Advisory Board Work Session

August 8, 2017
Strategic Plan Initiative

• *Inventory and evaluate the role of existing advisory boards and commissions and identify opportunities to consolidate or sunset as appropriate, and adopt consistent operating guidelines.*

• No action this evening, but provide direction regarding possible future action
### Matrix

- Provides information and background on advisory boards, boards to which the City Commission makes appointments, governing boards, joint boards and steering committees.
Policy

- Diversity goal
- Partial term will not count toward term limits
- Orientation
- Bylaws require Commission approval
- Boards should have email list and post agendas ahead of meetings

- Regular full and part-time employees cannot serve as voting members on boards to avoid potential conflict of interest
- Opportunity for public comment should be provided at advisory board meetings
Term Limits

• Lack of consistency with term limits
• Pros: help promote diversity of opinions and ideas and maximize number of people involved with local government
• Cons: Loss of experience and possible challenge finding qualified board members
Recommended Consolidations

• Joint Economic Development Council (JEDC) and the Public Incentives Review Committee (PIRC)
• Lawrence Alliance and the Human Relations Commission
• Funding Recommendation Boards - Social Service Funding Advisory Board and Transient Guest Tax Program Advisory Board.
Recommended Consolidations (continued)

• Code Appeals Boards – Building Code Board of Appeals, Electrical Code Board of Appeals, Mechanical Board of Appeals, Plumbing Code Board of Appeals, Fire Code Board of Appeals, and Contractor Licensing Board.

• Parks and Recreation Advisory Board and Lawrence Cultural Arts Commission
Recommended Eliminations

• Sister City Advisory Board
• Community Development Advisory Committee
• Homeless Issues Advisory Committee
• Sales Tax Audit Committee
Obsolete Boards

- Lawrence Advisory Board on University Student Issues
- Downtown Parking Advisory Board
- ECO2 Commission
Boards for Further Study

- Public Transit Advisory Committee
- Airport Advisory Board