

Hot Topics in Land Use Law and Practice June 14, 2019



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American Planning Association
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Making Great Communities Happen

Spring Chapter Meeting

JUNE 14, 2019

HARTFORD, CT



CT_APA



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Organizational Structure

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Jonathan Reiner
Don Poland

Thank you Dan

Service to the Profession:

- Town of Monroe
- CCAPA
- SNEAPA



Organizational Structure

Committees

- Program / CM
- Members Services
- Communications & Media
- Government Relations
- Strategic and Work Plan Committee
- Past President Advisory Committee
- Nominating and Elections Committee
- Scholarship Committee
- Awards Committee

**VOLUNTEERS
MAKE A
DIFFERENCE.**



Planning Home

*American Planning Association
Housing Initiative*

■ Policy Initiatives

- “Planning Home”
- Equity, Diversity & Inclusion
- US Census 2020



Start with Planning.

To Move Connecticut Forward,
Take the Long Road

Digital Platform:

<https://ct.planning.org/>

Policy Papers:

- Transportation
- Economy
- Resiliency
- Conservation
- Housing

CT Planning:

Special Edition, Winter 2018

Speaking Points:

- Core Value
- Accelerate our Pace
- Team Connecticut

Transition Committee Participation:

- Housing
- Transportation
- Jobs/Economy



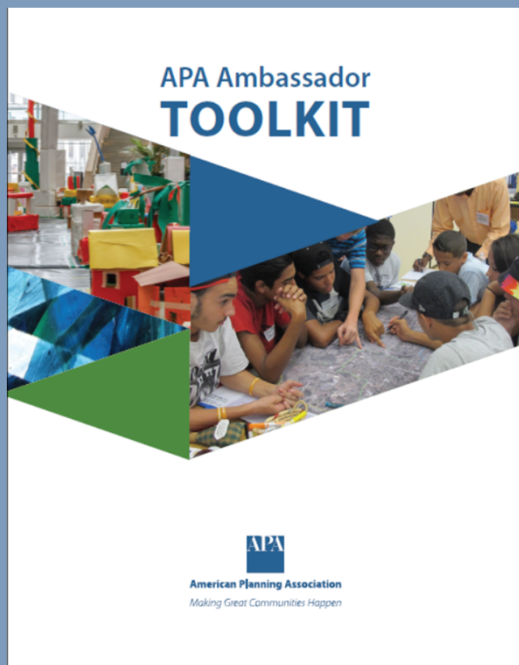
Development Framework.



- **Creating the Next Generation of Planners**
- **Facilitating the Digital Transition in Planning**
- **Establishing a Meaningful Role for Planning in State Governance**

Development Framework

Creating the Next Generation of Planners



Reach Students At School

- Community Design through hands on learning. Students can learn basis of zoning and how various land uses can interact together.
- Build communities with blocks and toys
- Students can draw maps of their neighborhood
- Read land use inspired books
- Create models/crafts to study effect of runoff, flooding and non point source pollution

Focus on the Decision Making Process

- Design parks and playgrounds through the charrette process.
- Sticky note exercise to value priorities.

Invite students to Engage in the Planning Process

- Stamford 2000 Master Plan. 3rd graders lobbied for a playground, which was included in the plan and later built.

Membership

404 Chapter members

- 192 AICP members (incl. 4 FAICP)
- 116 APA members
- 85 student members
- 7 land use board commissioners
- 4 Chapter-only members

Thank you committee members!

Alan Weiner, Demian Sorrentino and
Jonathan Reiner.



Diana Donald Scholarship

Diana Donald Scholarship *Internship Program*

- \$3,500
 - 90% must go to intern
- Selection Process
 - Scholarship Committee Review
 - Executive Board Endorsement
- Emphasis on an identifiable project that will:
 - Contribute to technical knowledge and skills of intern
 - Help prepare intern for planning workforce
- Two grants awarded this year:
 - **Bridgeport:** Comprehensive Zoning Code Rewrite
 - **East Hampton:** Adapt land use strategies for the town center near the Air Line Trail entrance

Next Round Spring 2020



Village Center Hampton, CT

Research regulatory options for encouraging development of a vibrant, mixed-use village center, as recommended in the POCD



