

Press Release

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Mayor William R. Wild Announces Board and Commissions Reappointments

Westland, MI (February 8, 2022) Mayor William R. Wild has announced several reappointments to the Board and Commissions that help to make Westland a great place to work, live and play.

The reappointments were confirmed by the Westland City Council on Monday, February 7, 2022 at the Council meeting.



Gretchen Heinicke has been reappointed to serve on the Economic Development Corporation (EDC)/Tax Increment Finance Authority (TIFA)/Brownfield Redevelopment Authority (BRA) for a new six-year term set to expire in February 2028. Ms. Heinicke is the current President and CEO of the Westland Chamber of Commerce.

John Sullivan has been reappointed to the Local Development Finance Authority for a four-year term set to expire in February 2026. Mr. Sullivan is a local attorney and also served as Wayne County Commissioner from 1999 until 2007.



Robert Farsakian has also been reappointed to the LDFA for a new four-year term. Farsakian has served on the LDFA since 2002. He has been a resident of Westland for more than 30 years and is the owner of Rock of Ages in Garden City.



Ralph Cabildo has been reappointed to the Downtown Development Authority for a new four-year term to expire February 2026. A Westland resident for more than 45 years, Mr. Cabildo's business, RC DJ and Video Productions, has been a member of the Chamber of Commerce since 2003.



Judy McKinney and Ray Schuhholz have both been reappointed by Mayor William R. Wild to serve on the Disability Concerns Committee for terms which began in January 2022. Each will serve a three-year term which will expire in January 2025.



If you are interested in serving on a Westland board or commission, you can find a complete list of vacancies, information, requirements and explanations on each and an application on www.cityofwestland.com

For more information, contact Mayor Wild's Office at (734) 467-3200.

The City of Westland, Michigan's 10th largest city, has a population of more than 85,000 residents and is located in western Wayne County; just minutes from downtown Detroit, 2 airports and major freeways. The City of Westland's Executive Branch is led by full-time Mayor William R. Wild, who was just re-elected to serve a four-year term in 2022. First elected in 2007, Mayor Wild is the City's longest serving Mayor. The Legislative Branch consists of seven City Council members.