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Introducing the . . .

New Michigan Planning Enabling Act Updated Michigan Zoning Enabling Act

Did you know regarding local planning:

- ◆ In late February, the Michigan Legislature REPEALED the Township Planning Act, the County Planning Act and the Municipal Planning Act via SB 206, effective September 1, 2008?
- ◆ The Michigan Legislature REPLACED all three acts with a single new statute called the Michigan Planning Enabling Act, PA 33 of 2008 (also effective September 1, 2008)?
- ◆ Many ordinances or resolutions creating the planning commission will need to be updated or replaced?
- ◆ Nearly all planning commission bylaws will need to be updated?
- ◆ There are new standards for conflicts of interest for planning commissioners?
- ◆ All local land use plans are now called "master plans?"
- ◆ All planning boards are now called "planning commissions?"
- ◆ All Michigan Townships that have public sewer or water must now prepare a capital improvement program?
- ◆ All cities, villages and township planning commissions can regulate subdivision plats pursuant to an ordinance adopted by the legislative body?

Did you know regarding local zoning:

- ◆ The Governor signed PA 12 of 2008 on February 29th amending the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act?
- ◆ These changes were effective IMMEDIATELY (they are already in effect). Is your community following the updated requirements?
- ◆ These corrective amendments change some of the public notice requirements and clarify many other provisions?

These and many other topics are addressed in this new 3.5 hour training program. But don't delay, the programs will begin soon and **registrations are on a first come, first served basis.**

Who Should Come?

- ◆ Planning commissioners
- ◆ Zoning board members and zoning commissioners
- ◆ Zoning board of appeals members
- ◆ Zoning administrators
- ◆ Professional planners, Master Citizen Planners
- ◆ Elected officials
- ◆ Planning consultants
- ◆ City, township and county managers
- ◆ Interested citizens - You!

Why Attend?

- ◆ Be the first in your community to learn about the new Michigan Planning Enabling Act, and the changes to the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act.
 - ◆ Get a copy of the new Michigan Planning Guidebook and the updated Michigan Zoning Guidebook (2nd Ed.). The author of both is: Mark A. Wyckoff, FAICP, Planning and Zoning Center at MSU.
- ◆ Get handouts of all PowerPoint slides
- ◆ Get many handouts prepared by the MSU Extension Land Use Team on a CD with new procedural guidelines, checklists, sample bylaws, and sample ordinance amendments. A copy of each new act will also be on the CD.
- ◆ Get a chance to be the first to sign up to receive the new Michigan Laws Relating to Planning (last published in 1998)
- ◆ Get your questions on the new Michigan Planning Enabling Act asked and answered!

It's Not Just Any Planning Workshop... Its about the NEW MICHIGAN PLANNING ENABLING ACT and the updated MICHIGAN ZONING ENABLING ACT!!!!

Instructors:

Three veteran Land Use Educators and two emerging stars will be the trainers at this series:

Mark A. Wyckoff, FAICP. Wyckoff is a well known community planner and the director of the Planning and Zoning Center at MSU.

Mary Ann Heidemann, AICP, PCP, PhD. Heidemann is the MSU Extension Regional Land Use Educator for 18 counties in the northeast portion of the Lower Peninsula.

Kurt H. Schindler. The MSU Extension Regional Land Use Educator for 18 counties in the northwest portion of the Lower Peninsula.

Brad Neumann is a county Land Use Educator in St. Joseph County and **Jasneet Sharma** is a county Land Use Educator in Hillsdale and Lenawee counties.

Training Locations

Registration begins at 4:45 p.m., classes begin at 5:30 p.m. and end at 9:30 p.m.

- May 29 - Frankenmuth - Bavarian Inn Lodge
1 Covered Bridge Lane Trainer M. Wyckoff
- June 3 - Big Rapids - Holiday Inn
1005 Perry Avenue Trainer K. Schindler
- June 4 - Grand Rapids - Grand Inn and Conference Center
3221 Plainfield Avenue NE
Trainer M. Wyckoff
- June 5 - East Lansing - Kellogg Center Auditorium
55 S. Harrison Road Trainer M. Wyckoff
- June 10 - Kalamazoo - Kalamazoo Valley Community College, Room 8570
6767 West O Avenue Trainer M. Wyckoff
- June 25 - Mount Pleasant - Comfort Inn
2424 S. Mission Trainer Heidemann

For a complete list of sites, call 989.831.7500 or go on line at: <http://pzcenter.msu.edu/register/MPEAtraining2008.php>

Workshop Registration Form

Please submit a separate form for each person. **Group registrations must be received together**, but can be for different locations. Group name must be the same on each form. One check may pay for multiple participants from the same government agency or business. Please print legibly.

