

The City Council is the "legislature" of the Holyoke City government.

With a composition of 15 members, seven represent the residential wards of the City, while the remaining eight are elected at-large. The Council has a mandate to insure that Holyoke is run in an effective and efficient manner. The council holds hearings, passes ordinances, financial orders and resolutions and oversees city finances. Members serve on standing committees, which study and review these matters. All council meetings are open to the public. Councilors also respond to resident complaints and problems. The City Council generally [meets the first and third Tuesdays of each month.](#)

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Minutes are kept in the City Clerk's office and are open for public inspection. [Follow this link](#)

[Click here for the ordinances of the City of Holyoke.](#)

The City Council's major duties include:

- Approving laws;
- Appointing the tax collector; assessors and certain other municipal officers;
- Confirming Mayoral appointments.
- Carefully reviewing and approving the annual municipal budget is another important responsibility of the Council.

[Rules and orders of the City Council:](#) 

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Ward Councilors

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Ward 1

Donald R. Welch, 11 D Arbor Way. 413-535-5186.

Serves on the Public Service and Redevelopment Committees.

Ward 2

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Serves as Chair of the Ordinance Committee.

Ward 3

Anthony M. Keane, 14 Queen St. 413-222-2672.

Serves on the Ordinance and Redevelopment Committees.

Ward 4

Timothy W. Purington, 243 Oak St. 413-534-8944. tim.purington@gmail.com

Serves on the Ordinance, Public Safety and Personnel Committees.

Ward 5

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Linda L. Vacon, 7 Pheasant Dr. 533-6498. lindavac@aol.com and www.LindaVacon.com

Serves on the Public Service Committee and the Redevelopment Committee.

Ward 6

Todd McGee, 17 Ridgewood Ave. 535-5097. mcgeetodd@yahoo.com

Serves as Chair of the Finance Committee.

Ward 7

John J. O'Neill, 170 Lincoln St. 539-9748. holyokeward7@gmail.com

Serves on the Ordinance and Finance Committees, as well as the Joint Committee of School Committee and City Council.

At Large Councilors

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Patricia C. Devine, 58 Magnolia Ave. 532-3974. pattidee23@verizon.net

Serves as Chair of the Public Safety Committee. As well as a member of the Personnel Committee.

Kevin A. Jourdain, 357 Jarvis Ave. 538-5519. kevin.jourdain@verizon.net and <http://holyokefirst.blogspot.com/>

Serves as Chair of the Redevelopment Committee. As well as a member of the Finance Committee and the Joint Committee of School and City Council.

James M. Leahy, 12 Park Slope. 413-537-4200. leahy413@gmail.com

Serves as Chair of the Public Service Committee. As well as a member of the Finance Committee.

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Rebecca Lisi, 25 Reservation Rd. 535-2492. rebecca@votelisi.com and <http://www.votelisi.com/>

Serves on the Ordinance and Public Service Committees.

Joseph M. McGiverin, 27 Downing Ave. 536-6557.

Serves as President of the City Council. As well as Chair of the Personnel Committee.

Brenna M. Murphy, 15 Anderson Ave. 534-1764. brennae107@hotmail.com

Serves on the Public Safety and Public Service Committees.

Peter R. Tallman, 10 Hendel Dr. 538-5700. ptallman1957@comcast.net

Serves on the Finance and Public Safety Committees.

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Aaron Vega, 152 Homestead Ave. 552-0268. aaron@vegaforholyokey.com and www.vegaforholyokey.com

Serves on the Public Safety and Redevelopment Committees, as well as the School Building Committee and Joint Committee of School Committee and City Council.

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