

City of Franklin, Tennessee FY 2020 Operating Budget Request

Department of Planning & Sustainability

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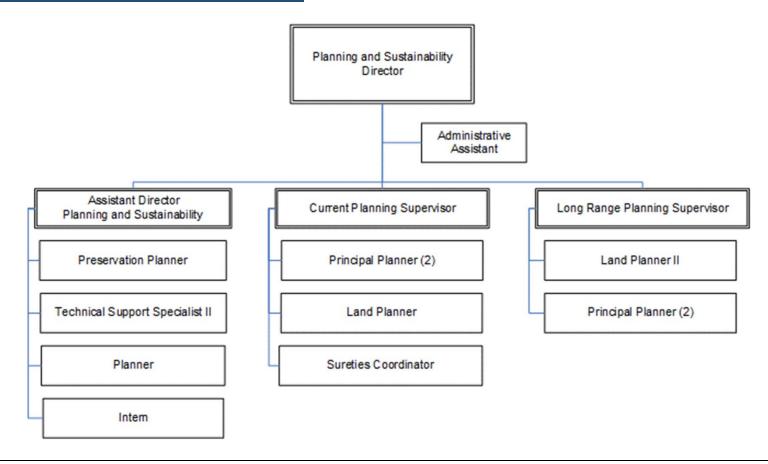
Purpose of Department

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 annexation requests and current development applications in order to continue quality growth
- Provides assistance to Historic Zoning Commission, the Franklin Civil War Historical Commission, the Board of Zoning Appeals, the Sustainability Commission, and several other entities



Organization Chart





Base Budget Request: Personnel

Increase of \$54,143, or 4.0% over FY 2019.

Increase due to increases in Medical Premiums for Planning & Sustainability employees

No proposed budget changes to personnel



Base Budget Request: Operations

Decrease of \$66,480 over FY 2019. Decrease driven by lesser need for Consultant Services in FY 2020.

- -Continued Consultant Services for assistance with the New Zoning Ordinance
- -Planning Commission computer tablet upgrades for review of electronic plan submittals
- -Continued emphasis on continuing professional education in order to develop urban design skills and observe best planning practices for the City staff and officials. Includes participation in this year's State Planning Conference being held in Franklin.



Base Budget Request: Capital

No proposed budget requests for capital



Program Enhancement Requests

There are two (2) Program Enhancements proposed.

Historic Preservation Plan Consultant \$ 30,000

Continuing Education-DRT Peer City Travel \$ 16,000-25,000 Total \$ 55,000



Summary

It continues to be a busy and exciting time for the Department of Planning and Sustainability as we focus on:

- -Managed growth and annexation practices
- -A long-term, vibrant economy
- -Housing choices and quality of place
- -Regional transportation and local mobility

A new Zoning Ordinance that achieves a mix of uses and designs that enhance the lives of both new and existing citizens is our top priority, closely followed by a focus on updating the Preservation Plan and continuing to grow our Sustainability initiatives.

We have a department of talented and dedicated professionals, and we expect to have an intense year filled with lots of Zoning discussions.