



APPOINTMENTS

January 18, 2022

Citizen Involvement Commission

Appoint as Member

Name: Sheila Wesonga

Term: 1

Term Expiration Date: 1 /18/2025

Sheila Wesonga is President of COMMAND ATTENTION LLC, a faith-based consulting firm that provides business services, assisting clients within seven cornerstones of professional offerings using a project management approach. She studied Public Relations at Purdue University and received her Project Management certification from the Illinois Institute of Technology. She is excited about making a difference and having a positive impact in her community.

Community Development Citizens Advisory Committee

Appoint as Member

Name: Gregory Buchanan

Term: 1

Term Expiration Date: 1 /18/2025

Gregory Buchanan is an educator at Northwestern University in international programs with a focus on global studies. His experience at Northwestern providing funding for students to partake in Fellowships programs and research is very rewarding and he looks forward to bringing that experience to the commission to engage with his community and help guide Oak Park's development in a sustainable and economically strong place to live.

Disability Access Commission

Appoint as Member

Name: Gabriela Sierra Marquez

Term: 1

Term Expiration Date: 1 /18/2025

Gabriela Sierra is the co-Founder, Chief Executive Officer, BIOS ABA CONSULTANTS, LLC, an organization which utilizes evidence based principles of applied behavior analysis and organizational behavior management to develop programs and systems for individuals requiring behavior intervention services and their teams. Her passion is working with individuals with disabilities to manage barriers that impact their ability to have the quality of life that we all deserve. She is excited for the opportunity to be a part of a team that addresses these barriers and facilitates positive incomes for all residents.

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Name: Gary Arnold

Term: 1

Term Expiration Date: 1 /18/2025

Gary Arnold is the Program Director at Progress Center for Independent Living, and organizations that equips people with disabilities with tools and resources to pursue independence. Prior to working with Progress Center, Gary served as the Manager of Public Affairs for Access Living at the center for independent living serving Chicago. A person with dwarfism, Gary sat on the Little People of America (LPA) Board of Directors for 11 years, and served as Public Relations Director between 2006 and 2011, and as President between 2011 and 2017. Gary represents LPA on the National Disability Leadership Alliance, a coalition of 16 national organizations led by people with disabilities.