

CITY OF APACHE JUNCTION BOARD & COMMISSION MEMBERS AND TERMS-2025

Apache Junction Sewer District (Superstition Mountains CFD No. 1)

The Superstition Mountains Community Facilities District No. 1 was formed by the Apache Junction City Council in July 1992, pursuant to Title 48, Chapter 4, Article 6 of the Arizona Revised Statutes as a separate governmental entity from the City and is governed by an independent, voluntary, five-member Board of Directors. The District is an independent, public, non-profit utility developed solely for the benefit of its customers and the Apache Junction community to operate and maintain a regional system for the collection, transport, and treatment of sewage from the properties existing within its boundaries.

There are five (5) members, members must be property owners within the service boundaries who own no more than 40 acres. Members are appointed to a **(6)** six-year terms.

The board meets once a month and holds special meetings when necessary. **Last met September 2025**

Board Liaison – Evie McKinney, 480-982-8002, mckinney@apachejunctionaz.gov

There are no open positions.

Terms Expiring 2026	Terms Expiring 2028	Terms Expiring 2029
Roy Starr 1st Term Nov 01, 2020 to Oct 31, 2026 *filled vacancy	Jesse Gage - Resident 2nd Term Jun 21, 2016 to Jul 07, 2028	
Kathleen Waldron - Resident 2nd Term Nov 01, 2020 to Oct 31, 2026	James M Reynolds – Non-Resident 2nd Term Jun 21, 2016 to Jul 07, 2028	
	Philip A Tremonti – Non-Resident 2nd Term Dec 19, 2017 to Jul 07, 2028	

Interviewing		Also Applied for	City Resident
Incumbent Applicants:			
New Applicants:			

Note: Changed Board name in Spring 2023

Board of Adjustment

The primary duty of this Board is to hear and decide appeals or decisions made by the Zoning Administrator in enforcement of the Zoning Ordinance. Members also hear appeals from the Zoning Administrator's decisions in granting or denying issuance of building use permits, and hear and decide all matters referred to the Board by the Zoning Administrator.

****Hear variances to zoning matters**

There are seven (7) members who must be city residents. Members are appointed for a **(3)** three-year term.

The board meets on an as-needed basis. **Last met March 2024.**

Board Liaison – Rudy Esquivias, 480-474-5083, resquivias@apachejunctionaz.gov

Positions to be filled 2.

Terms Expiring 2025	Terms Expiring 2026	Terms Expiring 2027
Tim Brechon - Resident 1st Term Nov 01, 2022 to Oct 31,2025	Rod Martin - Resident 1st Term Nov 01, 2023 to Oct 31,2026	Stephen Harshman - Resident 1st Term Nov 01, 2024 to Oct 31,2027
Michael D McGraw - Resident 1st Term Nov 01, 2022 to Oct 31, 2025	Frank Schoenbeck - Resident 1st Term Nov 01, 2023 to Oct 31, 2026	Jaime Lanza - Resident 1st Term Nov 01, 2024 to Oct 31, 2027
		Vacant *not appointed in 2024 Nov 01, 2024 to Oct 31, 2027

Interviewing		Also Applied for	City Resident
Incumbent Applicants:			
New Applicants:	Lamont Klepper	Parks & Rec Planning and Zoning	Y
	Catherine Meek	HHSC MPC Parks and Rec Planning and Zoning	Y
	John Gordon	Const Board of Appeals Parks & Rec Planning and Zoning	Y

***Members cannot serve on Planning & Zoning if on Board of Adjustment**

Construction Board of Appeals

The primary duty of the Board is to hear and decide appeals made by individuals regarding construction codes and decisions made by the Building and Safety Manager. In addition, to provide for reasonable interpretations of the provisions of the Technical Codes to determine the suitability of alternate materials and methods of construction, and to recommend changes of the various building and fire codes to the Building and Safety Manager. ****Members can sit on BOA and/or P&Z**

There are five (5) members they do not need to be residents of the city. Members are appointed to a **(3)** three-year term.

