



**City of Stockbridge  
4640 North Henry Blvd.  
Stockbridge, GA 30281**



**APPLICATION FOR BOARD OR COMMISSION APPOINTMENT**

Citizens provide a great insight and knowledge to City government. An avenue that the City of Stockbridge uses to get this insight is through the various Boards and Commissions of the City of Stockbridge. The members of the Boards and Commissions make decisions and help recommend and review policies for the City of Stockbridge and its Mayor and Council. This questionnaire will assist the Mayor and Council in the review process and in determining applicant eligibility requirements and qualifications for Board or Commission membership.

Questions to consider before applying for membership on a Board or Commission:

- Do I fully understand what this Board or Commission expects from me?
- Am I committed to the goals and mission of this Board or Commission?
- Can I afford the demands on my time, resources and energy?
- Will I attend meetings regularly, making them a priority for the duration of my appointment?
- Am I willing to perform a reasonable amount of work outside of regularly scheduled Board or Commission meetings and prepare for each meeting?
- Can I work effectively with the other members of the Board or Commission?
- Am I willing to participate in necessary Board or Commission training, education and development activities that will improve my effectiveness in my position?

**APPLICANT INFORMATION**

Applicant Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_ Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Home E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Work E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Preferred E-Mail:  Home  Work

Name and address of the business entity you own/operate, located within the city limits of Stockbridge (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

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**BOARD OR COMMISSION APPLICATION**

a) Which Board(s) or Commission(s) do you wish to be appointed to? \_\_\_\_\_

If applying for the Main Street Advisory Board, which position? \_\_\_\_\_  
(see positions noted below)

b) How long have you been a resident or business owner/operator in the City of Stockbridge? \_\_\_ Years \_\_\_ Months

c) Are you current with all of your financial obligations to the City?  Yes  No

d) Are you willing and available to attend training sessions on-site and/or off-site if provided by the City?  Yes  No

e) Available Boards and Commissions and their terms and meeting schedules are listed at the end of this application. Are you able to meet the attendance requirements of the position for which you are applying?  Yes  No

f) Do you know of any circumstances that would result in you having to abstain from voting on any action before the Board or Commission?  Yes  No If yes, please explain:

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

g) Do you or your employer, or your spouse, child, relative or their employers, do business with the City of Stockbridge  Yes  No If yes, please explain:

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

h) Do you have any employment or contractual relationship with the City of Stockbridge that would create a continuing or frequently recurring conflict with regard to your participation on a Board or Commission?  Yes  No If yes, please explain:

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**BOARD OR COMMISSION APPLICATION**

i) Please briefly explain your reasons for wishing to serve on the Board or Commission you select:

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j) Are you willing to be considered for appointment to any of the other Boards or Commissions of the City if a position is not available on the Board or Commission of your first choice?  Yes  No If yes, please list the Boards or Commissions for which you would like to be considered (in order of interest):

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**APPLICANT STATEMENT**

I understand that I am applying for appointment to a Board or Commission office of the City of Stockbridge that the appointing authority may require an interview prior to consideration for appointment; that I will be required to take an oath of office to uphold the City's charter and ordinances; that I may be removed from office for any reason permitted by law or City charter; and that my application will remain on file for consideration for a period of six (6) months, after which time, I will need to file a new application. I agree to comply at all times with all requirements of the office for which I am applying and to which I may be appointed. All statements and information provided in this application are true to the best of my knowledge.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Please return signed application to:**

City Clerk  
City of Stockbridge  
4640 North Henry Blvd.  
Stockbridge, Georgia 30281

Fax: 770.389.7912  
Email: vholiday@cityofstockbridge-ga.gov

## BOARD AND COMMISSION INFORMATION

**Council on Aging (COA)** The Henry County Council on Aging is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization made up of nineteen (19) volunteers who serve as directors. Directors are selected by each County Commissioner and City Council members of the four cities. The COA's primary objective is to support programs that serve Henry County senior citizens. Supported programs include Meal-on-Wheels, Nutrition Supplements, In-Home Services, Senior Centers, and Volunteer Activities. The council members serve as advocates on behalf of the senior citizens of Henry County. The COA's primary fundraising event is the Miles-for-Meals Campaign which is held annually on the first Saturday in May. To be eligible to serve as a representative for the City of Stockbridge, an applicant must reside within the city limits of Stockbridge.

**Downtown Development Authority (DDA)** (Regular Meetings are held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month or as necessary) -- The DDA's mission is to oversee the revitalization and redevelopment of the central business district and to develop and promote for the public good and general welfare, trade, commerce, industry and employment opportunities. The DDA is comprised of seven (7) members who are:

(1) a taxpayer residing in the municipal corporation for which the authority is created; or

(2) an owner or operator of a business located within the downtown development area and a taxpayer residing in the county in which is located the City of Stockbridge; (one such director may be a member of the governing body of the City of Stockbridge and not less than four shall be or represent a party who has an economic interest in the redevelopment and revitalization of the downtown development area defined herein).

(3) one director who resides outside the county; in which the City of Stockbridge is located, provided, that director owns a business within the downtown development area and is a resident of the State of Georgia; or own and operate a business within the city. Four of the members must have a specific economic interest in the downtown area. The members are appointed by the Mayor and Council and each serve 4-year terms.

