



Planning Commission 2018-2019 Work Plan



INTRODUCTION

In consideration of the roles and responsibilities of the Planning Commission, as established in Salem Revised Code Chapter 6, the Planning Commission has outlined the projects, plans, and studies that will be the bulk of its work for the next two years.

The majority of the work was approved and funded by the Salem City Council as part of the Planning Division's budget. The Planning Commission will have an integral role in the long-range planning projects that are underway or will begin within the timeframe of this Work Plan. It should be noted that additional work may appear before the Planning Commission as directed by the City Council, approved in the City budget process, or initiated by staff. All work listed here is in addition to the Planning Commission's work of reviewing quasi-judicial land use applications and appeals.

In addition to long-range plans and studies, the Planning Commission has identified a goal of working toward increased citizen participation in the planning process, as it is the City's committee for citizen involvement. The Commission also identified increased Commissioner training as a priority so that Commissioners are better able to perform their duties.

The Work Plan includes four goals. Each goal has an action(s) that can be taken to accomplish the goal.



Goal 1:

Salem Area Comprehensive Plan Update

Title and Description	Tentative Schedule
Research and Data Analysis Preparation for community-wide visioning	2018
Visioning and Comprehensive Plan Update Visioning with the community and updating the Comprehensive Plan	2019



Goal 2:

Adopt and Implement Long-Range Land Use and Transportation Plans

Title and Description	Tentative Schedule
State Street Corridor Plan Public hearings on final plan and implementing codes	Winter 2018 (Quarter 1)
West Salem Zoning Code Cleanup Public hearing and recommendation to Council	Winter 2018 (Quarter 1)
Housing Needs Analysis Code amendments to implement recommendations of the Housing Needs Analysis	2018-2019



Goal 3:

Increase Citizen Participation in the Planning Process

Title and Description	Tentative Schedule
Youth Initiative for Outreach on Land Use Planning Planning Commission Subcommittee	Spring 2018 (Quarter 2)
Give Awards for Innovative Design or Exciting Project Planning Commission Subcommittee to develop parameters for award for innovative project, intended to recognize exciting designs and projects in Salem	Summer 2018 (Quarter 3)



Goal 4:

Planning Commissioner Training Opportunities

Title and Description	Tentative Schedule
Explore Free Training Opportunities State ethics, Department of Land Conservation and Development, online training opportunities, staff provided training, etc.	Ongoing
Continue Paid Training Opportunities for the Commission Continue to budget for Commissioner training	Ongoing
Encourage Training for Neighborhood Association Boards on Land Use Procedures	Ongoing