Plan of Conservation & Development 2016-2026

Town of Hampton, Connecticut

Approved by the Planning & Zoning Commission, November 28, 2016



2018 Chapter Awards



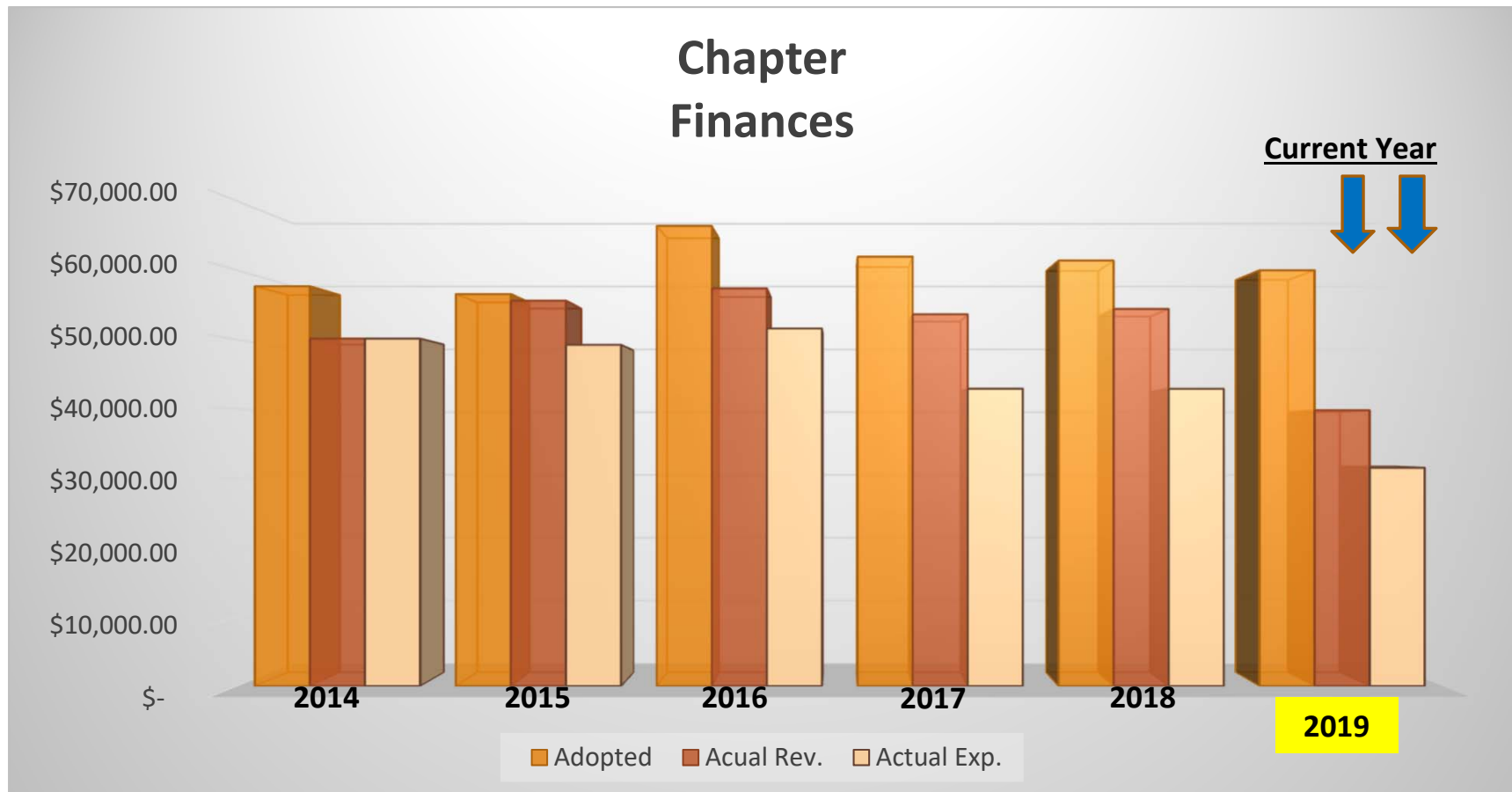
- Town of Manchester Center Springs Park Master Plan
- Catherine Hewitt, Westerly Sun
- Town of Haddam POCD Planning Committee
- City of Meriden for the Meriden Downtown
- Northwest Hills Council of Governments
- City of Norwich and Uncas Leap Steering Committee

Thank you Committee Members!

