

2026 COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS

Committee	Council Member	Appointment Type	Date/Time/Location
All Seasons Arena Board	Dennis Dieken	Council Member	Quarterly/7 a.m.
B.E. County Mayors/Clerks	Najwa Massad Mike Laven	Mayor (Council President is Alternate)	TBD
Downtown Partnership Connectivity Task Force	Jenn Melby-Kelley	Ad Hoc Committee	
Coalition of Greater MN Cities	Najwa Massad	Mayor	Annually 1 st week Aug/3 rd week Nov Monthly Board
Cities, Colleges, and University Advisory Council	Najwa Massad	Council Member City Manager	1 st Wednesday of month at 11:30/rotating location
Community Grant Review Committee	Jenn Melby-Kelley, Michael McLaughlin Najwa Massad	Three Council Members	December and March
Community Services and Recreation Advisory Committee	Kevin Mettler	Council Member	4 th Wednesday (Bi-monthly) 5:00-6:00 p.m. Rm 201 @ LCC
City/County Intergovernmental	Jessica Hatanpa Mike Laven	Two Council Members	3 rd Thursday/7:00 a.m. City Center Restaurant
Economic Development Authority	All Council Members	All City Council	2 nd Monday/6:00 p.m.
Regional Economic Development Association (REDA) with GMG	Michael McLaughlin Jessica Hatanpa (Alt.)	Council Member Alternate	
Highway 14 Partnership	Mike Laven		
Human Rights Commission	All Council Members	All City Council	
Mankato/North Mankato Intergovernmental Committee	Najwa Massad Jessica Hatanpa	Mayor Council Members	
Metropolitan Planning Organization	Mike Laven Dennis Dieken (Alt.)	Council Member	TBD
Minnesota Valley COG	Michael McLaughlin Jenn Melby-Kelly (Alt.)	Council Member	March/September 3 rd Wed/4:30 p.m.
Planning Commission	Dennis Dieken Mike Laven (Alt.)	One Council Member Alternate	4 th Wed/6:30 p.m. Council Chambers
Public Safety Advisory Committee	Michael McLaughlin Mike Laven (Alt.)	Council Member	Quarterly Basis/6 p.m. – Jan./March/May/July/Sept./Oct.
South Central Regional Radio Board	Kevin Mettler Commander Adam Gray (Alt.)	Council Member Alternate	
Twin Rivers Council for the Arts	Mike Laven Jenn Melby-Kelley (Alt.)	Council Member	3 rd Monday of every month
University/City Student Advisory Committee	Mike Laven Kevin Mettler	Two Council Members	3 rd Thurs/5:00 p.m. Location Rotates, informal committee
One Watershed, One Plan	Mike Laven Jenn Melby-Kelley (Alt.)		POSSIBLE NEW COMMITTEE: Staff meeting with the organizing group on 12/4 to determine if a Council appointee is needed/desired

Appointed by others:

Greater Mankato Diversity Council	Jenn Melby-Kelley	Council Member	3rd Monday/4:00 p.m.
Region 9 Development Commission	Mike Laven	Mayor or Council Member	2 nd Wed/6:30 p.m. Region 9 Office