



City of Franklin, Tennessee
FY 2017 Operating Budget Request

Planning and Sustainability Department

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Purpose of Department

The Planning and Sustainability Department will strive to protect and enhance the built and natural environment by providing a comprehensive vision for future growth, protection of historic and natural resources, and excellent planning services for businesses and residents of Franklin.

- to work with the Planning Commission to identify and complete long range planning initiatives**
- to process current development applications in order to continue quality growth**
- to provide assistance to Historic Zoning, the Franklin Battlefield Commission, the Board of Zoning Appeals, the Sustainability Commission, and several other entities**



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FY 2016 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- **Delineated tasks between the Long Range Planning and Current Planning Supervisory positions.**
- **Defined the specifics of the tasks for each division**
- **Held a series of workshops for members of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen, Planning Commissioners, and City staff**
- **Began holding regular meetings with the entire Department staff**
- **Began holding as-needed meetings with the two Department Division Directors**
- **Placed the Department staff in their proper positions so as to maximize their professional potential and to save the City time, effort, and money**
- **Stabilized the Department concerning staffing, work tasks, and attendance**
- **Established rapport with the development community and various citizens and professional entities**
- **Began the process of revising the Zoning Ordinance so as to make it a more efficient implementation tool for the current and draft Land Use Plans**



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FY 2016-17 GOALS

- **Present a draft of the Land Use Plan to the Planning Commission**
- **Begin preparing revisions to the Zoning Ordinance as an implementation tool for the Land Use Plan**
- **Concentrate on continuing education for City officials and City staff regarding urban design**

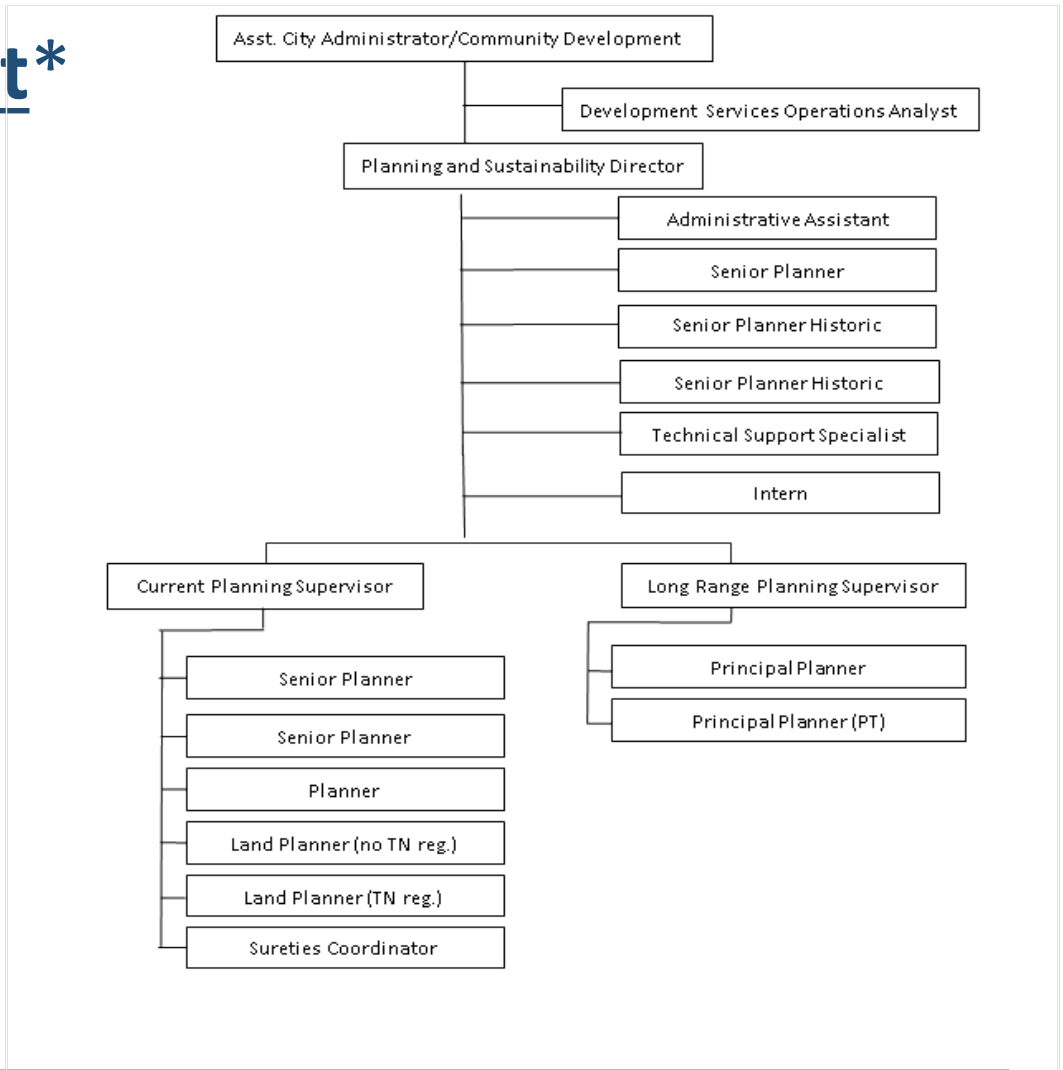


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Organization Chart*

**in development*





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Base Budget Request

Budget Summary

	2014	2015	2016	2016	2017	2016 v. 2017	
	Actual	Actual	Budget	Estimated	Budget	\$	%
Personnel	1,273,278	1,265,081	1,351,736	1,298,149	1,406,128	54,392	4.0%
Operations	146,172	117,894	305,527	233,287	177,648	-127,879	-41.9%
Capital	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Total	1,419,450	1,382,975	1,657,263	1,531,436	1,583,776	-73,487	-4.4%



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Base Budget Request: Personnel

Maintains current staff, though through program enhancements proposes reorganization of personnel.

Base Budget Request: Operations

Carryover of \$21,200 in Consultant Services in FY 2017



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Program Enhancement Requests

There are six (6) Program Enhancements proposed.

Preservation Planner*	\$ 72,847
Reclassification: Principal Planner	\$ 4,159
Continuing Education	\$ 22,306
Mobile Workshop	\$ 15,750
3D Modeling	\$ 50,000
Adobe InDesign Licenses	\$ 1,080
Total	\$166,142

**Total cost can be partially offset by elimination of vacant positions.*



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Summary

The Planning and Sustainability Department is embarking on some busy and exciting times. Morale is good, work is proceeding on both the new Land Use Plan and the major overhaul of the Zoning Ordinance, and we are learning of the tremendous benefits of continuing education regarding urban design that will enhance the lives of both new and existing Franklin citizens.

We have a department of talented and dedicated employees, and we expect to have an exciting, productive, and fun year.