

Georgia Association of Zoning Administrators



American Planning Association
Georgia Chapter



Summer Conference, August 21-23, 2019
Savannah Marriott Riverfront
100 General McIntosh Blvd
Savannah, GA 31401

AGENDA

Wednesday, August 21

4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Board of Directors Meeting

6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Early Conference Registration

Thursday, August 22

7:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.

Conference Registration

7:30 a.m. - 8:45 a.m.

Breakfast Buffet

8:45 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.

Opening and Welcome

Lisa Jackson

Vice President, GAZA

9:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.

Legislative Updates for Planning & Zoning

Presenters: Todd Edwards, Deputy Legislative Director, ACCG

Michael McPherson, Governmental Relations, GMA

This session will provide an overview of bills from the 2019 State legislative session that affect planning and zoning, as well as other appropriate bills affecting Georgia cities and counties. Presenters will also give a sneak peek of the 2020 legislative session.

10:15 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Morning Refreshment Break

10:30 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.

Connecting Planning, Zoning, Redevelopment and Enforcement

Presenters: Toussaint Kirk, Development Director, City of Griffin
Angel Gray, Code Enforcement, Albany-Dougherty Co

Speakers will discuss best management practices in implementing comprehensive plans and other strategic efforts for redevelopment and for code enforcement. An example will be a discussion of how to help improve housing in a community through redevelopment efforts as well as code enforcement actions. Commercial redevelopment, such as improvement of older corridors, will also be a topic for discussion.

11:45 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Lunch

Concurrent Sessions

1:00 p.m. - 2:15 p.m.

CONCURRENT SESSIONS

1) Planning & Zoning Essentials (title to be revised)

Presenter: Chrissy Marlowe, UGA Carl Vinson Institute of Government

Planning & Zoning Essentials will include the basics of planning and zoning as well as scenarios of zoning dilemmas, whether in daily practice or in official meetings. Chrissy Marlowe, an excellent speaker who has served as a State planner as well as a local Planning Commissioner, will lead the session and provide helpful insights for new zoning administrators as well as the most experienced planners.

2) Planning & Zoning Advanced (title to be revised)

Presenters: Bill Ross, AICP, President, ROSS+associates
Paige Hatley, AICP President, Hatley Plans, LLC

Planning & Zoning Advanced will include discussion of advanced planning & zoning techniques, including overlay districts, design-based zoning, impact fees, sign regulations, landscaping & tree preservation regulations, and others.

2:15 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Afternoon Refreshment Break

2:30 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.

Planning & Zoning Legal Updates

Presenter: Frank Jenkins, Partner, Jenkins and Bowen, P.C.

Mr. Jenkins will discuss recent legislation dealing with zoning and code enforcement and recent decisions of the Georgia appellate courts such topics as vested rights, non-conforming uses, making legislative and administrative zoning and land use decisions, adopting amendments to zoning ordinances, and constitutional zoning issues.

4:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Business Meeting/Door Prize Give-away

Dinner on your own

Friday, August 23

7:30 a.m. - 8:45 a.m.

Breakfast Buffet

8:45 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.

Announcements/Recognitions

Lisa Jackson
Vice President, GAZA

9:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.

Residential Alternatives to the Traditional Single-family House

Presenter: Tom O'Bryant
City Administrator, City of Cleveland (GA)

During the last several years, demand for alternative housing structures has grown, resulting in the need for local communities to consider whether or not certain housing products might be appropriate. Tom O'Bryant, who has worked for decades in the fast-growing northeast Georgia communities of Helen, Cleveland, and White County, will discuss the merits and challenges with housing alternatives. Items for discussion will include tiny houses, accessory apartments, guest houses, container houses, and senior-targeted developments such as zero-entry quadplexes.

10:15 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Morning Refreshment Break

10:30 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.

Small Cell & Other Telecom Updates for Planning & Zoning

Presenter: David Kirk, FAICP
Partner, Troutman Sanders

David Kirk, FAICP, a practicing attorney and partner with Troutman Sanders, specializes in various areas of land use, zoning, and development – including telecommunications. Mr. Kirk will lead a session updating participants on small cell and other telecom trends and regulations. Discussion will also include the current relationship between planning, zoning, permitting, and telecommunications infrastructure.

Future Conferences

Winter 2020 February 5-7, 2020, Great Wolf Lodge, LaGrange

Summer 2020 August 19-20, 2020, Lanier Islands Legacy Lodge, Buford