



# SD City Planning COMMUNITY PLANNERS

## WHAT DO COMMUNITY PLANNERS IN THE CITY PLANNING DEPARTMENT DO?

- A community planner is assigned to each [planning area](#) within the City of San Diego.
- Attend [planning group](#) meetings, address questions and take feedback concerning the [General Plan](#), [community plans](#) and other City land use plans and policies from community members in their assigned communities.
- Reach out to planning group chairs monthly to offer support.
- Review larger and more complex proposed development projects that require a decision on consistency with the [General Plan](#) and [community plans](#), generally items heard by the [Planning Commission](#) and [City Council](#).
- Prepare updates and amendments to [community plans](#), the [General Plan](#), zoning and development regulations and other City land use plans.

## HOW DO COMMUNITY PLANNERS SUPPORT PLANNING GROUPS, THE COMMUNITY PLANNERS COMMITTEE, AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS IN GENERAL?

- Serve as single point of contact for [planning group](#) inquiries about land use or other related matters and engage in productive, meaningful and respectful communication with community members.
- Share information about what the City Planning Department is working on throughout the year and Attend [planning group](#) meetings in-person 3 to 4 times throughout the year.
- Maintain contact with and address questions from their assigned [planning group](#) related to [Council Policy 600-24](#), which explains the operating procedures and responsibilities of recognized planning groups.

## HOW ARE CITYWIDE PLANNING AND ZONING INITIATIVES SHARED WITH COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUPS?

- Planning staff also provides support to the Community Planners Committee, which is composed of the chair, or officially designated representative of each recognized [planning group](#).
- Land use issues that are citywide and regional in scope are shared with the Community Planners Committee for review and recommendation per [Council Policy 600-09](#).

## WHO CAN HELP ANSWER QUESTIONS ON ZONING, PERMITS, AND THE CITY'S DEVELOPMENT REVIEW PROCESS?

- The City of San Diego Development Services Department oversees the review, permitting, and inspections of development projects.
- Community planning groups and the public may contact Development Services to ask questions about zoning and development regulations specific to a particular development project.
- You can set up an appointment with Development Services Department staff by booking a Virtual Counter Appointment, calling 619-446-5000 or you can find additional resources on the Development Services Department website.

## RESOURCES

WHAT IS THE GENERAL PLAN?

WHAT IS A COMMUNITY PLAN?

HOW TO FIND YOUR ASSIGNED  
COMMUNITY PLANNER?

HOW TO FIND YOUR COMMUNITY PLAN?

WHAT ARE THE STANDARD OPERATING  
PROCEDURES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF  
RECOGNIZED COMMUNITY PLANNING  
GROUPS?

WHAT IS THE COMMUNITY PLANNERS  
COMMITTEE?

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT –  
VIRTUAL COUNTER APPOINTMENT

CITYWIDE ZONING MAP

CODES AND REGULATIONS

DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEES

