City of Columbus - Bartholomew County Planning Department

Organizational Chart

Planning Department Direction & Oversight

Planning Department Staff Members & Roles

Bartholomew County Plan Commission

Bartholomew County Commissioners

Plan Commission Executive Committee

City of Columbus Mayor

City of Columbus Plan Commission

PLANNING DIRECTOR

Jeff Bergman, AICP

Oversees all Dept. functions.

Establishes / approves Dept. policies and procedures.

Reviews all Dept. reports and products.

Executes ordinance revisions.

Executes long-range planning and special projects.

Mentors other staff members.

Staffs Plan Commission meetings.

Staffs City Council meetings.

LONG-RANGE PLANNER

Emilie Pinkston, AICP

Executes long-range planning and special projects - such as neighborhood plans, corridor plans, studies of specific land use topics, etc.

Serves as a community group liaison.

FLOODPLAIN ADMINISTRATOR

Manages and administers floodplain regulations and consults on all flood-plain related development reviews.

Serves as primary liaison to IDNR and FEMA.

TRANSPORTATION PLANNER

Laura Thayer, AICP

Serves as the staff for the Columbus Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) - the local agency that receives and programs Federal transportation improvement funds. Also facilitates other transportation-related projects and activities.

SUBDIVISION SPECIALIST

Allie Keen, AICP

Primary Role: Manages subdivision application reviews. Manages select BZA cases.

Secondary Role: Participates in long-range planning and special projects.

DEVELOPMENT REVIEW MANAGER

Melissa Begley, AICP

Primary Role: Manages daily and monthly current planning operations (development reviews). Manages current planning workload and processes. Staffs BZA meetings.

Secondary Role: Participates in long-range planning and special projects.

PROJECT PLANNER

Charles Russell

Primary Role: Manages site plan and sign permit reviews. Manages BZA cases.

Secondary Role: Participates in long-range planning and special projects.

PROJECT PLANNER

Ashley Klingler

Primary Role: Manages site plan and sign permit reviews. Manages BZA cases.

Secondary Role: Participates in long-range planning and special projects.

OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR

Sondra Bohn

Answers Dept. phones and greets visitors to the office.

Orders office supplies.

Maintains and researches Dept. files.

Prepares meeting minutes.

Prepares Dept. payroll.

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