Mail to address below, fax 517-432-3222 or register on-line. (see below)

Name: _____

Title: _____

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Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Daytime phone: _____ Fax number: _____

Email: _____

County you are in: _____

I will attend the following workshop:

_____ May 29 - Frankenmuth (early registration deadline May 19)

_____ June 3 - Big Rapids (early registration deadline May 24)

_____ June 4 - Grand Rapids (early registration deadline May 25)

_____ June 5 - East Lansing (early registration deadline May 26)

_____ June 10 - Kalamazoo (early registration deadline May 31)

_____ June 25 - Mt. Pleasant (early registration deadline June 15)

RATES

Choose best rate you qualify for

	Early Fee	Late Fee*
Rate per person attending one workshop	\$115	\$130
Rate per person for MSU certified Master Citizen Planners	\$105	\$120
Rate per person for Michigan Association of Planning Members	\$105	\$120
Rate per person attending as one of group of 4 or more	\$100	\$115

** Applies to all registrations received < 10 days before the program. No refunds for cancellations < 7 days before training – it is OK to substitute an unregistered person at the door for a preregistered person, but the name tag and certificate will be wrong.*

Return registration (with check/money order made payable to: (Michigan State University) to: Planning and Zoning Center at MSU, 318 Manly Miles, 1405 S. Harrison Rd., East Lansing, MI 48823-5245 or Fax (517) 432-3222.

For more information, or to register by phone, call (517) 432-2222, or register on-line at: <http://pzcenter.msu.edu/registerMPEAtraining2008.php>

Registration fees include: two publications (2nd Edition of **Michigan Zoning Guidebook** and the all new **Michigan Planning Guidebook**, each \$15 if purchased separately); a CD with over a dozen self-help procedural guides and checklists, the text of both enabling acts, and other background materials; the training workshop; and an opportunity to ask questions and refreshments.

Workshop Cancellation: MSU reserves the right to cancel the workshop unless adequate registrations are received by the early registration deadline, which is 10 days prior to the event, as shown on the registration form.

Training Program Agenda

- 4:45 – 5:30 p.m. Registration (*there is NO MEAL - please make other eating arrangements before coming*)
- 5:30 – 5:45 p.m. Welcome and overview of program
- 5:45 – 7:30 p.m. Consolidation of the three planning enabling acts into the New Michigan Planning Enabling Act.
- History of the consolidation effort and stakeholders involved
 - Overview of the new statute
 - **Explanation of changes from prior statutes (major part of this session)**
 - Overview of the New Michigan Planning Guidebook
 - Smart Growth and Strategic Growth actions your community can take when updating plans to better position itself for New Economy jobs and to build a better community at the same time
 - Overview of other self-help materials
 - Questions and answers
- 7:30 – 7:45 p.m. Refreshment break
- 7:45 – 9:00 p.m. Review of Corrective Amendments to the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act, PA 110 of 2006 as amended by PA 12 of 2008:
- **Review of each change and significance of change**
 - Review of changes to the Michigan Zoning Guidebook (2nd Ed.)
 - Overview of other updated self-help materials
 - Questions and answers
- 9:00 – 9:30 p.m. Review of other pending and likely legislation that will affect local planning and zoning
- Questions and answers
 - Timeline of likely changes.



2008 Citizen Planner Advanced Academy Conference, Bus Tour Open to the Public

Anyone engaged in creating vital Michigan communities is invited to attend the 2008 Citizen Planner Advanced Academy set for June 18 through 19, 2008, at the Kellogg Hotel and Conference Center on the campus of Michigan State University in East Lansing.

This annual event is designed to provide a continuing education opportunity for appointed and elected officials throughout the state, and to introduce new attendees to the Citizen Planner program, but it is also a great way for community activists and local leaders to improve their skill level in planning, zoning, site plan review, and placemaking and community development.

The two-day event begins on Wednesday, June 18, 2008, with a bus tour and Michigan Enabling Acts workshop.

The second day features sessions, including:

- Transform Your Zoning Code
- Preparing for the New Economy
- Placemaking
- Site Plan Review
- Farmer's Markets: Boosting Economies of Place and Protecting Farms
- Implementing Low Impact Design: Saving \$\$ on a Rainy Day
- Capital Improvement Planning
- Wind Energy: Policy and Site Issues

Each year, the Innovative Bus Tour highlights best practices in select geographic areas within Michigan and gives attendees a chance to meet the developers and local officials behind featured projects. This year, innovative developments in Genesee and Shiawassee Counties will be showcased, as well as infill developments and adaptive reuse projects in Flint, and new urban agriculture and industrial projects and placemaking efforts in the region.

Following the bus tour, on Wednesday, June 18, 2008, Citizen Planner will be offering an evening training on the Michigan Enabling Acts, which will cover the consolidation of the three planning enabling acts replaced in March 2008 and provide a review of the corrective amendments to the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act.

On Thursday, June 19, 2008, Charles Ballard, professor of Economics at Michigan State University, will be the luncheon keynote speaker, addressing Michigan's economic future. His research involves analysis of public policies-including environmental policies, the Michigan tax system, and tax credits for health insurance. Learn more at the Citizen Planner Advanced Academy at <http://www.citizenplanner.msu.edu/AA%2008%20Brochure.website.pdf>

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