**Zoning Advisory Board (ZAB)** is responsible for reviewing applications for change in the land use and other items as required by the respective ordinances. The ZAB as a whole makes recommendations on zoning changes to the Mayor and Council who make the final decision to approve or deny an applicant's request during a public hearing on the proposal. The ZAB is comprised of five (5) members who are appointed by the City Council. Meetings are typically held once a month, although a called meeting may take place in rare circumstances.

The applicant must reside within the city limits of Stockbridge; be a resident of the United States; be at least 18 years of age; have a high school education or the equivalent; have no felony conviction or be judicially determined to be mentally incompetent (unless disability has been removed). Appointees cannot hold any other public office or position with the City.

**Board of Ethics** – The Board of Ethics consists of three (5) residents of the city to be appointed as follows: the mayor shall appoint one (1) resident; and the council members, exclusive of the mayor and by an affirmative vote of the majority of its members, shall appoint three (3) residents. The mayor shall appoint a fifth member, said appointment to be confirmed by the city council. The third member of the board of ethics and all shall serve a two-year term. In the event of a vacancy due to resignation, death, incapacity, disqualification or removal for cause, the appointing party (i.e. the mayor or the council) shall appoint a new qualified resident to fill the remainder of the term. No person shall serve on the board of ethics if the person has, or has had within the preceding one (1) year period, any interest in any contract or contracting opportunity with the city or has been employed by the city. Members of the board of ethics with any permit or rezoning application pending before the city, or any pending or potential litigation against the city or any city official charged in the complaint shall be disqualified from serving on the board of ethics for that complaint. An alternative member of the board of ethics shall be selected in the same manner as the disqualified individual. No person shall serve on the board of ethics who has been convicted of a felony involving moral turpitude in this state or in any other state, unless such person's civil rights have been restored and at least ten (10) years have elapsed from the date of the completion of the sentence without a subsequent conviction of another felony involving moral turpitude. No person shall serve on the board of ethics who is less than twenty one (21) year of age, who holds a public elective office, who is physically or mentally unable to discharge the duties of a member of the board of ethics, or who is not qualified to be a registered voter in the City of Stockbridge.

**Main Street Advisory Board** — The Stockbridge Main Street Program is a community-driven initiative that focuses on conscientious revitalization of the Historic Downtown area. Based on the [Main Street Four-Point Approach™](#) which explores the four areas of Downtown **Design, Economic Restructuring, Promotion and Organization**, the underlying premise of the Main Street concept is to encourage economic development, within the context of historic preservation, in ways that are appropriate for today's marketplace. Main Street programs across the nation advocate a return to community self-reliance, local empowerment, and the

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rebuilding of traditional commercial districts based on their unique assets—distinctive architecture, a pedestrian-friendly environment, personal service, local ownership, and a sense of community. The Main Street Advisory Board is comprised of 11 members and will meet once per month (or as necessary). Each Board Member must agree to serve on at least one committee.

Position	Status	Term	Term Notes
City Council Member	Ex officio <sup>1</sup> Board Member	1 year	Can be reappointed based on the calendar year, and approval by the City Council
Representative from the Downtown Development Authority	Ex Officio Member	1 year	Can be reappointed by the organization, then approved by the City Council.
2 - Stockbridge Residents	Regular Board Member	2 years	Can be reappointed by City Council
2 - Stockbridge Business or Property Owners / Operators (Within the Main Street District)	Regular Board Member	2 years	Can be reappointed by City Council
2- Stockbridge Business or Property Owners / Operators (Outside of the Main Street District)	Regular Board Member	2 years	Can be reappointed by City Council
Architect, Contractor, Interior Designer, or Landscape Architect (Henry County-based)	Regular Board Member	2 years	Can be reappointed by City Council
Representative from a Stockbridge-based Arts Organization	Regular Board Member	1 year	Can be reappointed by the organization, then approved by the City Council.
Representative from a Stockbridge-based financial institution	Regular Board Member	1 year	Can be reappointed by the financial institution, then approved by the City Council.

**Main Street Advisory Board Offices<sup>2</sup>** President Vice-President Secretary

<sup>1</sup> An Ex-Officio Board Member serves on the Board because of another office or position that he/she currently holds. The term is Latin, meaning literally "from the office", and the sense intended is "by right of office." Ex Officio members are afforded the same rights as regular Board members, including debate, making formal motions, and voting.

<sup>2</sup> There is no need for a separate position of Treasurer – City Finance Team will handle financial needs.

### PROCEDURES FOR BOARD OR COMMISSION APPOINTMENT

- 1) Approximately four weeks before the end of a Board or Commission term, the City Manager will notify the Mayor and Council and the members of the Board or Committee affected of the positions and citizens whose terms will be expiring.
- 2) The City Manager will cause this information to be posted via the City's bulletin board, printed newsletter or other means to inform the residents in the city. This notice will also include qualifications (if any) to serve. The Mayor and Council will set the timeframe for the acceptance of applicants.
- 3) Applications may be sent to the City Clerk. The Mayor and Council may interview candidates at its discretion. The Mayor and Council retain all responsibilities and rights to select candidates, nominate and confirm appointments as required by City Ordinance.
- 4) After any appointment, the new Board or Commission member, as well as the other members of that Board or Commission will receive notice of the appointment.