

CITY OF NOVATO LOCAL APPOINTMENTS LIST FOR 2023

AS OF DECEMBER 27, 2023

In compliance with the requirement of the Maddy Act, Government Code 54970, the following appointment list is posted on or before December 31st of each year. The list provides members of Boards, Commissions and Committees and the dates of their terms of office as of the time of this posting.

NOTE: The names on this list are subject to change based on resignation or other unexpected vacancies.

PLANNING COMMISSION

The Planning Commission exercises its powers and duties per Sections 2-10.4 & .5 of the Municipal Code, which include maintenance of the General Plan, review of subdivisions of land, review of the zoning plan, recommending or disapproving any proposed changes and acting in an advisory capacity on planning issues. Members must live within City limits.

Commissioner/Name	Term Begins	Term Expires
Dan Dawson	May 1, 2023	April 30, 2025
Justin Derby	May 1, 2022	April 30, 2024
Bill Crockett	May 1, 2022	April 30, 2024
Thomas Engdahl	May 1, 2023	April 30, 2025
Curtis Havel	May 1, 2022	April 30, 2024
Lia Heath	May 1, 2021	April 30, 2023
Peter Tiernan	May 22, 2022	April 30, 2024

DESIGN REVIEW COMMISSION

The Design Review Commission exercises its powers and duties per Section 2-11.5 of the Municipal Code which include reviewing design of physical development within the City and acting in an advisory capacity on design issues. Members must either live or work within City limits. One member may live within the three zip code areas designated for Novato.

Commissioner/Name	Term Begins	Term Expires
Michael Barber	May 1, 2022	April 30, 2024
Joseph Farrell	May 1, 2022	April 30, 2024
VACANT	May 1, 2023	April 30, 2025
Mark Schatz	May 1, 2023	April 30, 2025
Kevin Jacobs	May 1, 2022	April 30, 2024
Alt. #1 (4 yr): Tim Roche	November 1, 2022	April 30, 2026
Alt. (4 yr): Michelle Derviss	February 28, 2020	April 30, 2024

RECREATION, CULTURAL & COMMUNITY SERVICES ADVISORY COMMISSION

The function and purpose of the Recreation, Cultural & Community Services Advisory Commission is to advise the City Council on all matters relating to the practices and policies of the Parks, Recreation, and Community Services Department including Recreational Programs, Activities, Services and Events, Cultural Programs, Capital Improvement Program for Parks and Facilities, Parkland Acquisition and Open Space Acquisition. Five members shall be residents within City limits. Two members may live within the three zip code areas designated for Novato. Two high school members may serve as ex-officio.

Commissioner/Name	Term Begins	Term Expires
Dennis Bentley	May 1, 2022	April 30, 2024
Susanne Crow	May 1, 2022	April 30, 2024
`Mavi Pilloton	May 1, 2022	April 30, 2024
Emily Larsen	May 1, 2023	April 30, 2025
Erin Lacey	November 1, 2021	April 30, 2024
Nancy Lee Weber	May 1, 2023	April 30, 2025
Betsy Ricketts	May 1, 2023	April 30, 2025
Beverly Winsor	May 1, 2022	April 30, 2024
Zachary Schmechel	May 1, 2023	April 30, 2025

POLICE ADVISORY AND REVIEW BOARD

The Police Advisory and Review Board provides for community participation in Police Department policies, procedures, and practices and reviews citizens' complaints referred by the City Manager. All but one member must live within the City limits. One member may live within the three zip code areas designated for Novato.

