



# Public Safety Standing Committee

## Boards & Commissions Vacancy Report

Thursday, May 28, 2026

Board Name	Criteria for Appointment	Applicant Name
<b>Advisory Board for the Assessment of Towing Fees and the Storage of Vehicles</b> (7 members) <a href="#">(page 2)</a>	Towing and recovery operator* (1 vacancy)	Abin Thomas 8 <sup>th</sup> District Employment <b>(reappointment, page 3)</b>
	Citizen representative (1 vacancy)	<i>No applications</i>
	Police department representative* (1 vacancy)	<i>No applications</i>
<b>Community Criminal Justice Board</b> (15 members) <a href="#">(page 4)</a>	Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court Judge* (1 vacancy)	<i>No applications</i>
	A local educator* (1 vacancy)	<i>No applications</i>

\*Applicants must either reside or have a principal place of employment in the city.

# Advisory Board for the Assessment of Towing Fees and the Storage of Vehicles

*Vacancies as of  
August 9, 2026*

The Advisory Board for the Assessment of Towing Fees and the Storage of Vehicles shall have:  
 (3) representatives of the Police Department  
 (3) towing and recovery operators  
 (1) member of the general public, who shall be a citizen of the City of Richmond  
 to be appointed by Council.

Four members of the board shall constitute a quorum.

*(Assigned to the Public Safety Standing Committee)*

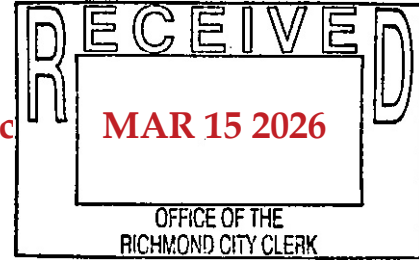
<b>Current Vacancies</b>				
Member Name	Criteria for Appointment	Live / Work District	Term	Terminate
Mathew Appelget	Citizen Member	3 <sup>rd</sup>	First	05/24/2026
			<i>Term Limit</i>	
Harold Giles	Police Department Representative	4 <sup>th</sup>	Second	09/09/2025
			<i>Term Limit</i>	
Abin Thomas	Towing and Recovery Operator	8 <sup>th</sup> District Employment	Partial	05/24/2026
			<i>Application included</i>	
<b>Current Membership</b>				
Member Name	Criteria for Appointment	Live / Work District	Term	Terminate
Chief Sydney Collier	Police Department Representative	2 <sup>nd</sup> District Employment	First	05/12/2028
Ronda Lawson	Towing and Recovery Operator	8 <sup>th</sup> District Employment	Second	06/10/2028
Johnny McRoy, II	Police Department Representative	2 <sup>nd</sup> District Employment	Second	03/22/2028
Tabitha Shearin	Towing and Recovery Operator	8 <sup>th</sup> District Employment	First	05/12/2028

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City of Richmond, Virginia  
City Council  
Authorities, Boards, Commissions and Task Force  
**Reappointment Application**



(Please Print or Type)

Name of Authority, Board, Commission or Task Force: Advisory Board for the Assessment of Towing Fees and	
Title: Mr. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mrs. <input type="checkbox"/> Ms. <input type="checkbox"/> Miss. <input type="checkbox"/> Dr. <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <input type="checkbox"/>	
Last Name: Thomas	First Name: Abin
Home Street Address: 2101 Decatur St	Home Telephone: (804) 928-7080
Home City, Zip Code: Richmond, VA 23224	Home Fax: <input type="checkbox"/>
Personal E-Mail Address: thomastowingrecover@gmail.com	
Employer:	
Job Title: Towing Business Owner	How Long? 6
Business Street Address: 2101 Decatur St	Business Telephone: (804) 928-7080
Business City, Zip Code: Richmond, VA 23224	Business Fax: <input type="checkbox"/>
Business E-Mail Address: thomastowingrecover@gmail.com	
Is your place of employment located in the city of Richmond? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
Is your place of employment located in the county? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> If yes, which county?	
Are you a city resident? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> If yes, which City Council district? RIC Number of years? 6	
Do you or your employer have a contract, other than a contract of employment, either with the city of Richmond or with the entity to which you are seeking appointment? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
If yes, please provide information on the nature of the contract.	
Signature: <u>Abin Thomas</u> Date: <u>03/15/2026</u>	
(By signing, forwarding or otherwise transmitting this form, you certify that all information submitted for consideration is true and accurate to the best of your knowledge.)	

**NOTE: This application is a public document.**

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# Community Criminal Justice Board

*Vacancies as of  
August 9, 2026*

**Fifteen (15) members** appointed by the City Council, to include the following:

- A Judge of the Circuit Court
- A Judge of the General District Court
- A Judge of the Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court
- The Chief Magistrate
- The Chief of Police
- An Attorney for the Commonwealth
- The Public Defender or an attorney who is experienced in the defense of criminal matters
- The Sheriff
- A local educator
- An administrator of a community services board
- A City Council member
- Four (4) citizen members (at-large members may be selected from nominees presented to the City Council by the board)

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<b>Current Vacancies</b>				
Member Name	Criteria for Appointment	Live / Work District	Term	Terminate
Dr. Blythe A. Bowman Balestrieri	Local Educator	2 <sup>nd</sup> District Employment	Third	4/14/2024
			<i>Term limit</i>	
Judge Marilynn C. Goss	Judge, Juvenile & Domestic Relations Court	6 <sup>th</sup> District Employment	Fourth	3/11/2026
			<i>Contacted – no response received</i>	
Vacant	City Council Representative			
<b>Current Membership</b>				
Member Name	Criteria for Appointment	Live / Work District	Term	Terminate
TraQuann Buskey	At-large city resident	6 <sup>th</sup> District Employment	First	11/09/2027
Police Chief Rick Edwards	Richmond Police Department	2 <sup>nd</sup> District Employment	First	Term coincident with term of position
Crystal Fitzgerald	Designee/An Attorney of the Commonwealth	6 <sup>th</sup> District Employment	Fourth	2/10/2028
DJ Haskin	Chief Magistrate	6 <sup>th</sup> District Employment	First	Term coincident with term of position
Sheriff Antionette Irving	Sheriff	6 <sup>th</sup> District Employment	First	Term coincident with term of position
Helen Wallace MacDonald	At-large city resident	7 <sup>th</sup>	First	09/07/2026
Judge Jacqueline McClenney	Judge, Richmond Circuit Court	6 <sup>th</sup> District Employment	First	09/08/2026

<b>Member Name</b>	<b>Criteria for Appointment</b>	<b>Live / Work District</b>	<b>Term</b>	<b>Terminate</b>
Tracy E. Paner	Public Defender	6 <sup>th</sup> District Employment	Sixth	9/14/2027
Judge Mansi Shah	Judge, Richmond General District Court Criminal Division	6 <sup>th</sup> District Employment	Third	5/23/2027
David Smith	At-large city resident	4 <sup>th</sup>	Second	9/13/2027
Jordan Waddell	At-large city resident	7 <sup>th</sup>	Partial	09/08/2026
Scott Ward	An administrator of a community services board	6 <sup>th</sup> District Employment	First	05/11/2027

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