



# HIGHLAND

DISTRICT COUNCIL

Welcome!

# What is a District Council?

Technically 501(c)3 nonprofit, majority of funding from the city

Develop a district plan to help guide City Council budget and law-making

Our neighborhood's official communication path to City Council on community development, transportation, parks, recycling, public safety, and more!



# Mission

To foster opportunities for the people that live, learn, work, and play in Highland Park to engage and connect with neighbors, businesses, and local government, and to help build a more vibrant, welcoming, and safe neighborhood.

# What We Do



1. Listen.

2. Advocate for the  
best interests of our  
community.

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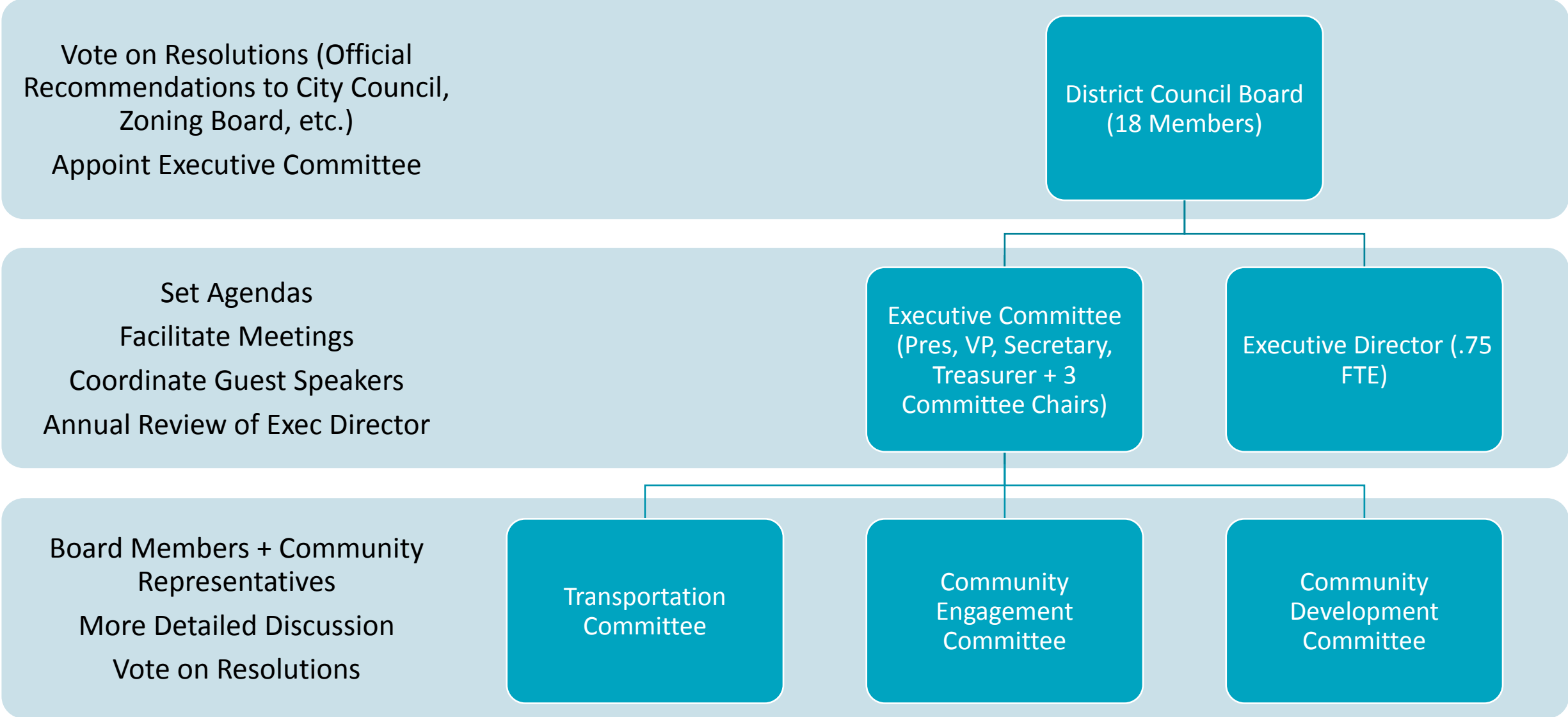





# Board Members



12 Grid Reps  
+ 4 At-Large  
+ 2 Business Reps  
18 Board Members

# Structure



	Purpose	Example Initiatives
<b>Transportation Committee</b> 	<p>Discuss issues pertaining to modes of transportation (pedestrian, cyclists, cars, public transit, road construction)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reviewed plans for and made recommendations to City Council regarding new pedestrian and bike lanes along Montreal and Cleveland</li> <li>• Discussed traffic light implications for Lexington / Hwy 5 / Montreal</li> </ul>
<b>Community Engagement Committee</b> 	<p>Discuss concerns related to outreach, community resources, events, environment, parks, and public safety</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Planned and hosted community events (Blood Drive, Bike Giveaway, Movies in the Park, etc.)</li> <li>• Secured the new organics recycling drop off site in Highland (opening December 2021)</li> </ul>
<b>Community Development Committee</b> 	<p>Discuss planning and execution of any construction or building projects in Highland Park, both commercial and residential</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discussed ideas to improve Highland Bridge development</li> <li>• Approve zoning variances for private and commercial construction (distance from property lines, parking requirements, max building height, etc.)</li> </ul>



Role	 <b>District Council Board Member</b>	 <b>Community Committee Rep</b>
<b>Make-Up</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 12 Grid Members (Based on Address)</li> <li>• 4 At-Large Members (Live Anywhere in HP)</li> <li>• 2-year terms, half elected each year</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2-4 Representatives per Committee</li> <li>• 2 Alternates (They vote if others are not in attendance)</li> </ul>
<b>Qualifications</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• At least 18 years of age</li> <li>• Live in the grid you'll represent</li> <li>• Receive at least 2 votes</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• At least 16 years of age</li> <li>• Be engaged!</li> </ul>
<b>Time Commitment</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2-year term</li> <li>• Attend monthly board meetings (~2 hrs)</li> <li>• Attend monthly committee meetings (~1.5 hrs)</li> <li>• Minimum of 4 additional volunteer roles per year</li> <li>• Participate in community outreach</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1-year term</li> <li>• Attend monthly committee meetings (~1.5 hrs)</li> <li>• Potentially additional volunteer / follow-up opportunities</li> </ul>
<b>Election Process</b>	<p>Elected every year at Spring annual meeting / online elections (April)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Submit online application</li> <li>• Advocate for yourself with neighbors and interest groups</li> </ul>	<p>Nominated and voted in at the first committee meeting post-elections (April)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Attend the first meeting and express interest (can self-nominate)</li> </ul>

Thank you!



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