

# CITY OF OREGON CITY

## Chapter III: Coordination with City Staff, Commission, and Others

### A. COORDINATION WITH THE CITY COMMISSION

#### 1. Relationship to City Commission

Most boards and commissions serve as an advisory to the City Commission. As an authorized legislative body of the City, the City Commission is responsible for accepting, rejecting or modifying board and commission recommendations. The City Commission relies on the view points and talents of each board and commission member for valuable insight on various City issues. By concentrating on specific areas, board members expand their expertise and conduct detailed analyses that the City Commission may not have the time to pursue. It is expected that boards and commissions will adopt positions of advocacy within their specific spheres of interest. However, the City Commission's role is to take into consideration the many varied and sometimes conflicting public needs and render its judgment of what will best serve the public good. The City Commission must weigh the effect of any given recommendation, not only on the particular area of interest, but on all other City goals and programs.

Aside from the Planning Commission and Urban Renewal Commission, boards and commissions do not create policy or operate various city programs, however, they do make recommendations that could be approved and made by the City Commission.

It is the responsibility of the City Manager and City staff to operate programs authorized by the City Commission. In a few cases a specific program will be designated by the City Commission to be sponsored by a specific board, and even in such instances the administration is the responsibility of City staff.