Val Ferro –Chair, Craig Minor-Co-chair

Jon Cabral, Marty Connor, Michele Lipe

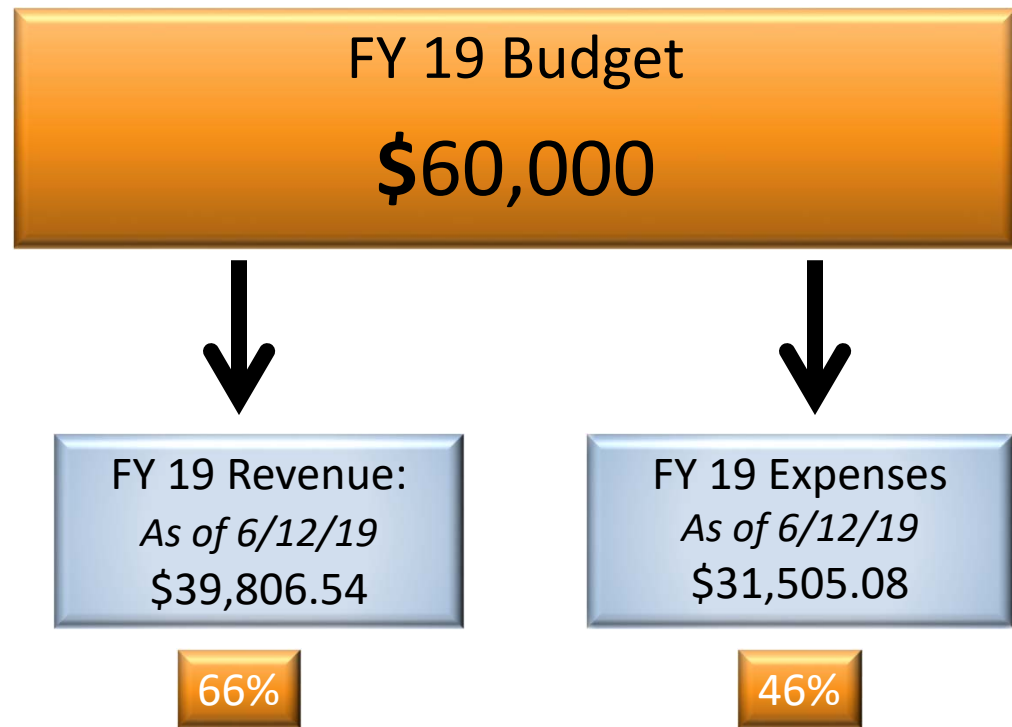
Treasurer's Report



In fiscal years

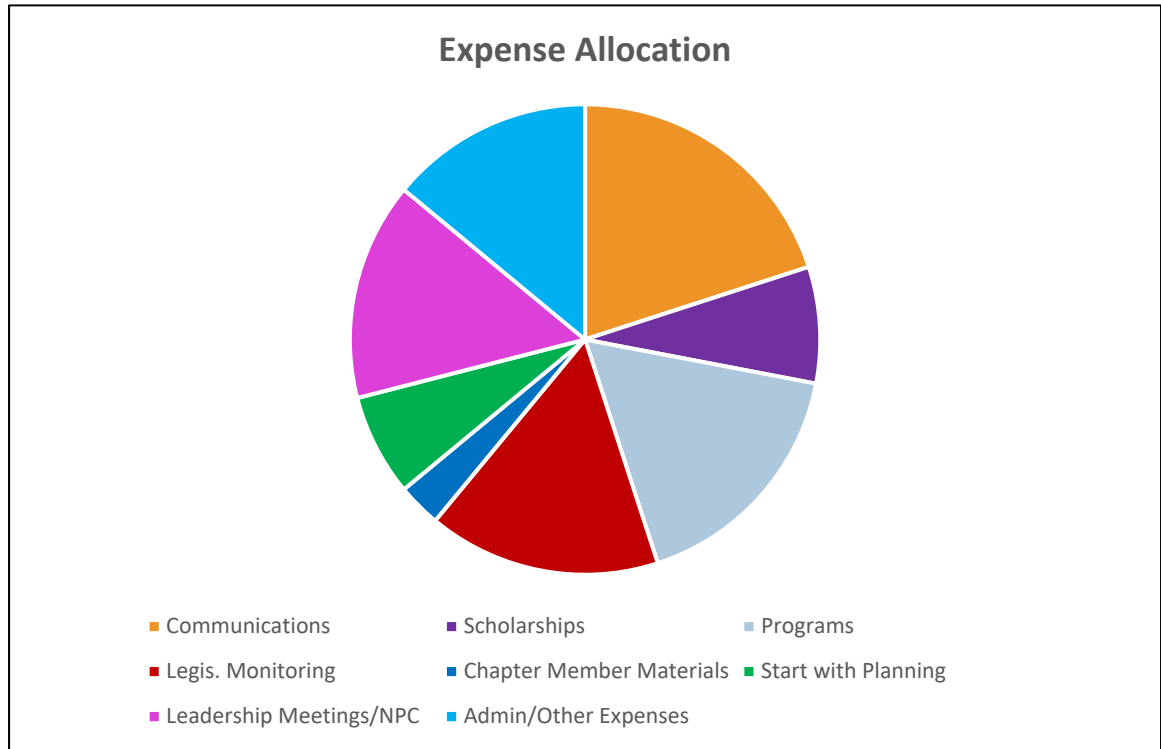
Treasurer's Report

FY 19 Approved Budget



Treasurer's Report

FY 19 Adopted Budget



Communications and Media

Committee

Rebecca Augur, Co-Chair

Abby Kenyon, Co-Chair

Renata Bertotti

Maryellen Edwards

Amy Petrone

Responsibilities

- Maintain website and social media
- CT Planning magazine
- MailChimp e-mail blasts
- Coordination with other committees and their communication needs



Communications

- New website is up and working!
- Job postings still free – but on you to do
- Ability to log in to your APA account



Programs and Professional Development

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and Social Events –
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2018 Program Committee

Committee Members

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Raquel Ocasio
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Phil Chester
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CCAPA Committee Connections
Michael Piscitelli/President
Steven Sadlowski/PDO
Abigail Kenyon/Communications

Current Program Partners

UConn/ CLEAR
CT Historic Preservation Office
CT Conference of Municipalities
CEDAS
Sustainable CT
CT Bar Association
CT Farm Bureau
CTDEEP
CTDOT
CT RC&D
CT Conference of Municipalities
CT Councils of Government
Partnership for Strong
