

**2026 FAIRFIELD COUNTY COUNCIL
STANDING COMMITTEES**

1. ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE

Functions as a committee of ways and means to which matters dealing with direction and coordination of general administration, budgeting, appropriations and expenditures, capital improvements and programming, taxation, property assessment, bonds and indebtedness, purchasing procedures and county organization, structure and Council rules and regulations should be referred.

**Dan Ruff – Chairman
Doug Pauley
Clarence Gilbert**

2. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Serves to consider matters involving economic development, industrial recruitment, county development and intergovernmental relation matters brought before them and make recommendations to the full Council.

**Doug Pauley – Chairman
Oren Gadson
Carl Bell**

3. PUBLIC AFFAIRS & POLICY

Functions in the areas of general operational matters. Serves to consider matters relating to (a) intergovernmental relations with the county court systems, legislation and legal matters, public records and legal publications, personnel policy and procedures; (b) recycling, waste, disposal and collection, environmental issues concerning the landfill, public safety, fire protection, detention and correctional facilities; (c) planning and zoning ordinances, rezoning requests and proposals.

**Doug Pauley – Chairman
Oren Gadson
Clarence Gilbert**

4. PUBLIC SERVICES & DEVELOPMENT

Functions in the areas of general operational matters. Serves to consider matters relating to (a) schools and school districts; parks, playgrounds and vocational training; (b) regulation of buildings (building codes, plumbing, electrical regulations, etc.), drainage and flood control, county roads and state highways, right-of-way protection and acquisition, condemnation, airport facilities, transportation facilities and services,

parking and traffic control, railroads and railroad facilities, public utilities, agriculture and forestry; (c) events and special projects related to inter-relations between Council and the community, public relations and publicity of Council special functions and events, museums and historic sites, tourism, county beautification and libraries.

Peggy Swearingen- Chairperson

Don Goldbach

Carl E. Bell

5. PRESENTATION COMMITTEE

Don Goldbach – Chairman

Peggy Swearingen

Dan Ruff

District Representative (from which the request originated)

EX-OFFICIO

Library – Peggy Swearingen

Council on Aging – Doug Pauley

MUSC – Clarence Gilbert

Board of Zoning Appeals – Carl Bell

Aeronautics – Oren Gadson

Behavioral Health – Dan Ruff

Council of Governments (COG) – Clarence Gilbert

Disabilities & Special Needs – Don Goldbach