



OKAPA 2008 Annual State Conference



OKLAHOMA CHAPTER of the AMERICAN PLANNING ASSOCIATION

October 16, 2008

“Re-Building the Planning Tradition in Oklahoma”

Edmond Downtown Community Center, 28 E. Main Street, Edmond, OK

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| 8:00 - 8:30 am | On-site registration and packet pickup |
| 8:30 - 9:00 am | Welcome and Introductions: Edmond Mayor Dan O’Neil
Jan Ramseyer Fees (OKAPA President) |
| 9:00 – 10:00 am | Building Enough
Keynote Speaker - <u>Jack Crowley, FAICP</u> |
| 10:00 - 11:00 am | Planning for ADA/504 Compliant Communities
<u>Darren Kaihlanen</u> , Civil Rights Specialist, FHWA Oklahoma Division |
| 11:00 -12:00 am | The New Generation of Planners
<u>Dr. Charles Warnken</u> , University of Oklahoma (Assistant Professor, College of Architecture, Regional and City Planning) |
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| 12:00 - 12:15 pm | Break and get box lunches for bus or walking tour |
| Lunch Options
12:15 - 1:45 pm | Option 1: Edmond Commercial Development and Municipal Facilities Mobile Workshop - 50 person maximum.
Option 2: Streetscaping & Public Art in Downtown Edmond – Walking Tour.
Option 3: ADA over Lunch - Round Table Discussion (8 maximum). |
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| 1:50 – 2:50 pm | Current Influences and Trends in Oklahoma Cities and Towns Panel Discussion: Susan Miller, AICP, Oklahoma City Urban Design and Planning Division ; Linda Price, AICP, Norman Planning Department; Erik Enyart, AICP, City of Bixby; and Laura McElhanon, AICP, Ardmore, Oklahoma. |
| 2:50 – 3:00 am | Break |
| 3:00 - 4:30 pm | The Ethical Planner - The Foundation for Rebuilding Planning in Oklahoma
<u>Steve Boettcher, AICP</u> |
| 4:30 - 5:30 pm | Annual OKAPA Meeting and End of Conference |
| 6:00 - 8:00 pm | Appetizers and Refreshments at Hideaway Pizza
116 E. 5th Street (between Boulevard and Broadway) |

NOTE: The CM credits noted on the following pages are currently being reviewed by APA/AICP.

(as of September 26, 2008)



Session Summary and Speaker Bio

9:00 – 10:00 Keynote: Building Enough (1 CM)

Jack Crowley, FAICP

Oklahoma cities headline the highest and lowest of various national scorecards – best place to raise kids, but low on walkability; least stressful commutes, but not well practiced in modern methods for regional transit and transportation planning. Crowley will provide a provocative keynote on the public and private sectors' roles in infrastructure, urban planning, and financial sustainability.

Jack Crowley, FAICP, serves as the Special Advisor to the Mayor of Tulsa on Urban Planning and Development. Crowley will focus on downtown revitalization and development of the Arkansas River area adjacent to downtown. Crowley served as Dean of the College of Environmental Design at the University of Georgia from 1996 to 2006. His career as a planner spans three decades and includes serving as Director of the Oklahoma Department of Transportation, as Director of the Tulsa Metro Area Planning Commission, and as an urban development executive with Williams Company.

10:00 - 11:00 Planning for ADA/504 Compliant Communities (1 CM)

Darren Kaihlanen

Through stewardship and oversight over all Federal, State, and local government agencies that build and maintain highways, the Federal Highway Administration is responsible for implementation of pedestrian access requirements from the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990 and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. Additionally, Title 23 requires that long-range transportation plans and transportation improvement programs provide for the development and operation of accessible systems and facilities.

This presentation provides a basic framework for understanding accessibility in the public rights-of-way and illustrates the basic steps in conducting an ADA Self-Evaluation of facilities, programs and services, and scheduling required for pedestrian accessibility upgrades.

