



*City of Franklin, Tennessee*  
**FY 2018 Operating Budget Request**

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# Department of Planning & Sustainability

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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.**

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



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### **FY 2017 ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

- **Increased emphasis on Long Range Planning**
  - On-going and Completed Projects include: Envision Franklin, Height Overlay Study, Columbia Avenue Overlay Update, 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue North Zoning Update, Accessory Dwelling Ordinance, Zoning Updates for Fuel Stations and Self-Storage Facilities, Riverfront Planning Study, and Infill/Transitional Features Study
- **Held a series of workshops for members of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen, Planning Commission, development community, and staff**
- **Received TVA Platinum Designation for Sustainable Communities and constructed 1MW Solar Array**
- **Facilitated the adoption of new FEMA maps and vesting legislation**
- **Integrated Board of Zoning Appeals applications into the Electronic Review System**
- **Awarded two Preservation Grants**
- **Updated the Historic District Guidelines**
- **Increased involvement with the MPO, Franklin Tomorrow, Williamson, Inc., and other community organizations**
- **Began the process of revising the Zoning Ordinance to make it an effective implementation tool for Envision Franklin**



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### **FY 2018 GOALS**

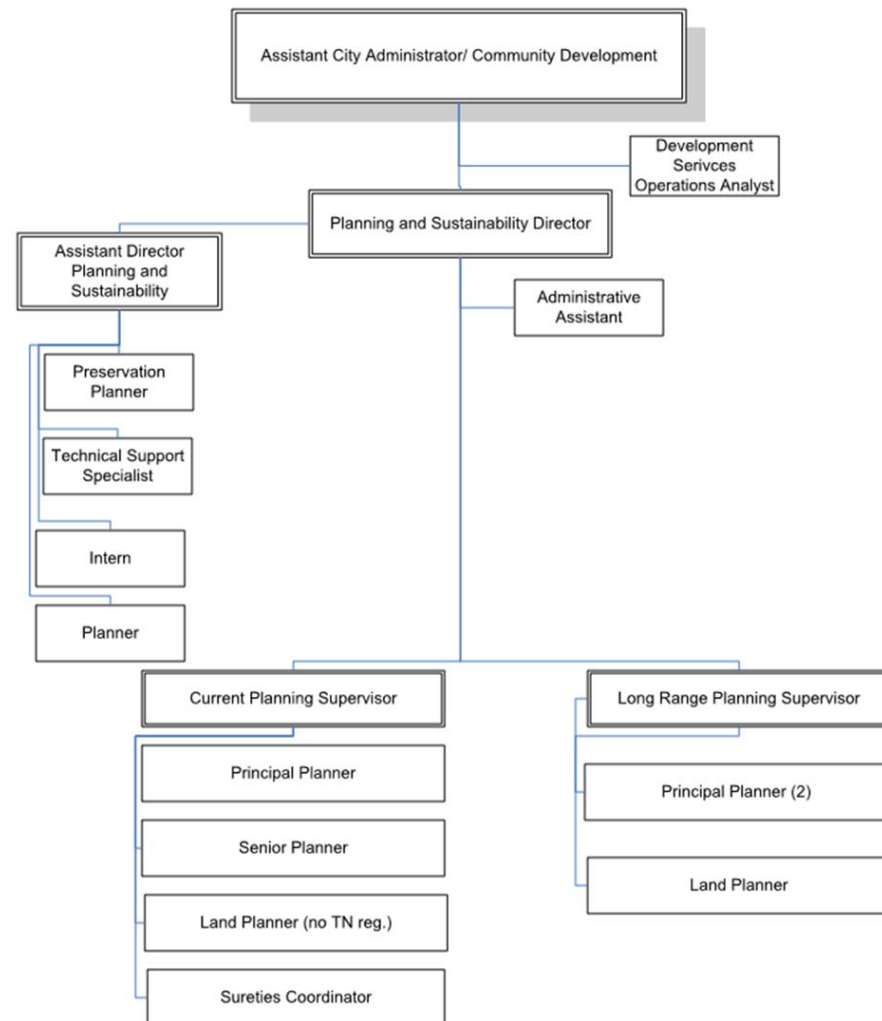
- **Prepare a new Zoning Ordinance as an implementation tool for Envision Franklin**
- **Concentrate on continuing education for City officials and City staff regarding urban design, transportation, and other planning-related issues**
- **Improve workspace and technology in the P&SD**
- **Update the Subdivision Regulations**
- **Create and Implement a Battlefield Commission Action Plan**
- **Update the Preservation Plan**
- **Continue to work on creation of a Public Art Program**
- **Long Range projects to include:**
  - **Design of a riverfront trail system and potential riverfront land use updates based on the 2017 Riverfront Planning Study (currently underway)**
  - **Preliminary Analysis of the City Hall Site redevelopment alternatives**
  - **Murfreesboro Road Corridor Redevelopment Plan**



