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your planning

needs!!

The COG's Planning Services Department is involved in a wide array of activities, from developing long-range transportation objectives for the region, to supervising efforts to keep our waterways free of pollutants. The department participates in virtually every major planning endeavor of regional significance. In some programs, the COG plays a minor role by having its staff serve on various committees. In other projects, such as comprehensive planning processes in Berkeley and Dorchester Counties, the COG acts as the primary facilitator, coordinating activities.



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AVAILABLE PLANNING SERVICES

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Did you know that as well as regional planning activities, the Berkeley-Charleston-Dorchester Council of Governments Planning Services Department specializes in the development of comprehensive plans, ordinances, traffic count studies, zoning and other land use regulations, as well as the staffing of planning commissions and councils for local communities (municipalities and counties).

The BCD Council of Governments is a three-county agency focused on promoting coordination and cooperation among public programs in the region. The BCDCOG accomplishes this in a variety of ways, including regional planning efforts such as transportation and water quality planning, but also providing technical assistance to its member governments. The BCDCOG's staff has assisted local governments facilitating comprehensive plans and in addressing land use and other growth management concerns through the years and is familiar with the issues facing each community. In addition, the Council of Governments continuously collects, maps and analyzes a wide range of data related to such issues as population and housing, land use and transportation, as well as socio-economic issues. As a result of this long history of serving our communities, the COG is uniquely capable of providing quality planning and zoning assistance in an efficient, considerate manner and at a lower cost than firms from outside the region.



Comprehensive Plan Development/Update

- Meet specifications of the SC Local Government Planning Enabling Act of 1994
- Prepare for and staff public hearings/workshops
- Assist community leaders in the formation of long-range visions for their towns or counties
- Organize Planning Task Force
- Staff Planning Task Force Meetings
- Provide materials, information, and maps
- Facilitate discussion of the required elements
- Review existing ordinances and explain process for plan compliance
- Prepare final plan document



Zoning/Land Development Ordinance Development or Revision

- Review and recommend ordinances and amendments
- Draft revisions of ordinances to comply with the vision of the Comprehensive Plan
- Prepare amendments regarding local issues

THE BCDCOG CAN ASSIST YOU WITH ON-GOING PLANNING SERVICES OR PROJECTS -- CONTACT US TODAY--



Other Services

- Ongoing and/or on-call staff support for planning processes or specific issues
- Special traffic counts and traffic analyses/transportation studies
- Land Use, Site Plan, Proposed Development Impact Studies
- Planning related grant applications
- Urban design studies/regulations
- Special mapping projects
- Special demographic information projects
- Landscape Regulations, Tree Protection Ordinances, Sign Regulations, and/or Design Guideline development or revision
- Other special projects/studies/research

Current or Completed Projects

Comprehensive Plans

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| ■ Berkeley County | ■ Town of McClellanville |
| ■ Dorchester County | ■ Town of Hollywood |
| ■ City of Folly Beach | ■ Town of Meggett |
| ■ Town of St. George | ■ Town of Bonneau |
| ■ Town of Lincolnville | ■ Town of Harleyville |
| ■ Town of Reevesville | ■ Town of Ridgville |
| ■ Town of Sullivan's Island | ■ Town of Summerville |
| ■ Town of St. Stephen | |

Zoning & Land Development Ordinance creation & revision

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