Since June 2007, Darren has served as the Civil Rights Specialist for the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), Oklahoma Division. Prior to the FHWA, Darren was the American with Disabilities Act (ADA) Coordinator (Title I/II) for the State of Montana, Montana Department of Transportation (MDT). A recent graduate of Kent State University, Darren and his family reside in Edmond, Oklahoma.

11:00 – 12:00 The New Generation of Planners (1 CM)

Dr. Charles Warnken

What does it take to meet the current professional demands in the planning field? Who are our new planners and how are they trained? This presentation covers how three exciting new trends in the planning field: Multiculturalism in our cities and towns, the resurgence of urban design principles, and sustainable development concepts are changing both professional practice and planning education. This interactive session focuses on how these trends are changing planning education and professional planning practice. The session concludes with some reflections on how universities are preparing their graduates to meet the evolving needs of clients and the public with a focus on how new land use planning tools and techniques are developing to meet these trends and challenges.

Assistant Professor Charles G. Warnken, University of Oklahoma College of Architecture's Regional and City Planning Program, teaches courses in housing and community development, economic development, land use planning/law, and currently directs RCPL's graduate studio program. Charles received his Ph.D. in Urban and Regional Planning from the Florida State University (2003), holds an MPA degree from the University of Louisville (1996) and a bachelors degree in Political Science from the University of Wyoming (1992).



12:15 – 1:45 Option 1:

Edmond Commercial Development and Municipal Facilities Mobile Workshop (1.5 CM)

Bob Schiermeyer

Let Robert “Bob” Schiermeyer, Edmond Planning Director and 2007 Citizen of the Year, give you an informative tour of quality and unique commercial developments, a variety of outstanding residential additions, and Edmond’s award winning municipal facilities at the Cross Timbers Municipal Complex and the Park and Recreation Department Multi-Activity Center, the MAC. You will be enlightened and entertained by Bob’s perspective and history of planning in Edmond with his 35 plus years of experience in Edmond.

Bob graduated from University of Oklahoma for his Bachelors degree in Urban Studies and with a Master’s degree in Regional and City Planning. Bob was the first City Planner hired for the City of Edmond (1972). Bob currently is the Director of Planning, overseeing the operations of the Edmond Planning Department which involves incorporating new approaches while being actively engaged in balancing growth challenges in the community. Bob has received numerous awards for his work in Edmond, most recently the 2006 Edmond Economic Development Authority Keys to Growth Award and the Chamber of Commerce 2007 Citizen of the Year Award.

12:15 - 1:45 Option 2:

Streetscaping and Public Art in Downtown Edmond – Walking Tour (1.5 CM)

Randel Shadid and Sandra Naifeh

Former Edmond Mayors Randel Shadid (1991-1995) and Sandra Naifeh (2001-2007) will lead a walking tour of public art in downtown Edmond. Hear about the history of Arts in Public Places and their wonderful perspective on development in the Edmond Urban District. Visit a variety of sculptures in downtown Edmond, the offices of Shadid and his art gallery, and streetscape in the core of Edmond’s central business district. Learn about a new facade program for Broadway and also get an overview of a new municipal campus master plan.

Randel Shadid received a Bachelor of Business Administration and Juris Doctorate Degree from the University of Oklahoma. Randel served on the City Council from 1979 to 1995 representing three terms as City Councilman and two terms as mayor. He helped establish the Art in Public Places Program in the City of Edmond. He also served on the City Finance Committee, Edmond Economic Development Authority, Chaired the Central Edmond Urban Board, Chaired the Visual Arts Commission, is an Elder in the First Christian Church, and is a member of Rotary Club.

12:15 - 1:45 Option 3:

ADA over Lunch (1.5 CM)

Round Table Discussion with Darren Kaihlanen. This is a continuation of the morning ADA session.

