

TITLE III: ADMINISTRATION

CHAPTER 32. DEPARTMENTS, BOARDS, AND COMMISSIONS

• 32.48 DUTIES AND POWERS.

(A) It shall be the function and duty of the Planning Board to make and adopt a suggested master plan for the physical development of the municipality or modify parts of this plan as the Planning Board and Town Council may deem best. The master plan, with the accompanying maps, plats, charts, and descriptive matter, may show the Planning Board's recommendations for the development of the territory including, among other things the general location, character, and extent of streets, viaducts, bridges, waterways, waterfronts, parks, boulevards, parkways, playgrounds, squares, aviation fields, and other public ways, grounds, and open spaces; the general location of public buildings and other public property; and the general location and extent of public utilities and terminals, whether publicly or privately owned or operated, for water, light, sanitation, transportation, communication, power, and other purposes. The removal, relocation, widening, narrowing, vacating, abandonment, change of use, or extension of any of the foregoing ways, grounds, open spaces, buildings, property, utilities, or terminals may also be part of the master plan. The Planning Board shall also prepare and submit to the Town Council for its consideration and possible adoption a zoning ordinance for the control of height, area, location, and use of buildings and premises in the area. The Planning Board may from time to time recommend amendments, extensions, or additions to the master plan.

(1) In the preparation of the master plan, modified plan, or parts thereof, the Planning Board shall make careful and comprehensive surveys and studies of present conditions and future growth of the municipality, with due regard to its relation to the neighboring territory. The plan shall be made with the general purpose of guiding and accomplishing a coordinated, adjusted, and harmonious development of the municipality and its environs which will, in accordance with present and future needs, best promote health, safety, morals, order, convenience, prosperity, and general welfare, as well as efficiency and economy in the process of development, including among other things adequate provision for traffic,

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the promotion of safety from fire and other dangers, adequate provision for light and air, the promotion of the healthful and convenient distribution of population, the promotion of good civic design and arrangement, wise and efficient expenditure of public funds, and the adequate provision of public utilities and other public requirements.

(2) Before the adoption by the Planning Board of the master plan or any such plan, amendment, extension, or addition, the Planning Board shall hold at least one public hearing thereon. The Planning Board shall have power to promote public interest in and understanding of the plan and to that end may hold public hearings, publish and distribute copies of the plan or of

any report, and may employ other means of publicity and education as it may determine. Members of the Planning Board, when duly authorized by the Planning Board, may attend city planning conferences or meetings of city planning institutes or hearings upon pending city planning legislation, and the Planning Board may, by resolution spread upon its minutes, pay the reasonable traveling expenses incident to this attendance. All officers and employees of the town shall render such reasonable assistance and any such information to the Planning Board as may be requested by the Planning Board for its work.

(B) The Planning Board shall from time to time, and at least annually, submit reports in writing to the Town Council giving information regarding the condition of the town, any plans or proposals for the development of the town, and estimates of the cost thereof. These reports shall contain any other recommendations the Planning Board feels should have immediate attention.

(C) The Planning Board may, with Council approval, contract with city planners, engineers, architects, and other consultants for those services it may require. The expenditures of the Planning Board, ~~exclusive of gifts~~, shall be within the amounts appropriated for this purpose by the Town Council. ~~No indebtedness for which the town shall be liable shall be contracted by the Planning Board unless an appropriation is made by the Town Council for these purposes and then only to the extent of the appropriation. The Planning Board shall have the right to accept gifts and donations for the exercise of its functions and for giving publicity to its work and may expend the money received from donations and gifts as in its judgment may appear best.~~
(87 Code, ● 32.063) (Ord. passed 7-1-74) (Ord. Passed xx-xx-xxxx)

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