



**CITY OF TORRANCE MADDY ACT
2026 LOCAL APPOINTMENTS LIST
TERMS EXPIRING JUNE 30, 2026**

*See reverse for additional information on the processes
for applying for a Torrance Advisory Commission.*

*/s/ Rebecca Poirier, City Clerk
March 16, 2026*

AIRPORT	DATE APPOINTED	TERM EXPIRATION	ELIGIBLE FOR REAPPOINTMENT
Eugene Krc Gary Sefarian	07/08/2025 08/09/2022	06/30/2026 06/30/2026	Yes Yes -
CIVIL SERVICE	DATE APPOINTED	TERM EXPIRATION	ELIGIBLE FOR REAPPOINTMENT
Mia Kartsonis	03/25/2025	06/30/2026	Yes
COMMISSION ON AGING	DATE APPOINTED	TERM EXPIRATION	ELIGIBLE FOR REAPPOINTMENT
Unscheduled Vacancy Mary Hileman	07/01/2022	06/30/2026 06/30/2026	- No
CULTURAL ARTS	DATE APPOINTED	TERM EXPIRATION	ELIGIBLE FOR REAPPOINTMENT
Steven Hsiao Unscheduled Vacancy Unscheduled Vacancy	07/01/2022	06/30/2026 06/30/2026 06/30/2028	No - -
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY & ENERGY CONSERVATION	DATE APPOINTED	TERM EXPIRATION	ELIGIBLE FOR REAPPOINTMENT
Unscheduled Vacancy Susan Jendrucko	07/01/2022	06/30/2026 06/30/2026	- Yes
HISTORIC PRESERVATION*	DATE APPOINTED	TERM EXPIRATION	ELIGIBLE FOR REAPPOINTMENT
*requirements for appointment see Ordinance No. 3822			
Gene Higginbotham Unscheduled Vacancy	07/01/2022	06/30/2026 06/30/2026	Yes
LIBRARY	DATE APPOINTED	TERM EXPIRATION	ELIGIBLE FOR REAPPOINTMENT
Unscheduled Vacancy Joy Sun	07/08/2025	06/30/2026 06/30/2026	- Yes
PARKS & RECREATION	DATE APPOINTED	TERM EXPIRATION	ELIGIBLE FOR REAPPOINTMENT
Chet Craft Zohra Muhammed	07/01/2022 07/01/2022	06/30/2026 06/30/2026	Yes Yes
PLANNING	DATE APPOINTED	TERM EXPIRATION	ELIGIBLE FOR REAPPOINTMENT
Tony Yeh	07/01/2022	06/30/2026	Yes

SOCIAL SERVICES	DATE APPOINTED	TERM EXPIRATION	ELIGIBLE FOR REAPPOINTMENT
Stephen Leys	07/01/2022	06/30/2026	No
SST CITIZEN'S OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE	DATE APPOINTED	TERM EXPIRATION	ELIGIBLE FOR REAPPOINTMENT
Craig Neumann	07/01/2023	06/30/2026	Yes
Michelle Polcari	07/01/2023	06/30/2026	Yes
Unscheduled Vacancy		06/30/2025	
TRAFFIC	DATE APPOINTED	TERM EXPIRATION	ELIGIBLE FOR REAPPOINTMENT
Arohi Sharma	08/09/2022	06/30/2026	Yes
Lucas Thoma	08/09/2022	06/30/2026	Yes
WATER	DATE APPOINTED	TERM EXPIRATION	ELIGIBLE FOR REAPPOINTMENT
Charles Deemer	07/01/2022	06/30/2026	Yes

ABOUT COMMISSIONS

- Commissions and boards are advisory to the City Council.
- Appointments will be made by the City Council on June 23, 2026. Applications are due by **5:00 p.m.** May 28, 2026 (postmarks not accepted)
- Commission applications are accepted anytime throughout the year and are available online at www.torranceca.gov/government/commissions, in person at the Office of the City Clerk, 3031 Torrance Blvd. or by calling (310) 618-2870.

REQUIREMENTS TO APPLY

- Contact the Office of the City Clerk at (310) 618-2870 to add your name to the interest list to receive specific written notice.
- Applicants must be active registered voters in the City of Torrance and have completed the city-sponsored Commissioner Certification Training. Online Commissioner Certification training is available by contacting the City Clerk's Office. Applications will not be accepted if the Commissioner Certification expires *before* appointments.
- Historic Preservation has specific requirements to be appointed (Ordinance No. 3822).

AFTER APPOINTMENT TRAINING AND PUBLIC FILING REQUIREMENTS

- All appointed commissioners will be required to take two (2) additional state mandated trainings within one (1) year of appointment:
 - AB 1234 – Ethics Training for Local Officials (2 hours every 2 years)
 - Non-Supervisory Harassment Prevention Training (1 hour every 2 years)
- Free online training is available on the Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC) website under "For Local Officials" at <http://www.fppc.ca.gov/learn/public-officials-and-employees-rules-/ethics-training.html>.
- After January 1, 2011, all appointees will be required to file a Statement of Economic Interest (Form 700), which are public records, reflecting the Torrance Conflict of Interest Code.
- Re-certification is required every two years in order to remain current.

TERMS

- Commissioners may serve up to two consecutive four-year terms.
- Applicants appointed to fill unexpired terms may serve two consecutive terms in addition to completion of the unexpired term.

COMPENSATION

- Compensation is made for expenses at \$20 per meeting attended, with most agencies meeting once a month. (Refer to specific commission for meeting days) You may waive compensation by emailing the City Clerk

VACANCIES & NOTICE

- Notices of unscheduled vacancies are posted in the Office of the City Clerk, on the City Clerk's Public Notice Board, and in the Civic Center Library within twenty days of the vacancy.
- At least 10 working day notice will be given before any unscheduled vacancy is filled.
- Notice is given through public announcements as well as written communication to the certified eligible list.

CONTACT THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK FOR COMPLETE INFORMATION