



CITY OF LAKE OSWEGO

PLANNING COMMISSION

DESCRIPTION

History

On August 6, 1946, the City Council of the City of Lake Oswego passed Ordinance 332 creating the “Planning Commission.” This Ordinance was amended by Ordinances 2091, 2316 and 2336. The Planning Commission is the City Council’s advisory board on land use or planning issues.

Mission and Duties

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 12 of the City Code, the Planning Commission shall exercise the powers and duties set forth in state law, the City Comprehensive Plan, the City Community Development Code, and other applicable City Codes.

Examples of duties include:

1. Holding public hearings and making recommendations to City Council concerning applications for Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Code text amendments.
2. Holding public hearings and making recommendations to City Council concerning Comprehensive Plan and Zoning map amendments.
3. Coordinating the preparation of neighborhood plans.
4. Reviewing the Capital Improvement Plan for consistency with the Comprehensive Plan.
5. Conducting studies and making recommendations to the City Council concerning such matters as growth management, transportation, protection of natural resources, special district plans, and the community’s quality of life.
6. Encouraging citizen involvement in land use matters.
7. The Planning Commission also serves as the Commission for Citizen Involvement.

Composition, Term

The Planning Commission shall consist of seven (7) members to be appointed by the City Council for a term of four (4) years.

Qualifications

No less than a majority of the members of the Planning Commission shall be residents of the City of Lake Oswego. Any members not residing in the City shall reside within the City’s Urban Services Boundary. No more than two members of the Commission may engage principally in the buying, selling, or developing of real estate for profit as individuals, or be members of any partnership, or officers or employees of any corporation that engages principally in the buying,

selling, or developing of real estate for profit. No more than two members shall be engaged in the same kind of occupation, business, trade, or profession.

Planning Commissioners are required to file annual Statements of Economic Interest with the Oregon Government Ethics Commission.

The Planning Commission meets on the second and fourth Mondays at 6:30 p.m., and other days as needed.

Contact Person

For more information, call Scot Siegel, Planning Director, 503-699-7474.