Members consist of:

- 1 architect or engineer licensed by the State of Arizona,
- 1 general building contractor licensed by the State of Arizona and experienced in the construction of commercial/industrial buildings, (**George Ellison**)
- 1 licensed residential homebuilder experienced in the construction of 1- and 2-family dwelling units,
- 1 electrical, plumbing, or mechanical contractor licensed by the State of Arizona, and
- 1 general public member (Lay person).

Board members meet only on an as-needed basis. **Last met in 1992.**

Board Liaison – Rudy Esquivias, 480-474-5083, resquivias@apachejunctionaz.gov

Positions to be filled 3 (Currently one member is a resident)

- **1 Architect/Engineer**
- **1 Non-General Contractor - Residential**
- **1 Lay-person**

Terms Expiring 2025	Terms Expiring 2026	Terms Expiring 2027
Dave M Hantzsche - Resident 3rd Term Nov 1, 2017 to Oct 31, 2025 Position General Public member (lay person)	George Ellison – Non-Resident 1st Term Nov 1, 2023 to Oct 31, 2026 Position General Contractor	Stephen Harshman – Resident 1st Term Nov 1, 2024 to Oct 31, 2027 Position Non- General Contractor
Vacant Term Nov 1, 2021 to Oct 31, 2024 Position Non-General Contractor - Residential		
Vacant Term Nov 1, 2018 to Oct 31, 2023 Position Architect/Engineer		

Interviewing		Also Applied for	City Resident
Incumbent Applicants:	Dave Hantzsche	MPC Planning and Zoning	Y

New Applicants:	John Gordon	Board of Adjustment Parks & Rec Planning and Zoning	Y
	Esther Mcgrath	Planning and Zoning Public Art	Y

Health and Human Services Commission

This Commission conducts public hearings to determine the needs of City residents with regard to public health, provision of human services and care of the elderly, handicapped and developmentally disabled. Commissions enhance the development of public health through public forums, seminars, and work with other agencies. The Commission reviews requests submitted by health and human services providers for the City funding and makes recommendations to the Council regarding such funding. The group assists in the development of health care facilities and also makes recommendations regarding elderly health care and emergency transportation programs.

There are seven (7) members, at least 4 of the 7 members shall be residents of the city, and no more than 3 being non-residents from within the zone of influence.

No individual shall be appointed to this commission if the individual has received funding from the city either as an individual or if such person has served on the board of an agency or been the employee of an agency that has received funding from the city at any time during the preceding 12 months. Members are appointed for a **(3)** three-year term.

This commission meets as needed. **Last met April 2025.**

Board Liaison – Evie McKinney, 480-982-8002, mckinney@apachejunctionaz.gov

Positions to be filled 3 – 2 must be a resident.

Terms Expiring 2025	Terms Expiring 2026	Terms Expiring 2027
Jeffrey F Danford - Resident 1st Term Nov 01, 2022 to Oct 31, 2025	Della Wood - Resident 1st Term Nov 01, 2023 to Oct 31, 2026	Sandra Mykland - Resident 1st Term Nov 01, 2024 to Oct 31, 2027
Heather M Moeller - Resident 1st Term Nov 01, 2022 to Oct 31, 2025	Angela Smithson –Non-Resident 1st Term Nov 01, 2023 to Oct 31, 2026	Michael Brennan –Non-Resident 2nd Term Nov 01, 2024 to Oct 31, 2027
Penny Voisine – Non-Resident 1st Term Nov 1, 2023 to Oct 31, 2025		

Interviewing		Also Applied for	City Resident
Incumbent Applicants:	Jeffrey Danford	Public Art Commission	Y
	Heather Moeller	Parks & Rec	Y
New Applicants:	Jill Bright	Parks & Rec	Y
	Chris Carson	Public Art Commission	N
	Daniel Caufield		Y
	Myra Garcia	Library Board	N

	Catherine Meek	MPC Parks & Rec Planning and Zoning	Y
	Dwan Montgomery		Y

Industrial Development Authority

The Industrial Development Authority's main purpose is to be a funding mechanism for tax-exempt, low interest bond financing made available by Federal law for certain eligible construction projects. State and Federal laws restrict the types and cost of projects the Authority may finance. In Arizona, the beneficiaries of such funding are almost always 501 (c) (3) entities like hospitals, private universities, charter schools, museums, etc. Financing must meet state bond law requirements and, unless issued on a taxable basis, must also meet state and federal income tax rules for tax-exempt bonds. The Apache Junction Industrial Development Authority Board only meets on an as-needed basis as outside entities request consideration of this financing tool.

There are seven (7) members who must be city residents. Members are appointed for a (6) six-year term.

Meetings are held on an as-needed basis. **Last met in December 1989**

Board Liaison – Dawn McCollum, 480-474-5066, dmcollum@apachejunctionaz.gov

There are no open positions.

Terms Expiring 2026	Terms Expiring 2027	Terms Expiring 2028
Jaime Lanza - Resident 1st Term Nov 01, 2021 to Oct 31, 2026	Frank Schoenbeck 1st Term Nov 01, 2021 to Oct 31, 2027	Vacant Term Nov 01, 2022 to Oct 31, 2028
Catherine Meek 1stTerm Nov 01, 2020 to Oct 31, 2026	Vacant Term Nov 01, 2021 to Oct 31, 2027	Vacant Term Nov 01, 2022 to Oct 31, 2028
Stephen Harshman 1st Term Nov 01, 2020 to Oct 31, 2026		

Interviewing		Also Applied for	City Resident
Incumbent Applicants:			
New Applicants:			

Library Board

The primary responsibility of this Board is to inform and advise the City Council on matters of public interest and need in relation to the resources and services of the Apache Junction Public Library. Members also recommend the policy for governing, control and improvement of the Library, and promote the public's awareness of the services available at the Library.

There are seven (7) members who must be city residents. Members are appointed to serve **(3)** three-year terms.

The board meets once a month. **Last met September 2025.**

Board Liaison - Sencie Lee-Brown, 480-474-8571, sleebrown@apachejunctionaz.gov

Positions to be filled 3.

Terms Expiring 2025	Terms Expiring 2026	Terms Expiring 2027
Sheryl Bigelow - Resident 1st Term Nov 1, 2022 to Oct 31, 2025	Catherine Meek - Resident 1st Term Nov 1, 2023 to Oct 31, 2026	Vera Walters - Resident 2nd Term Nov 1, 2024 to Oct 31, 2027
Robin Barker - Resident 1st Term Nov 1, 2022 to Oct 31, 2025	Barbara Fitzgerald - Resident 1st Term Nov 1, 2023 to Oct 31, 2026	Nola Perkins - Resident 1st Term Nov 1, 2024 to Oct 31, 2027
Judy Borey - Resident 4th Term Nov 1, 2022 to Oct 31, 2025		

Interviewing		Also Applied for	City Resident
Incumbent Applicants:	Robin Barker	Parks & Rec Planning and Zoning	Y
	Judy Borey	Parks & Rec	Y
New Applicants:	Channan Cassella		Y
	Myra Garcia	HHSC	N
	Alexandra Wyroba		Y

Municipal Property Corporation

The primary duties of this Corporation are related to City bond issues that are under consideration. The Corporation reviews the City's Annual Report and Certificate of Disclosure at the end of each fiscal year. The group is required by the Arizona Corporation Commission to file a Corporation Annual Report and Certification of Disclosure along with the Listing of all Municipal Corporation Officers and Directors. This report must include the City's annual Assets and Liabilities.

There are five (5) members who must be city residents. Members are appointed to serve a (3) three-year term.

The corporation meets annually and when a bond issue may be considered. **Last met October 2025.**

Board Liaison – Dawn McCollum, 480-474-5066, dmcollum@apachejunctionaz.gov

Positions to be filled 2.

