

EXHIBIT A – MISSIONS AND ASSIGNMENTS

UPPER MERION TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

Ordinance No. 85-473 (Adopted 04/01/85)

Resolution No. 90-41 (Adopted 09/24/90)

UPPER MERION GENERAL AUTHORITY

Ordinance No. 90-41 (Adopted 09/24/90)

The purpose of the Upper Merion Transportation Authority shall be for the acquiring, holding, construction, improving, maintaining and operating, owning, leasing, either in the capacity of lessor or lessee, projects of the following kind and character:

Highways, parkways, transportation, traffic distribution centers and other business improvements including street paving, street lighting, parking lots, parking garages, and all facilities necessary or incident thereto. The Authority is authorized to set rates and impose charges for such improvements as permitted by law. The Board of Supervisors will retain the right which exists under the law to approve any plan of the Authority for the purpose of making business improvements or providing administrative services. The members of the Upper Merion Transportation Authority also serve as the Upper Merion General Authority.

The Upper Merion General Authority was organized for the purpose of overseeing the expansion of the existing Township Building and Facilities and the funding of the expansion project. The Upper Merion Transportation Authority and Upper Merion General Authority meet on the second Wednesday monthly at 7:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. respectively. The Authorities are comprised of five members appointed for five-year terms.

UPPER MERION MUNICIPAL UTILITY AUTHORITY

Ordinance No. 86-487 (Adopted 07/21/86)

The Upper Merion Municipal Utility Authority is responsible to the Board of Supervisors for the sewerage of Upper Merion Township. Members of the Authorities shall have a background in business and finance and related field.

The Authority meets on the third Tuesday monthly at 7:00 p.m. Members of the Authority are appointed for a five-year term.

ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:

A citizen appointed commission dedicated to studying the impact of Upper Merion's and the State's current tax structure on residents, and innovative ways to simulate our economic development. The task of the new EDC will be to analyze the Township's current tax structure and suggest additional revenue streams to the Board of Supervisors. Additionally, the seven individuals on the Committee will examine innovative ways to encourage economic development in Upper Merion. The Economic Development Committee meets on the third (3rd) Monday monthly at 7:00 p.m.

ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL:

Resolution Nos. 74-22, 85-45 & 95-37 (Adopted 06/01/95)

The EAC shall act as an advisory board to the Board of Supervisors and advise the Board, upon request, and make recommendations for the adoption and establishment of rules and regulations necessary to conserve the interests of the Township. The Council shall also review all environmental laws and make such interim reports as are deemed advisable. When necessary, the EAC may hold public meetings for the purpose of collecting information and obtaining public testimony on environmental issues being studied by the Council. When authorized by the Board of Supervisors, the Council may contract with environmental experts and other consultants for such technical services as it may require. The EAC may also review permit applications as submitted to the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Resources for their impact upon the Township. The EAC is composed of seven members who serve three-year terms. The EAC meets on the third (3rd) Tuesday monthly at 7:15 p.m.

FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICES BOARD:

Ordinance No. 94-619 (Adopted 03/17/94)

The Fire and Rescue Services Board shall consist of the following members:

Elected Chief of each Township volunteer emergency services company
(or the designee of each Chief authorized on a yearly basis by the
respective Chief to act on behalf of that respective Chief);
Board of Supervisors Liaison (ex-officio)
Chief Fire Marshal (ex-officio)
Three appointed civilian members.

The Fire Rescue Services Board shall make recommendations to the Board of Supervisors, through the Township Manager, in such matters as:

Apparatus specifications
Apparatus purchases
Major equipment purchases

Financial allocations and/or loans
Uniform division policies and procedures
Running schedules
Safety and Training
Non-personnel grievances.

The Fire and Rescue Services Board shall establish the following standing committees and such other committees or subcommittees, as deemed necessary:

Apparatus Committee: Consists of Chief Engineers and one service provider member appointed by the Chief of each of the member companies, and the Deputy Fire Marshal.

Finance Committee: Consists of the Treasurers of the member companies, the Treasurer of the Upper Merion Firemen's Relief Association and the Financial Director of the Township.

