

THE POWER OF "4"

A majority approval by Mayor/Council (4 of 7) is generally all that is required for approval in Richland Hills.

Our regular and special committees and boards are heavy weighted towards the Mayor & City Council, instead of a balance of Government, Residents & Businesses in to represent our community. Boards and Committees are supposed to represent the voices of the community to the government of the community.

If there are 4 or more council members/mayor on a committee, it gives the appearance of a majority of power rather than a balance between all committee members - since many items are finalized (approved) by Council/Mayor. Therefore you have to consider the POWER OF THE "4" in selecting your representatives.

	Mayor/ Council	Staff	Field Experts	Residents	Business Reps	Alt (Res)	Open	Reqd for Approval
2024/25 Comprehensive Plan	4 + 3*	0	0	4	0	0	0	Mayor/CC
Crime Control & Prevention	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
RH Development Corporation	4	0	0	3	0	0	0	4
Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone No. 1	7	0	1	1	0	0	0	?
Planning & Zoning Board	0	0	0	5	0	2	0	4
Building Board of Appeals	7	0	0	0	0	1	1 - Alt	?
Animal Control Board	0	2	2	2	0	2	1 - alt	
* Former Mayor & Council Member								

Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone No. 1	The purpose of the Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone (TIRZ) No. 1 Board is to oversee the project and financing plan for Richland Hills Tax Increment Financing District, known as the Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone No. 1. The TIRZ No. 1 Board is made up of eight members who shall serve for terms of two years each. These seven (typo on RH Website) eight members shall consist of one County representative and seven City representatives.
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Animal Control Board	The Richland Hills Animal Shelter Advisory Board advises the City Council regarding the procedures for the care and maintenance of animal shelter facilities and impounded animals to ensure compliance with state law; and to periodically review the City Animal Control Ordinances and make recommendations for revisions.
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Building Board of Appeals	The powers, duties and responsibilities of the Building Board of Appeals shall be to hear, consider and determine substandard building cases under Chapter 14, Buildings and Building Regulations of the Richland Hills Code and to hear, consider and determine appeals as set forth in all building codes adopted and amended by the City.
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Crime Control & Prevention District	The Crime Control and Prevention District (CCPD) is governed by a seven member board that consists of the Mayor and City Council. The CCPD Board is responsible for establishing the CCPD annual budget, setting policies, overseeing expenditures and evaluating programs funded by the District. Both CCPD and City Council must approve the budget and their amendments.
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Planning & Zoning Commission	The City of Richland Hills Planning & Zoning Commission makes recommendations to the City Council regarding land use issues, rezoning requests, Specific Use Permits, amendments to the zoning ordinance and other development regulations, and amendments to and updates of the Master Plan.
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RH Development Corp.	The City of Richland Hills Development Corporation was created as authorized by the Development Act of 1979, Section 4B, to act on the City's behalf in the promotion and financing of projects for infrastructure improvements, parks and park facilities, and economic development within the City of Richland Hills.
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Zoning Board of Adjustment	<p>The Zoning Board of Adjustment shall have the authority to act upon all matters which it is required or authorized to consider by ordinance or State law. The powers of the Board shall include consideration of the following matters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interpretation and appeals of decisions of the Zoning Administrator • Special exceptions
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- Variances
- Authorization of nonconforming uses
- Other matters as provided by applicable law or ordinance