Terms Expiring 2025	Terms Expiring 2026	Terms Expiring 2027
Dave M Hantzsche - Resident 2nd Term Nov 01, 2022 to Oct 31, 2025	Frank Schoenbeck - Resident 2nd Term Nov 01, 2023 to Oct 31, 2026	Roy Starr - Resident 1st Term Nov 01, 2024 to Oct 31, 2027
Vacant Term Nov 01, 2021 to Oct 31, 2024		Stephen Harshman - Resident 1st Term Nov 01, 2024 to Oct 31, 2027

Interviewing		Also Applied for	City Resident
Incumbent Applicants:	Dave Hantzsche	Const Board of Appeals Planning and Zoning	Y
New Applicants:	Felicia Acuna		Y
	Catherine Meek	HHSC Parks & Rec Planning and Zoning	Y

Parks and Recreation Commission

This Commission recommends regulations and policies for the government, control and improvement of the public parks. The Commission also recommends fees for the use of public park facilities and other changes as necessary for the efficient management of the City parks and the City's recreation program.

There are seven (7) members who must be city residents. Members are appointed for a **(3)** three-year term.

The commission meets once a month. **Last met September 2025.**

Board Liaison – Christi Hamm, 480-474-5079, chamm@apachejunctionaz.gov

Positions to be filled 2, plus 1 vacancy.

Terms Expiring 2025	Terms Expiring 2026	Terms Expiring 2027
Sheryl Bigelow - Resident 1st Term Nov 01, 2022 to Oct 31, 2025	Felicia Madrid - Resident 1st Term Nov 01, 2023 to Oct 31, 2026	Frank Schoenbeck - Resident 1st Term Nov 01, 2024 to Oct 31, 2027
Heather M Moeller - Resident 3rd Term Nov 01, 2022 to Oct 31, 2025	Judy Borey - Resident 3rd Term Nov 01, 2023 to Oct 31, 2026	Vacant Term Nov 01, 2024 to Oct 31, 2027
	Diele Kyhn - Resident 2nd Term Nov 01, 2023 to Oct 31, 2026	

Interviewing		Also Applied for	City Resident
Incumbent Applicants:	Heather Moeller	HHSC	Y
New Applicants:	Robin Barker	Library Board Planning and Zoning	Y
	Jill Bright	HHSC	Y
	Charles Evans		Y
	John Gordon	Board of Adjustment Const Board of Appeals Planning and Zoning	Y
	Lamont Klepper	Board of Adjustment Planning and Zoning	Y

	Catherine Meek	Board of Adjustment HHSC MPC Planning and Zoning	Y
	Manny Vega		Y

Planning and Zoning Commission

The primary duties of this commission is to formulate, create and administer any lawful plan duly adopted by the governing body for the present and future growth of the city pertaining to the use of land and buildings for any purpose, together with all incidental activities usually associated therewith and commonly known as "Planning and Zoning." This commission shall also make or cause to be made a continuous study of the best present and future use to which land and buildings shall be put within the city and in cooperation with adjacent areas, and to recommend to the governing body revisions in the plans which, in the opinion of the commission, are for the best interest of the citizens of the city, and promulgate rules of procedure and to supervise the enforcement of rules so promulgated by the commission and approved by the governing body.

There are seven (7) members who must be city residents. Members are appointed to serve a (3) three-year term.

The commission meets twice a month. **Last met August 2025.**

Board Liaison – Julie Christiansen, 480-474-5083, jchristiansen@apachejunctionaz.gov

Positions to be filled 2.

Terms Expiring 2025	Terms Expiring 2026	Terms Expiring 2027
Dave M Hantzsche - Resident 3rd Term Nov 01, 2019 to Oct 31, 2025	Sheryl Bigelow - Resident 1st Term Nov 01, 2023 to Oct 31, 2026	Roy Starr - Resident 1st Term Nov 01, 2024 to Oct 31, 2027
Robin Barker - Resident 2nd Term Jan 01, 2021 to Oct 31, 2025	Jesse Gage - Resident 2nd Term Jan 01, 2023 to Oct 31, 2026	Sandra Mykland - Resident 1st Term Jan 01, 2024 to Oct 31, 2027
	Ari Kalan - Resident 2nd Term Jan 01, 2023 to Oct 31, 2026	

