

# Aerospace Committee



For over 60 years, Houston has been a global hub for space exploration. Home to NASA's Johnson Space Center (JSC), JSC has led mission control and astronaut training for every U.S. crewed spaceflight. Leveraging this expertise, Space City is poised to lead the next era of commercial space operations. Houston companies are advancing innovation and discovery to shape the next frontier in space travel.

The Aerospace Committee plays an important role in the Greater Houston Partnership by proactively recruiting companies and growing the Houston region's Aerospace ecosystem through corporate recruitment and startup activities. This committee continually seeks to build the Houston region's position within the industry and to develop programs and initiatives that attract domestic and international organizations to our ecosystem. The result is a unified committee with open lines of communication and a willingness to support one another. With the support of Partnership staff, committee members will continue to be educated and informed on the latest updates and their effect on the thriving commercial space economy in the Houston region.



**Chair**

**David Ladewig**

Director of Business Development,  
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**Staff Lead**

**Kevin Tipton**

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## TOP ISSUES

- Texas Space Commission / SEARF Grants
- Workforce Development
- National Security
- Regulations and Space Governance
- Technology Convergence
- Impact from government-led to market-led

## 2026 MEETING DATES

- Q1: Friday, February 20
- Q2: Friday, May 15
- Q3: Friday, August 21
- Q4: Friday, December 11