Communities
Institute for Sustainable Energy
CT Greenways Council
CT Farmland Trust
Sign Research Foundation
CT NEMO Program

Meeting Held Quarterly



Programs and Professional Development

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and Social Events –
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2018 Program Committee

Programs offered to membership in collaboration with partners

92 CM Education Credits Offered 7/2018 thru 6/2019

Does Not Include SNEAPA CM Credits

Topics: Land Use Law, Skill Building, Historic Preservation, Recreational Trails, Economic Growth, Natural Hazards, Climate Resiliency, Ethics, MS4 Permitting, Main Street Revitalization, Agriculture, Housing, Transportation, Storm Water Management, Regulating Marijuana, Community Engagement, Transit Oriented Development, Disaster Recovery/Land Use, Waste Management, Agr-Tourism, Greenways and more.



Programs and Professional Development

AICP Certification Program

Congratulations to our new AICP Members!

Michele Cronin
Rista Malanca
Stephanie Molden

Reminder – **Claim your CM Credits!**

Annual Classroom Review:

CCAPA sponsored its annual AICP Classroom Review in March, 201 at Goman and York in E. Hartford. Links to all presentations can be found at ccapa.org. Thank you to our volunteer lecturers and especially Don Poland and Goman and York for sponsoring the program and Goodwin College for the space! 3 candidates passed the recent spring test, formal announcement follow soon!