Executive Committee: Consists of the Chiefs and Presidents of each of the member companies, the Police Patrol Lieutenant (ex-officio), and the Chief Fire Marshal.

The Fire and Rescue Services Board shall prepare and maintain a five-year Capital Budget regarding Township allocations and shall submit this Capital Budget to the Township Manager in accordance with the budget calendar adopted by the Township each year.

The Fire and Rescue Services Board, after due consideration of each company's proposed annual budget, shall submit to the Township Manager a division operating budget in accordance with the budget calendar adopted by the Township each year.

The Fire and Rescue Services Board meets the second Tuesday monthly at 7:30 p.m. and members serve two-year terms.

LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

Ordinance No. 106 (Adopted 07/19/61)

Ordinance 91-953 (Adopted 12/31/91)

Library Board of Trustees shall consist of seven citizens of Upper Merion Township appointed by the Board of Supervisors. The Library Board of Trustees shall have the authority to adopt such rules and regulations as may be necessary for the planning, conducting and maintaining a free, public nonsectarian library for the use of the residents of the Township. The Library Board of Trustees is guided by the standards laid down by the Commonwealth Library of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. The affairs of the Township public library shall be under the control of the Library Board of Trustees. No member of the Library Board of Trustees shall receive any salary for his services.

All moneys appropriated for the establishment or maintenance, or both, of a free, public, nonsectarian library, and all moneys, if any, received from other sources for its use, shall be under the exclusive control and shall be disbursed under the direction of the Board of Supervisors.

The Library Board of Trustees is comprised of seven members who serve three-year terms and meet on the third (3rd) Monday Monthly at 6:45 p.m.

MEDIA COMMUNICATONS ADVISORY BOARD:
Ordinance No. 91-591 (Adopted 10/07/91)

The Media Communications Advisory Board shall have the following purposes:

To assist in promoting and developing the best use by the Township of all media communications options in Upper Merion, and to advise the Board of Supervisors on the operation of cable technology within the Township.

To review operating and capital budget requirements for the operation of media communications and to advise on expenditures for the operation of the Government Access Channel, including the purchase of equipment.

Through a liaison from the cable franchisee, along with the Public Information Officer, the Board will monitor the operation of cable television and make recommendations to the Board of Supervisors, as necessary, for utilization of all forms of media for the dissemination of information pertaining to the Township community.

To develop ideas for local programming on the public and government access channels and ways to utilize the media for the dissemination of information.

The Media Communications Advisory Board meets on the second (2nd) Monday monthly at 7:00 p.m. Its membership is comprised of seven members serving three-year terms.

PARK AND RECREATION BOARD:
Ordinance No. 99-692 (Adopted 09/09/99)

This Board adopts rules and regulations governing park use and advises the Board of Supervisors on all matters pertaining to the park system and recreation programs, including each fiscal year's proposed capital and operating budgets. The Board is responsible for policy decisions relative to park acquisition, program development in the area of recreation and the continuing study of development for parks and recreation in future years. The Park and Recreation Board works in conjunction with the Director of Parks and Recreation.

The Board meets on the second (2nd) Tuesday monthly at 7:30 p.m. and is comprised of seven members serving five-year terms. Two members of the Park and Recreation Board are appointed by the School Board of Directors.

PENSION ADVISORY BOARD/HEALTH AND WELFARE BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

Resolution No. 80-38 (Adopted 04/14/80)

Resolution No. 80-63 (Adopted 10/13/80)

Qualifications for this citizen board include knowledge or experience in pension programming and have a background in Human Resources and Employee Benefits. The term is three years and this Board is composed of two Township residents, Chief of Police, Township Manager, Board of Supervisors liaison and an employee representative from the non-uniformed and uniformed Township employees groups. This Board monitors the uniformed and non-uniformed pension plans and hears appeals to decisions made by the health care plan administrators.

PLANNING COMMISSION:

Ordinance 87-510 06/01/87

Ordinance 91-595 (Adopted 12/31/91)

According to the Municipalities Planning Code (MPC) 19th Edition of September 2009, the Planning Commission shall at the request of the governing body have the power and shall be required to:

Prepare the Comprehensive Plan for the development of the municipality as set forth in the MPC and present it for the consideration of the governing body.

