

ARTICLE I-A. PLANNING COMMISSION

Section 1.050. Purpose.

The purpose of this Article is to establish the membership, terms of members and powers of the Commission.

Section 1.060. Statutory Authority.

The Commission is established as the only planning commission under the authority provided to the governing body of Curry County under ORS 215.020.

Section 1.070. Membership of the Commission.

Membership of the Commission shall be established as follows.

1. The Commission shall consist nine (9) members.
2. Members of the Commission shall be appointed by the Board.
3. Members shall be appointed to the Commission for four (4) year terms except as provided for below.
4. The Board shall adjust the term of any position on the Commission to maintain staggered appointments at the time the term of a member sitting in that position expires or the position becomes vacant.
5. Any vacancy on the Commission shall be filled by the Board for the unexpired term of that position.
6. A commission member may be removed by the Board, after hearing, for misconduct or nonperformance of duty. Nonperformance of duty includes, but is not limited to, having two or more unexcused absences in a calendar year.
7. Membership of the Commission shall meet the following requirements:
 - a) The members of the Commission shall be residents of the County.
 - b) The majority of the members of the Commission shall reside in the unincorporated area of the County.
 - c) The membership of the Commission shall be geographically distributed within the County as follows:
 - (1) Three (3) members shall be appointed from the area extending from the Coos County line south to an east-west line at the mouth of Mussel Creek (Arizona Beach);

- (2) Three (3) members shall be appointed from the area extending from the east-west line at the mouth of Mussel Creek (Arizona Beach) south to an east-west line at Crook Point; and
 - (3) Three (3) members shall be appointed from the area extending from the east-west line at Crook Point south to the California state line.
 - d) No more than two (2) voting members of the Commission shall be engaged in the same kind of occupation, business, trade or profession.
 - e) No more than two (2) voting members shall be engaged principally in the buying, selling or developing of real estate for profit, as individuals, or be members of any partnership or officers or employees of any corporation that is engaged principally in the buying, selling or developing of real estate for profit.
- 8. The Board may designate one or more officers of the County to be nonvoting members of the Commission.
 - 9. The members of the Commission shall serve without compensation other than reimbursement for duly authorized expenses which will be paid by the County subject to budgetary authorization.

Section 1.080. Officers of the Commission.

- 1. The Commission shall elect a Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson at the first regular meeting of each calendar year.
- 2. The Chairperson shall be the presiding officer of all meetings and shall be the signatory of all official documents of the Commission.
- 3. The Vice-Chairperson shall perform the duties of the Chairperson in the absence of the Chairperson.
- 4. In the absence of the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson the Commission may elect a Chairperson pro-tem to conduct business on a temporary basis.
- 5. If the position of a Commission officer becomes vacant during the term of the officer then the Commission shall elect a replacement officer at its next regular meeting.

Section 1.090. Powers of the Commission.

- 1. The Commission shall have the power to make recommendations to the Board regarding ordinances intended to implement part or all of the comprehensive plan, including:

- a) Zoning;
 - b) Official maps showing the location and dimensions of, and the degree of permitted access to, existing and proposed thoroughfares, easements and property needed for public purposes;
 - c) Preservation of the integrity of the maps by controls over construction, by making official maps parts of county deed records, and by other action not violative of private property rights;
 - d) Conservation of the natural resources of the county;
 - e) Controlling subdivision and partitioning of land;
 - f) Renaming public thoroughfares;
 - g) Protecting and assuring access to incident solar energy;
 - h) Protecting and assuring access to wind for potential electrical generation or mechanical application; and
 - i) Numbering property for addressing.
2. The Commission shall have those powers to hold hearings, review application requests, make land use decisions and hear appeals as set forth in this ordinance and the Curry County Land Division Ordinance.
 3. The Commission shall advise and cooperate with other planning commissions within the County, State of Oregon and State of California, and shall, upon request, or upon its own initiative, furnish advice or reports to any city, county, officer or other department on any problem related to county planning.
 4. The Commission may enter upon land and make examinations and/or surveys in the performance of its duties for any lands which are the subject of an application to the county for a land use decision by the Commission.