are appointed by the Pottawatomie County Board of Commissioners. The terms are four years each. The Authority meets as needed by Special Call Notice in the Commission Chambers at Shawnee City Hall.

Shawnee Hospital Authority:

- 10 seats
- No vacant seats
- Dates of Meetings: Meets one time in September of each year
- Meeting Times: 5:30 pm
- Contact: Sherry Lenox, Office Manager – 405-273-4055
- Location: Avedis Foundation, 1500 East Independence

Board Members:	Term Expires:
Vacant	9/30/2025
Josh Trimble	9/30/2025
Mark Finley	12/31/2027
Kathy Laster	12/31/2027
Dr. Stephen Trotter	12/31/2027
Dr. John Robinson	9/30/2028
Jill Spencer	9/30/2028
Ron Sharp	9/30/2028
Tina Hanna	9/30/2029
Angi Mohr	9/30/2029

The Shawnee Hospital Authority (SHA) is a public trust created for the benefit of the City of Shawnee, pursuant to a Trust Indenture dated as of January 3, 1966 and amended as of November 22, 1976, and pursuant to the provisions of Title 60, Oklahoma Statutes 1981, Section 176 et seq., as amended.

The Board is comprised of ten seats and the terms are six years each. Each board member is appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Commission. The Board meets annually in the month of September on Tuesday, following the fourth Monday at the Avedis Foundation.

Shawnee Housing Authority:

- 5 seats
- No vacant seats
- Term Lengths: 3 years
- Dates of Meetings: Meets the 2nd Tuesday of every month
- Meeting Times: 5:30 p.m.
- Contact: Diane Adams, Executive Director – 405-275-6330
- Location: Housing Authority, 601 West 7th Street, Board/Training Room

Board Members:	Term Expires:
Daniel Jordan, Resident Commissioner	2/1/2026
Kevin Hall	2/1/2026
Thomas Hibben	2/1/2026
Cyndi Berger	2/1/2028
Holly Gordon	2/1/2028

The Housing Authority of the City of Shawnee, OK was established in 1967 by Resolution No. 4048 and is governed by the Housing Authority Commissioners. The mission of the Housing Authority is to provide safe, decent and sanitary housing conditions for very low-income families and to manage resources efficiently. The Housing Authority is to promote personal, economic and social upward mobility to provide families the opportunity to make the transition from subsidized to non-subsidized housing.

There are five Housing Authority Commissioners. They are appointed by the Mayor with the advice and consent of the governing body. Commissioners may serve up to two full consecutive three-year terms. The Authority meets on the second Tuesday of each month at 5:30 p.m. at the Housing Authority of the City of Shawnee.

Shawnee Library Board:

- 6 seats
- No vacant seats
- Dates of Meetings: Meets on the 3rd Tuesday quarterly (January, April, July and October)
- Meeting Times: 6:00 pm
- Contact: Mary Sims, Interim Branch Manager – 405-275-6353
- Location: Shawnee Public Library, Conference Room, 101 North Philadelphia

Board Members:	Term Expires:
Brent Newsom	6/30/2026
Melanne Greenwood	6/30/2027
Lisa Watson	6/30/2027
Amber Mitchell	6/30/2028
Joyce Parsons	6/30/2028
David Dinsmore	6/30/2028

The Shawnee Public Library Advisory Board, organized under the City Charter, Article VII, Library Department, provides assistance and support to promote the library and provide oversight of the building and provision of services for Shawnee. The Library Board was created in 1905 when the City took responsibility for private lending libraries in Shawnee to establish the Public Library. In 1986, voters in Pottawatomie County approved a ballot question to join the Pioneer Multi-County Library System (PLS). The City of Shawnee entered into a Memorandum of Understanding with the System at that time. PLS is now responsible for providing the staff, materials, technology, and delivery of materials and library services. The City provides for the building, furnishings, equipment, maintenance, and upkeep of the library.

The City of Shawnee Board is advisory in nature and assists with promoting the library, sets the Community Room and Display policies, and advises the City Commission on library facility use policies and building needs. The Board is a six-member body, comprised of city residents. Each board member is appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Commission. A board member may serve up to two full consecutive three-year terms. The Board meets quarterly on the third Tuesday of January, April, July, and October at 6 pm at the Shawnee Public Library.