Maintain and keep on file records of its action and shall remain in the possession of the governing body.

Make recommendations to the governing body concerning the adoption or amendment of an official map.

Prepare and present to the governing body a zoning ordinance and building code and make recommendations on proposed amendments thereto as set forth in the MPC.

Prepare, recommend and administer subdivision and land development and planned residential development regulations, as set forth in the MPC.

Do such other acts or make such studies as necessary to fulfill the duties and obligations imposed by the MPC.

Prepare and present to the governing body an environmental and water survey, which shall be consistent with the State Water Plan and any applicable water resources plan adopted by a river basin commission. The water study shall be conducted in consultation with the area public water supplier.

Submit to the governing body a recommended capital improvements program.

Promote public interest in, and understanding of, the Comprehensive Plan and planning.

Prepare and present to the governing body a study regarding the feasibility and practicability of using renewable energy sources in specific areas within the Township.

Review the zoning ordinance, subdivision and land development ordinance, official map, provisions for planned residential development, and such other ordinances and regulations governing the development of land no less frequently than it reviews the Comprehensive Plan.

The basic responsibility of the Planning Commission is to see that existing land is used in the very best interest of the Township as well as the landowner. The Planning Commission conducts studies that will affect the Township in the years to come, examines subdivision plans and conducts meetings upon request of developers and those seeking a change in the zoning classification of real estate. The Planning Commission makes recommendations to the Board of Supervisors for upgrading section of the Zoning Code.

The Planning Commission meets on the second and fourth Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. and is comprised of five members serving four-year terms.

POLICE CITIZEN ADVISORY BOARD:

Ordinance No. 95-630 (Adopted 11/16/95)

The Police Citizen Advisory Board is appointed by the Board of Supervisors and is composed of eight members. The Police Citizen Advisory Board promotes communication of public safety issues between citizens and the police department. Assists in identifying community problems and developing responsive solutions. Membership includes seven residents who serve staggered three-year terms. This Board meets quarterly on the second Tuesday at 7:00 P.M..

SHADE TREE AND BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION:

Ordinance No. 61-108 (Adopted 09/11/61)

Ordinance No. 62-121 (Adopted 11/12/62)

Ordinance No. 82-430 (Adopted 03/08/82)

The Shade Tree and Beautification Commission is a five-member Board appointed by the Board of Supervisors serving five-year terms. This Commission has the authority to adopt such rules and regulations as may be necessary for the purpose of carrying out the intent of Chapter 55 of Code of Upper Merion Township. Such regulations for the planting, care, trimming and removal of trees shall not only be aimed at the elimination of economic waste by reason of damage to public property and/or the property of others and the public health, safety, and welfare, but also the beautification of the streets, highways, avenues, parks and parkways, and other public areas of the Township. In carrying out the provisions of Chapter 55, it may be guided by the standards of the National Shade Tree Conference or any other similar organization that promulgates standards that would carry out the intent of this Chapter.

The Commission has the authority to prepare and adopt a street tree plan for all trees in or upon the public streets, highways, avenues, parks, parkways and other public areas which in its opinion shall effectuate the provisions of this Chapter, provided that such plan shall not become effective until approved by the Board of Supervisors. The Commission members shall serve without compensation. This commission meets quarterly on the 2nd Wednesday at 7:00 P.M.

ZONING HEARING BOARD:

Article IX, Municipalities Planning Code

The membership of the Zoning Hearing Board shall be three residents of the municipality appointed by the Board of Supervisors and shall serve a three-year term. This board meets on the first and third Wednesday monthly at 7:00 P.M. The board also has an alternate member appointed by the Board of Supervisors.

The Board may make, alter and rescind rules and forms for its procedure, consistent with ordinances of the municipality and laws of the Commonwealth. The Board shall keep full public records of its business, which records shall be the property of the municipality and shall submit a report of its activities to the governing body as requested by the governing body, but at least annually.

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The Zoning Hearing Board shall have exclusive jurisdiction to hear and render final adjudication's as per Article IX of Municipalities Planning Code.