Commissioner/Name	Term Begins	Term Expires
Bruce Bartel	May 1, 2021	April 30, 2024
William Palmini, Jr	May 1, 2023	April 30, 2025
Alice Demushkin Dow	May 1, 2022	April 30, 2024
Kyla Medigovich	May 1, 2021	April 30, 2023
Anne Glascock	May 1, 2023	April 30, 2025
Francis Drouillard	May 1, 2022	April 30, 2024
Bruce Ritter	May 1, 2021	April 30, 2024

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMISSION

The Economic Development Advisory Commission supports economic vitality and development and makes recommendation on downtown revitalization and business attraction and on expanding the commercial, retail and overall economic base of the community. Seven voting members appointed by the City Council who are residents and/or employees and/or business owners within the City limits, and up to two ex-officio (non-voting) members designated by the Commission who have expertise in economic development matters. Four of the voting members shall be Novato residents and three shall have relevant expertise in business and industry that will help the Commission and City promote economic vitality, stability and growth.

Commissioner/Name	Term Begins	Term Expires
David Blaza	November 1, 2023	October 31, 2025
Katie Skjerping	November 1, 2023	October 31, 2025
Viral Shah	November 1, 2023	October 31, 2025
Coy Smith	November 1, 2023	October 31, 2025
Harry Thomas	November 1, 2022	October 31, 2024
Thomas Young	November 1, 2022	October 31, 2024
Alex Tishman	November 1, 2022	October 31, 2024
Sylvia Barry (Ex-Officio)	February 28, 2020	February 28, 2024
Miriam Karell (Ex-Officio)	September 1, 2023	February 28, 2025

FINANCE ADVISORY COMMISSION

The mission of the Finance Advisory Commission, formerly known as the Novato Citizen's Finance Advisory/Oversight Committee, is to provide regular feedback, insight and recommendations and report periodically to the City Council on a variety of financial matters such as financial policies, long-term fiscal sustainability, budget and forecast assumptions, etc. The Committee also shall act as the official Citizens Oversight Committee as required by the Novato transactions and use tax ordinance (Measure F and Measure C).

Commissioner/Name	Term Begins	Term Expires
Larisa Thomas	November 1, 2023	October 31, 2025
Chris Mackenzie	November 1, 2023	October 31, 2025
Tina McMillan	November 1, 2023	October 31, 2025
Rafelina Maglio	November 1, 2022	October 31, 2024
Richard Johnson	November 1, 2022	October 31, 2024
Regina Bianucci Rus	November 1, 2022	October 31, 2024
Andrew Zmyslowski	November 1, 2022	October 31, 2024

COMPLETE STREETS AND PATHWAYS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

The Complete Streets and Pathways Oversight Committee (CSPOC) was created by merging the Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee and the Street Improvement Oversight Advisory Committee. The CSPOC monitors, oversees and provides recommendations for proposed Capital Improvement Program (CIP) projects for streets and pathway improvements, identifies potential bicycle and pedestrian facility improvements based on community needs, liaises with other public agencies, schools, bicycle and pedestrian interest groups and/or individuals and assists with the annual development of the 5-year pavement rehabilitation plan.

Commissioner/Name	Term Begins	Term Expires
Nestor Schnasse	May 1, 2022	October 31, 2025
Casey Ward	May 1, 2022	October 31, 2025
Mark Birnbaum	May 1, 2022	October 31, 2025
Merherdad Namiranian	May 1, 2022	October 31, 2025
Joakim Osthus	May 1, 2022	October 31, 2024
Ed Schulze	May 1, 2022	October 31, 2024
Mark Vanderscoff	May 1, 2022	October 31, 2024
Cynthia Lund, Alternate 1	May 1, 2022	October 31, 2024

Matthew Leonard, Alternate 2	May 1, 2022	October 31, 2024
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MULTICULTURAL ADVISORY COMMISSION

The Novato Multicultural Advisory Commission (MAC) will act as a catalyst to encourage respect, understanding, and inclusion of all of Novato's diversity. The Commission seeks to enrich the lives of the community through courageous interpersonal dialogue, and strives to build a safe and strong community through group and individual interaction as well as outreach, activities and education.