1:50 - 2:50 Current Influences and Trends in Oklahoma Cities and Towns (1 CM)

Panel members (invited): Susan Miller, AICP, City of Oklahoma City’s Urban Design and Comprehensive Planning Division Head; Linda Price, AICP, City of Norman Planning Department; Erik Enyart, Planning Director, City of Bixby, OK. (preliminary list of panel participants)

Professionals working in Oklahoma cities, small and large, will present local perspectives, challenges, and predictions. We’ll take a look at how planning and local government is addressing the short and long term community needs.

Linda Price, AICP, currently holds the title of Revitalization Manager, managing a division of the Department of Planning & Community Development in Norman, Oklahoma. Linda’s responsibilities include code compliance, federal grant programs including Community Development Block Grant and HOME programs, historic preservation, neighborhood planning, oil and gas issues, and the capital budget. She also staffs the Transportation Committee for the City Council as well as a homeless oversight committee. Linda was an adjunct professor of regional and city planning at OU from 1986 to 1993, teaching courses in neighborhood revitalization and housing.



Susan Miller, AICP, joined the Oklahoma City Planning Department as manager of the Urban Design and Planning Division in June, 2006. The Urban Design and Planning Division is responsible for design review areas in the City of Oklahoma City, such as: Historic Preservation Districts; Bricktown, Asian District, Plaza District, Capitol Hill, Stockyards, Downtown and the Scenic River. In addition, the Division is responsible for the City's Comprehensive Plan, Sector Plans, Corridor Plans and Special Area Plans, such as the Lake Hefner Plan. The Division is also initiating a transportation planning program for the City

Erik Enyart, AICP, is the Planning Director for the City of Bixby, OK. His experience includes practical application of zoning and subdivision regulations to various development situations, creative problem solving, and regular updates to zoning, subdivision, and development regulations for the City of Bixby. Mr. Enyart has previous experience as county planner for Creek County and city planner for Collinsville, OK. Mr. Enyart is accredited with the American Institute of Certified Planners and is a member of the national American Planning Association.

Laura McElhanon, AICP, is the Development Services Director (planning, historic preservation, building, code enforcement and GIS) in Ardmore, Oklahoma. Laura received her Bachelor of Science Degree in Technical Careers (Interior Design and Urban Planning) from Southern Illinois University in Carbondale. She began her Planning career as an intern with the City of Oklahoma City while attending the University of Oklahoma in the Regional & City Planning program. Laura has worked as a planner in St. Lucie County, Florida, Chesterfield, Missouri, Sugar Land, Texas, and Leesburg, Florida over the past 20 years. In fall of 2007, Laura moved with her husband and dogs Rock Hudson and Doris Day to Ardmore, Oklahoma.

3:00 - 4:30 The Ethical Planner - The Foundation for Rebuilding Planning in Oklahoma (1.5 CM)

Join in a discussion of the AICP Code of Ethics as OKAPA Executive Board Members facilitate individual roundtable discussions utilizing challenging scenarios that you might encounter as a planner in Oklahoma. In addition to the scenarios, each roundtable will be asked to share their insights on randomly selected sections of the Code including aspirational principles and rules of conduct. Moderated by Steve Boettcher, AICP.

Steve Boettcher, AICP. Steve has served at the OKAPA Professional Development Officer (PDO) since 2003. Steve graduated from the University of Oklahoma with a Masters of Regional & City Planning in 1979. He also holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Geography from East Central Oklahoma State University. Steve began his planning career with a Tribal Government in Oklahoma, followed by two different positions in Kansas. Steve worked for the City of Edmond, Oklahoma Planning Department for 19 years, primarily with current planning activities, the Edmond Public Transportation Committee, and the City of Edmond Community Development Block Grant program. In 2001 Steve began working for the Indian Nations Council of Governments in Tulsa as a Housing and Community Development Planner. At INCOG he works with the Metropolitan Tulsa HOME Consortium and the CDBG small cities grant program. He also serves on the Steering Committee of the Tulsa County Continuum of Care. Steve is a past Treasurer of OKAPA and is a member of APA and AICP (1999).

4:30 - 5:30 OKAPA Annual Meeting
Jan Ramseyer Fees, AICP, OKAPA President