

THA Tenant Commissioner Elections Rules Regarding Nominations & Elections

What is a THA Tenant Commissioner?

The Troy Housing Authority is governed by a seven-member board of commissioners. Every two years there is an election during which two tenants are elected by tenants to become tenant commissioners. The other five members of the board are appointed for five-year terms by the city government.



The commissioners serve as the Housing Authority governing officers.

Some of the responsibilities are to provide leadership and advocate for public housing; set the policies that will govern the Housing Authority's operations and chart the direction of current and future programs.

The Board of Commissioners also establishes policies to prevent fraud, abuse, mismanagement, all forms of discrimination and ensure that the Housing Authority acts legally and with integrity. The election will be held August 28, 2026. Polling places will be in the community rooms of housing sites.

To obtain a **Nominating Petition** or ask any questions relating to the election see your site manager or contact: ShaQ. VanNess, Troy Housing Authority One Eddy's Lane Troy, New York 12180 Phone: (518) 273-3600 ext. 431 E-mail: info@troyhousing.org

Nominating Petitions for the tenant commissioner election can be obtained at site offices.

All completed nominating petitions must be returned to MLK Administration by 4:00PM on July 15, 2026.

To be eligible to nominate a candidate, to become a candidate or to vote, tenants must have their name listed on the lease, live in an apartment owned or managed by the Troy Housing Authority (including Section 8 participants and residents of Kennedy Towers) on June 1, 2026 and be 18 years old or over on the election date (August 28, 2026).

Fifty signatures of qualified residents are needed to have a candidate placed on the ballot. An eligible voter may sign up to 2 nominating petitions. Elections will be by secret ballot. Polling places will be in the offices of housing sites for voting on the day of the election. Section 8 participants will vote at the Taylor Apartments. The election will be monitored by Troy Housing Authority staff.

The election will decide the two persons to serve as Tenant Commissioners from January 1, 2027 to December 31, 2029. Elections will be by paper ballot.

Polling places will be in the offices of housing sites for voting on the day of the election.

Section 8 participants may vote at Taylor Apartments.

The election will be monitored by the Troy Housing Authority.

Troy Housing Authority Tenant Commissioners may also serve on the Board of other affiliate organizations of the Troy Housing Authority.