[AICP Overview 2018](#)
[Planning History and Theory](#)
[Areas of Practice](#)
[Law](#)
[Ethics](#)
[Plan Making](#)

Robert Flanagan
Don Poland
Rista Malanca
Chris Smith
Michael Piscitelli
Steve Sadlowski



Government Relations Committee

The GRC Team

- Co-Chairs: Amanda Kennedy & John Guskowski
- Committee Members

Jana Roberson, Alan Sylvestre, Chris Smith, Christine Nelson, Fred Doneit, Matt Tyksinski, Don Poland, Glenn Chalder, Jason Vincent, Rob Phillips, Phil Chester, Jose Giner, Kyle Shiel, Ken Livingston, Sara Bronin, Evan Seeman, Sam Gold, Todd Dumais, Marty Connor, Jon Reiner, and Mike Piscitelli -

THANK YOU.

- Alan Deckman & John Bailey - TCORS



Relating to the Government, 2019 Session

New Administration, New Legislative Leaders, New Opportunities... Same Challenges



- 1) Bills That Passed
- 2) Bills That Failed
- 3) Other Activities & Next Steps

Bills That Passed

HB [6939](#)- AN ACT CONCERNING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF MUNICIPAL CULTURAL DISTRICTS

HB [7152](#)- AN ACT ACCELERATING THE DEPLOYMENT OF 5G WIRELESS FACILITIES

HB [7192](#)- AN ACT CONCERNING MUNICIPAL AND REGIONAL OPPORTUNITIES AND EFFICIENCIES

[HB 7209](#) - AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE CONNECTICUT MUNICIPAL REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (As part of budget)

HB [7277](#)- AN ACT CONCERNING THE CREATION OF LAND BANK AUTHORITIES

Bills That Passed

HB [7361](#)- AN ACT CONCERNING THE ADOPTION OF MASTER PLANS BY TAX INCREMENT DISTRICTS

SB [570](#)- AN ACT CONCERNING OPPORTUNITY ZONES

SB [1062](#) AN ACT AUTHORIZING MUNICIPAL CLIMATE CHANGE AND COASTAL RESILIENCY RESERVE FUNDS

SB [1070](#)-- AN ACT CONCERNING ABANDONED AND BLIGHTED PROPERTY CONSERVATORSHIP.

Bills That Failed

HB 6749-- AN ACT TO REORGANIZE THE ZONING ENABLING ACT AND PROMOTE MUNICIPAL COMPLIANCE

- Reorganization/Clarification of 8-2
- Increase Requirement About Zoning “Actively Promoting” Fair/Affordable Housing
- Requiring Commissioner of Housing to Provide Guidance on:
 - Zoning Regulations
 - Affordable Housing Plans (PA 17-170)
- No Financial Liability

Bills That Failed

[SB 1107](#)-- AN ACT CONCERNING THE TERMS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE CONNECTICUT TRUST FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION AND CONSTRUCTION INVOLVING HISTORIC STRUCTURES

[SB 522](#) – AN ACT CONCERNING ALTERNATE MEMBERS OF PLANNING COMMISSIONS

[HB 5229](#) – AN ACT DEFINING ADVERTISING SIGN FOR THE PURPOSES OF MUNICIPAL ZONING REGULATIONS

[HB 5123](#) - AN ACT PROHIBITING THE USE OF EMINENT DOMAIN FOR COMMERCIAL PURPOSES

[550](#)– AN ACT CONCERNING GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS

[6756](#) – AN ACT CONCERNING OPEN SPACE PRESERVATION IN CLUSTER

[5273](#) - AN ACT CONCERNING AS OF RIGHT MULTIFAMILY HOUSING ZONES



Other Activities & Next Steps

Continued work with Fair Housing Working Group

Increased Outreach with Partners - CCM, CT Bar, CHFA, PSC, CAZEO

Status Update & Implementation of “Start With Planning” with New Administration

Work with Reps. McCarthy-Vahey and Zawistowski on P&D Priorities

Work with Sen. Needleman and GIS Network on GIS Standardization Bill

Need New Co-Chair



Questions, Comments, Volunteers to Take Over for
Amanda and Have to Deal With John

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Thank you members!



We welcome comments and suggestions on the Start with Planning approach
and new volunteers to serve our membership
Contact us at info@ccapa.org

