



City of Marion, 303 S. Center Street, Marion, Texas 78124

Phone: 830-914-2391

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION APPLICATION

The City of Marion offers many ways for its citizens to become actively involved in their community. Attending public meetings is one way and the other is to serve on one of the boards or commissions.

Any City of Marion or ETJ resident over the age of 18 that is a registered voter may be a member on these boards/commissions/committees. Members serve without monetary compensation and are appointed by the City Council as required by the rules of appointment for each Board/Commission. Members must take an oath of office and serve in the interest of the Marion community. As a member of a Board/Commission, those who serve are subject to the standards of ethical conduct under the Texas Local Government Code.

Planning and Zoning Commission

Purpose: This Ordinance is enacted for the purpose of promoting the health, safety, morals, and the general welfare of the community and for the protection and preservation of places and areas of historical and cultural importance and significance, and in accordance with applicable State law, to lessen congestion in the streets; to secure safety from fire, panic, and other dangers; to promote health and the general welfare; to provide adequate light and air, to prevent the overcrowding of land; to avoid undue concentration of population; and to facilitate the adequate provision of transportation, water, sewage, schools, parks, and other public requirements.

- (1) Review and make recommendations for zoning boundaries and appropriate zoning regulations for zoning districts;**
- (2) Review and consider amendments to the City's comprehensive *plan*;**
- (3) Review, consider and take action on all preliminary and final plats consistent with the requirements of State and local law;**
- (4) Hold public hearings and consider planning issues when deemed appropriate by the Planning and Zoning Commission upon a finding by a majority vote that the issue being considered is a "planning issue" with such findings being recorded in the minutes of the meeting.**
- (5) To perform other duties and functions as requested by a majority vote of City Council.**

Membership: The Planning and Zoning Commission consists of seven (5) members appointed by City Council. The Planning & Zoning Commission shall choose a Chairperson from among its members.

Term: Overlapping two year terms

Meets: The third Tuesday of the month at 6:00 PM

POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE COMMISSION

1. Formulate a comprehensive plan for the orderly growth and development of the City, and periodically recommend changes to the City Council for its action in updating plans and policies to facilitate the implementation of a comprehensive plan.
2. Develop and update the City of Marion Master Plan and to work with the Administrative Official and contractor to facilitate the development and implementation of Master Plan.
3. Review and recommend to the City Council for its action, amendments to the Master Plan to reflect changes in demands and development patterns which will benefit the overall development of the City.
4. Review and recommend to the City Council for its action, amendments to the Zoning ordinance in order to implement changes in the Master Plan as a result of changing demands and development conditions.
5. Review and recommend to the City Council, for its action, proposed subdivision plats to guide the development of new residential subdivisions in accordance with the City's subdivision ordinance.
6. Review and recommend to the City Council, for its action, alterations to existing building, plumbing, electrical, and related codes as necessary.
7. Draft and recommend to the City Council, for its action, an official zoning map of the City and recommend changes to such map.
8. Make and recommend to the City Council, for its action, plans for the clearance and rebuilding of slum districts and blighted areas which may develop in the City.
9. Make and recommend to the City Council, for its action, a long range transportation plan including requests to improve state highway facilities and proposed route major and minor thoroughfares, resulting in improved circulation and an efficient road system within the City.
10. On a continuing basis, review and make recommendations to the City Council, for its action, policies with respect to annexation, capital improvements and other matters affecting the development of the City.
11. Perform other such duties as may be duly delegated to the Planning and Zoning Commission from time to time by the City Council.

VOLUNTEER APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT TO PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

Name: _____ Date: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work or Cell Phone: (*optional*) _____

Home Address: _____

Email Address: _____

Are you a citizen of Marion? ___ Yes ___ No

Are you 18 years or older? ___ Yes ___ No

Are you registered to vote? ___ Yes ___ No

Do you have immediate family working for the City of Marion? ___ Yes ___ No

If yes, who? _____

Do you have immediate family serving on City Council/Board/Commissions for the City of Marion?
___ Yes ___ No

If yes, who and where do they serve?

Do you receive any direct compensation or gain from any governmental body?
___ Yes ___ No

If yes, what type?

Do you receive any direct compensation or gain from the City of Marion?
___ Yes ___ No

If yes, what type?

Have you ever served on a City of Marion Board, Commission or Committee?
___ Yes ___ No

If yes, list name of Board, Commission or Committee and term of office: ___

I AM INTERESTED IN SERVING ON PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION:

PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION (5 Positions)

Are you currently serving on a City of Marion Board, Planning & Zoning Commission?

Yes No

If yes, Term Expires: _____

Current or past occupation or area of expertise:

Professional and or community activities:

Describe how your past expertise/experience would qualify you to serve on this Board/Commission:

Please include a five hundred (500) word essay describing your interest and qualifications in serving on the City of Marion Planning and Zoning Commission.

(Signature) _____ Date _____

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM:

Office of the City Secretary
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Staff Notations Only:

Date application received: _____

Council action: _____

If appointed, expiration of term: _____