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### Organization Chart





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### Budget Summary

#### Budget Summary

	2015 Actual	2016 Actual	2017		2018 Budget	2017 v. 2018	
			Budget	Estimated		\$	%
<b>Personnel</b>	1,265,077	1,322,047	1,397,426	1,359,668	1,400,089	2,663	0.2%
<b>Operations</b>	141,450	315,480	189,573	168,230	193,380	3,807	2.0%
<b>Capital</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,406,527</b>	<b>1,637,527</b>	<b>1,586,999</b>	<b>1,527,898</b>	<b>1,593,469</b>	<b>6,470</b>	<b>0.4%</b>



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### **Base Budget Request: Personnel**

**No changes to personnel in the base budget.**

**One Program Enhancement Request related to personnel (to be discussed a few slides later).**





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### **Base Budget Request: Operations**

**Increase in Computer Hardware of \$21,530 to cover new purchases due to expiring warranties on current hardware**

**Professional Development funds continued for (1) education and maintenance of credits for certified staff, and (2) some Planning Commissioners and members of BOMA to travel and attend the City Building Exchange, which was organized to bring community decision-makers together to share best practices and important outcomes of city-building decisions.**



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### **Program Enhancement Requests**

**There are four (4) Program Enhancements proposed (in order of priority).**

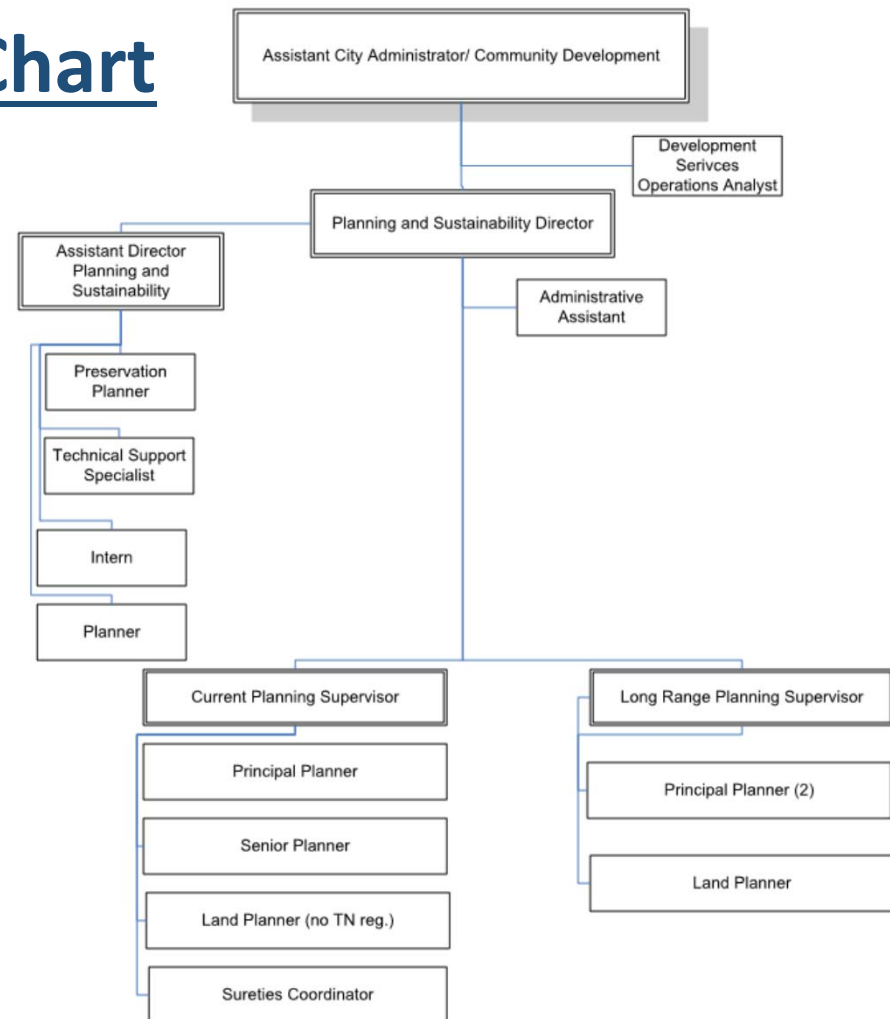
<b>1. Addition of Assistant Director/Elimination of Part-time Principal Planner</b>	<b>\$ 46,357</b>
<b>2. Strategic Planning Session for BPC</b>	<b>\$ 1,500</b>
<b>3. New Vehicle</b>	<b>\$ 25,500</b>
<b>4. Conference Room Technology/Furniture</b>	<b>\$ 15,700</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 89,057</b>



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### Proposed Organization Chart





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### **Summary**

**It continues to be a busy and exciting time for the Department of Planning and Sustainability. Community vision, long-term economic health, and quality of place are at the forefront of our minds, and we strive to foster and achieve a mix of uses and an urban design that enhances the lives of both new and existing citizens.**

**A small increase in funding for a new position and some technology and workspace upgrades will go far in expanding and enhancing the department's services and impact on continued development in Franklin.**

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