

# Planning Commission

2019-2020  
WORK PLAN



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CALIFORNIA

# Planning Commission

## Members Appointed When Adopted

- John Ownes, Chair
- Michael Spaletta, Vice Chair
- Denise Ross
- Keith Dodson
- Arlington La Mica
- Dave Evans
- William Silva

## Staff Liaisons

Gloria Stearns, Community Development Director  
Rick Medina, Senior Planner

# Mission Statement

The Planning Commission is a seven-member body of community representatives appointed by the City Council. The appointed members shall hold office for four years. The Planning Commission is the primary decision-making authority for certain development applications, and it advises the City Council on various land-use policy matters.

# Historical Background

State law and local ordinance prescribe the roles and responsibilities of the Planning Commission. In general, state law defines a planning commission as a committee appointed by the elected legislative body (City Council) to review matters related to planning and development and a general advisory body on land use planning.

## **Powers and Duties of the Planning Commission include:**

- The planning commission shall have all the powers and perform duties as provided in Government Code Section 65103 (See Link to Government Code)  
[http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/codes\\_displaySection.xhtml?lawCode=GOV&sectionNum=65103](http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/codes_displaySection.xhtml?lawCode=GOV&sectionNum=65103)
- It shall be the function and duty of the planning commission to prepare, periodically review and revise, as necessary, the general plan of the city and to implement the general plan through actions including, but not limited to, the administration of specific plans and zoning and subdivision ordinances. (Ord. 773 § 1 (Exh. A), 1990)

# Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Work Plan

Amend Fence regulations - to provide flexibility to work with all residents.

Adopt Accessory Dwelling Unit regulations

Amend tree ordinance - health, type as we have new development, and address successful landscaping

Conduct Sign code business surveys

Zoning code clean up, done as part of the general plan process

Conclude the General plan update

Pursue education opportunities - continue to coordinate educational opportunities to see what strategies are happening in other cities and communities.

Collaboration with other Boards/Commissions and Committees