Interviewing		Also Applied for	City Resident
Incumbent Applicants:	Robin Barker	Library Board Parks & Rec	Y
	Dave Hantzsche	Const Board of Appeals MPC	Y
New Applicants:	John Gordon	Board of Adjustment Const Board of Appeals Parks & Rec	Y
	Stephen Harshman		Y
	Nicholas Kelley		Y
	Lamont Klepper	Board of Adjustment Parks & Rec	Y
	Elisa Krcilek		Y
	Esther McGrath	Const Board of Appeals Public Art	Y

	Catherine Meek	Board of Adjustment HHSC MPC Parks & Rec	Y
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Public Arts Commission

This commission promotes and encourages diverse citizen participation in public art. Members assist corporations, commercial developments, and other private and governmental entities to incorporate public art and recommend the operating and capital improvement program budgets for the public art program. The commission also conducts the request for qualifications process for all public art installations and reviews gifts of art offered to the city for artistic and cultural purposes. They provide information, recommendations and advise city council and staff on public art policies and initiatives relating to the city's mission and vision statements for all art. They serve as the recommending body on public art projects relating to art in public places and as the recommending body on public art projects relating to art in private development.

The Public Arts Commission shall consist of five (5) members, at a minimum, the commission shall have three Apache Junction city residents represented. Members are appointed to a three (3) year term.

Membership shall be comprised as follows:

- 1 member: practicing artist (either resident or not) from the visual arts discipline;
- 4 members: a person (either resident or not) with a general interest in art

Board Liaison – Rudy Esquivias, 480-474-5083, resquivias@apachejunctionaz.gov

Meetings are held on an as-needed basis. Last met April 2025

Positions to be filled 2.

Terms Expiring 2025	Terms Expiring 2026	Terms Expiring 2027
Jeffrey F Danford - Resident 2nd Term Nov 01, 2020 to Oct 31, 2025 Reappointed -interested in art	Angela Smithson –Non-Resident 1st Term Nov 01, 2023 to Oct 31, 2026 Interested in art	
Jaime Lanza - Resident 1st Term Nov 01, 2022 to Oct 31, 2025 Interested in art	Gretchen Klett - Resident 2nd Term Nov 01, 2023 to Oct 31, 2026 Practicing Artist	
	Catherine Meek - Resident 1st Term Nov 01, 2023 to Oct 31, 2026 Interested in art	

Interviewing		Also Applied for	City Resident
Incumbent Applicants:	Jeffrey Danford	HHSC	Y
	Jamie Lanza		Y
New Applicants:	Chris Carson	HHSC	N
	Janet Cooper		Y
	Anne Ellis		N

	Esther Mcgrath	Planning and Zoning Const Board of Appeals	Y
	Lori Medina		Y

Public Safety Personnel Retirement Board

This board, required by state law section 38-847, is responsible for acting on applications for Deferred Retirement Option Plan (DROP), normal retirement, accidental, disability retirements and survivor benefits filed by system members.

There are five (5) members consisting of the mayor as board chair, two citizen members (who do not have to be city residents) and two members from the Apache Junction Police Department. Board members are appointed for (4) four-year term.

This board is required to meet at least two times a year and meets more as necessary. **Last met June 2025**

Board Liaison – Evie McKinney, 480-982-8002, mckinney@apachejunctionaz.gov

There are no open positions.

Terms Expiring 2026	Terms Expiring 2027	Terms Expiring 2028
Jaime Lanza - Citizen 2 nd Term Nov 01, 2020 to Oct 31, 2026	Chip Wilson – Mayor 2 nd Term Jan 01, 2025 – Jan 01, 2027	Ron Neitzer - Citizen 2 nd Term Nov 01, 2024 to Oct 31, 2028
Ernest Eaton – Police Rep 2 nd Term Nov 01, 2018 to Oct 31, 2026 Police Representative		Chris Sabo – Police Rep 2 nd Term Nov 01, 2024 to Oct 31, 2028 Police Representative

Interviewing		Also Applied for	City Resident
Incumbent Applicants:			
New Applicants:			