

Advisory Committee Open Positions Announcement

Livable Communities Advisory Committee (LCAC)
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ABOUT THE COMMITTEE

The Livable Communities Advisory Committee (LCAC) reviews and recommends funding awards under the

- Livable Communities Demonstration Account
- Transit Oriented Development
- Affordable Homeownership

grant categories. This is a technical review group with broad expertise that scores and recommends complex development and redevelopment proposals based on the Metropolitan Council's approved program criteria. Projects applying to the Livable Communities Act programs all aim to create more housing choice, support living wage job creation, and connect jobs, housing, and regional amenities to build a more equitable region.

WHO IS ON THE COMMITTEE?

The LCAC has 15 members who are appointed by the Met Council. The Met Council prioritizes appointing members who represent historically underrepresented communities or those who work directly with historically underrepresented communities, as well as for representation of each of the following areas of expertise:

- Local Government
- Development Finance
- Development
- Affordable Homeownership
- Transportation
- Environment
- Site Design
- Community Engagement

To the extent possible, the Met Council will seek to appoint members from across the region and types of communities (i.e. urban, suburban).

VACANCIES

There are thirteen LCAC openings with two-year terms beginning July 2025.

ENVISION YOURSELF IN THIS ROLE

You would:

- Review and score Livable Communities grant applications
- Influence the final Livable Communities funding recommendations
- Learn about development projects happening across the region

MEETING INFORMATION

Frequency: Up to four meetings per year. Review and meeting schedules vary by grant program; each committee member participates in review for one grant program.

- LCDA and TOD Programs: August-October
- Affordable Homeownership: September-Mid November

Location: Most meetings are held virtually using Microsoft Teams.

Approximate time commitment annually: Approximately 20 hours (10 hours for review and 10 for meeting prep and meeting). This can vary depending on the number of applications to review and the length of each application.

BENEFITS

Serving on this committee is a volunteer role without compensation. Other benefits include:

- An expanded professional network
- Further professional development
- Gain new experience in public service
- Learn about regional housing, transportation, and economic issues to bring to your work and community
- Address challenges and contribute to effective regional growth
- Share perspectives from different parts of the region.

Members are reimbursed for necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties including transit fare or local parking and mileage for meetings. Food is provided during meetings.

WHAT WE DO AT THE METROPOLITAN COUNCIL

The Met Council provides the following services for the seven-county Twin Cities metropolitan region:

- Plans for Future Growth of the Region: As the Metropolitan Planning
 Organization the Met Council plans for future growth and makes strategic, efficient
 public investments to support the region's high quality of life and economic
 competitiveness.
- Operates Metro Transit: Every day, Metro Transit serves bus and rail passengers with award-winning, energy-efficient fleets (nearly 85 million in 2014 or nearly 90% of all regional transit rides). These strategic investments support a growing network of bus and rail transitways, and transit-oriented development.
- Collects and Treats Wastewater: This region collects and treats wastewater at rates 40% lower than peer regions, while winning national awards for excellence.
- Protects and Monitors Clean Water: The Met Council works to ensure adequate clean water for the future through water supply planning and lake and river

- monitoring programs.
- Develops Regional Parks and Trails: The Met Council plans and develops a worldclass regional parks and trails system made up of more than 50 parks and park reserves and more than 340 miles of interconnected trails.
- **Provides Affordable Housing:** The Met Council creates and supports affordable housing opportunities throughout the region by providing affordable housing for 6,500 families in 100 communities through the Metro Housing and Redevelopment Authority (HRA) and establishing regional housing policies and planning.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Complete and submit an online application to join the Livable Communities Advisory Committee on the Met Council website by the priority deadline Monday, May 26, 2025.

Applicants can expect the following steps in the recruitment process:

- 1. Applicant completes and submits application online.
- 2. Selection Committee reviews your application.
- 3. Selected candidates will be invited to a structured panel interview in June.
- 4. Recommendations are made to the Met Council Chair.
- 5. Committee members will be appointed by the Met Council.

QUESTIONS?

If you have questions about the board or the application process, please contact the following Metropolitan Council staff:

Emily Seddon, LCAC staff liaison: emily.seddon@metc.state.mn.us or 651-602-1023

OTHER RESOURCES

Learn more about <u>Livable Communities Act grant programs</u> and <u>view profiles of previously</u> funded projects.