Shawnee Urban Renewal Authority (SURA):

- 5 seats
- 1 vacant seat
- Dates of Meetings: Meets on the 1st Tuesday quarterly (February, May, August and November)
- Meeting Times: 9:00 am
- Contact: Breanna Wallace, CDBG Program Director – 405-273-1276
- Location: City Hall, Commission Chambers, 16 West 9th Street

Board Members:	Term Expires:
Robert D Hoover, Jr.	2/2/2026
Raymond Burrell	2/2/2026
William Burke	2/2/2027
Robert Keil	2/2/2027
Sydnie Davidson	2/2/2028

The Shawnee Urban Renewal Authority (SURA) was created on January 18, 1971 by Resolution No. 4248. The City of Shawnee is an active participant in the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), as an Entitlement Community, which is funded directly through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The Community Development Block Grant is part of the Annual Consolidated Plan process for Housing and Community Development. SURA is responsible for assisting the Mayor and Board of Commissioners with recommendations regarding the allocation of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds awarded to projects, programs, and services that improve the lives of the City of Shawnee's low- and moderate-income residents, by following the Citizen Participation Plan approved and adopted by the City of Shawnee.

The Authority consists of five members that are each appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Commission. An Authority member may serve up to two full consecutive three-year terms. SURA meets on the first Tuesday quarterly (February, May, August and November) at 9:00 a.m. in the Commission Chambers at the City of Shawnee City Hall.

Oklahoma Baptist University Authority:

- 4 seats
- No vacant seats
- Term Lengths: 6 years
- Dates of Meetings: One time per year in October
- Meetings Times: 3:00 pm
- Contact: Sydnie Davidson, OBU Executive Assistant – 405-585-5801
- Location: OBU, 500 West University, Bailey Business Center Executive Conference Room

Board Members:	Term Expires:
James Wilder	12/31/2025
Marty Lewis	12/31/2025
Joe Ford	12/31/2027
Rachael Melot	12/31/2027

Oklahoma Baptist University Authority, created in 1969, is a public trust and an agency of the State of Oklahoma under provisions of Title 60, Oklahoma Statues 1961, Sections 176 and 180, the Oklahoma Trust Act, and other applicable statues and laws. The Oklahoma Baptist University Authority was created to promote the development of Oklahoma Baptist University (OBU). The City of Shawnee is the beneficiary of the Trust. The Board of Trustees administers the business of the Oklahoma Baptist University Authority.

In accordance with the trust indenture, trustees are appointed by the Board of Commissioners from a list of one or more names submitted by the Executive Committee of Oklahoma Baptist University. There are four trustees who each serve for a term of six years. They have an annual meeting each year in October at OBU.

Planning Commission:

- 7 seats
- No vacant seats
- Dates of Meetings: Meets the 1st Wednesday of every month
- Meeting Times: 1:30 pm
- Contact: Petya Stefanoff, Interim Community Development Director – 405-878-1665
- Location: Commission Chambers, City Hall, City Hall, 16 West 9th Street

Board Members:	Term Expires:
Monty Porter	6/1/2026
John Barrett	6/1/2026
Amanda Johnson	6/1/2026
Steve Reese	6/1/2026
Jamie Hembree	6/1/2027
Sarita Hayes	6/1/2027
Travis Alexander	6/1/2027

The Planning Commission was created on January 19, 1959 by Ordinance No. 84NS. The function of this Commission is to review and provide recommendations to the City Commission related to zoning, platting, subdivision, construction, annexation, and other related planning functions. This Commission assists in cultivating quality growth and development of the Shawnee community as it pertains to land use.

The scope of the Commission is advisory in nature and retains no binding authority over the final decision of the Board of City Commissioners of the City of Shawnee, Oklahoma. The Commission consists of seven members who are appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Commission. Commission members may serve up to two full consecutive three-year terms. The Commission meets on the first Wednesday of each month at 1:30 p.m. in the Commission Chambers at Shawnee City Hall.

Board of Adjustment (BOA):

- 5 seats
- No vacant seats
- Dates of Meetings: Meets on the 3rd Thursday of each month, when needed
- Meeting Times: 2:30 pm
- Contact: Petya Stefanoff, Interim Community Development Director – 405-878-1665
- Location: Commission Chambers, City Hall, 16 West 9th Street

Board Members:	Term Expires:
Jessica Nickerson	6/1/2026
Dana Austin	6/1/2026
Brandon Dyer	6/1/2028
Frank Kelly	6/1/2028
Rex Hennen	6/1/2028

The Board of Adjustment is a five-member quasi-judicial board that hears and makes final decisions on special exception or variance application requests that deviate from the regulations of the standard Zoning Code.

Each board member is appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Commission. Board members may serve up to two full consecutive three-year terms. The Board meets on the third Thursday of each month at 2:30 p.m. in the Commission Chambers at Shawnee City Hall.