Commissioner/Name	Term Begins	Term Expires
Clifford Jacobs	May 1, 2021	April 30, 2024
Chandra Alexandre	May 1, 2021	April 30, 2025
Pamela Luk	May 1, 2023	April 30, 2025
Sophia Osotio	May 1, 2021	April 30, 2024
Charles Schwarze	May 1, 2023	April 30, 2025
Carlos Solis	May 1, 2023	April 30, 2025
VACANT	May 1, 2023	April 30, 2024

SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE

The Sustainability Commission serves as an advisory body to the City Council on matters related to reducing greenhouse gas emissions, sea level rise, and other environmental issues including but not limited to, wildfire, tree preservation/replacement, resiliency, and adaptation to climate change.

Commissioner/Name	Term Begins	Term Expires
Tim Blofeld	June 1, 2022	October 31, 2025
Nicole Tai	June 1, 2022	October 31, 2025
Bob Brown	June 1, 2022	October 31, 2024
Pablo Paster	June 1, 2022	October 31, 2024
Chris Yalonis	June 1, 2022	October 31, 2024

HOUSING AND HOMELESS COMMITTEE

The Housing and Homeless committee was created to provide information and make recommendations to the City Council regarding homeless policy and issues within the City. The Committee assists with reviewing the state of homelessness in the City of Novato, by planning, advocating, supporting, and collaborating with those affected by homelessness.

Commissioner/Name	Term Begins	Term Expires
Mark Brand	January 24, 2023	April 30, 2024
David Fareillo	January 24, 2023	April 30, 2024
Lucie Hollingsworth	January 24, 2023	April 30, 2024
Will Meacham	January 24, 2023	April 30, 2024
Elissa Lasserre	January 24, 2023	April 30, 2025
Jennifer Mallow	January 24, 2023	April 30, 2025
Jason Sarris	January 24, 2023	April 30, 2025

HOUSING, ZONING AND BUILDING CODES APPEALS BOARD

The Housing, Zoning & Building Codes Appeals Board is charged with examining issues involving the City's Municipal Code, which includes the current California Building and Health & Safety Codes.

Commissioner/Name	Term Begins	Term Expires
Patrick Rinn	April 11, 2023	October 30, 2026
Neil Rabbitoy	April 11, 2023	October 30, 2026
Blake Schatz	April 11, 2023	October 30, 2026
Dale Faust	April 11, 2023	October 30, 2026
Tom Wharton	April 11, 2023	October 30, 2026
Marie Hoch – Alternate 1	April 11, 2023	October 30, 2026
Matthew Mitchell – Alternate 2	April 11, 2023	October 30, 2026

MARIN COUNTY COMMISSION ON AGING (Division of Aging and Adult Services)

The Marin County Commission on Aging is a 23-member federally mandated advisory council to the Marin County Board of Supervisors. Commissioners are appointed to three-year terms by either the Board of Supervisors or the 11 incorporated Cities and Towns in Marin. According to the Older Americans Act, membership shall be composed of: (a) a majority of persons 60 years or older; (b) service providers; (c) members who reflect the geographic, racial, economic, and social complexion of the area they represent; and (d) at least one member who represents the interests of the disabled. Novato makes one appointment to the Commission.

Commissioner/Name	Term Begins	Term Expires
Pranav Bhanushali	April 28, 2022	June 30, 2025

MOSQUITO AND VECTOR CONTROL DISTRICT

The Marin/Sonoma Mosquito & Vector Control District is committed to protecting the health and welfare of the communities served from mosquitoes and vector-borne disease. The District is governed by a Board of Trustees. Each member represents a city or county at large. Trustees are appointed by their city council or county board of supervisors and serve a four-year term. Each member of the Board appointed by the governing body of a city/town shall be an elector of the city or town from which he/she is appointed, and a resident of that portion of the city/town which is in the District. Novato makes one appointment.

Commissioner/Name	Term Begins	Term Expires
Herbert M. Rowland, Jr.	December 31, 2020	December 31, 2024