

Blount County Planning Department

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The Blount County Planning Department is a division of county government under the County Mayor. The Department provides staff support to the Planning Commission, and general planning services to county government and the public.

The Department reviews subdivision plats, answers questions on development posed by the public, provides data services to the public and county government, and supports long range planning efforts of the Planning Commission and the County Commission. The Department maintains official documents such as the Planning Commission Minutes, Subdivision Regulations, and Major Road Plan. The Department supports the Building Commissioner on matters of zoning.

The Department coordinates on development matters with the Highway Department, the Environmental Department, and other county departments as needed. The Department also coordinates with other local and regional planning functions with membership of staff on the Transportation Planning Organization Technical Committee (former Metropolitan Planning Organization), and other local and regional planning related bodies. The Department also undertakes special projects such as grant proposals as needed.

The Department welcomes and encourages citizen participation in planning.

Planning Department personnel are as follows: John Lamb – Director of Planning; Douglas Hancock – Planner; and Marlene Hodge – Planning Administrative Assistant. Office hours are 8:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M., Monday through Friday, with other hours to serve the public by appointment. Deadline for submission of items for the Planning Commission agenda is the first day of each month, or the first working day thereafter if on weekend or holiday. A special called meeting requires five days notice in the newspaper, and a submission deadline of 15 days prior to the meeting.