



**PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
AGENDA
VIA ZOOM TELE-CONFERENCE
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MEETING
TAOS SKI VALLEY, NEW MEXICO
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2026 AT 1:00 PM**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER AND NOTICE OF MEETING**
- 2. ROLL CALL**
- 3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
- 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
 - A. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 17TH, 2025 PLANNING & ZONING MEETING**
- 5. NEW BUSINESS**
 - A. CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2026-007- A RESOLUTION CONCERNING PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION MEETINGS AND PUBLIC NOTICE REQUIRED**
 - B. P&Z COMMISSION MEMBERSHIP
REVIEWING THE CURRENT TERMS:**

Commissioner J.Scott Hall, 2 year term until Oct. 2026
Commissioner Jim Woodard, 4 year term until Aug. 2027
Commissioner Henry Caldwell, 4 year term until Aug. 2027
Commissioner Yvette Klinkman, 4 year term until Aug. 2027
Commissioner Bob Corroon, 4 year term until Aug. 2027
Commissioner Susan Nichols, 6 year term until Aug. 2029
Commissioner Tom Wittman, 6 year term until Aug. 2029
 - C. Requesting a Nomination from the Commission for a Commissioner to be elected as the Chair.**
 - D. Discussion and Recommendation from the Commission for the Council to hire a person to fill the position of Community Development/Planning Director.**
 - E. Designation of Code Official/Code Enforcement Officer Recommend to the Council that the Village Administrator be appointed as the Code Official/Code Enforcement Officer for the Village for the purpose of enforcing the codes, ordinances, and regulations of the Village, as promulgated by the governing body, to include the Village nuisance, zoning and land use codes.**
 - F. Discussion and Consideration of expanding the role of the Commission, such as reviewing and recommending approval of all building permits, granting variances for subdividing existing lots.**
- 6. OLD BUSINESS**
- 7. MISCELLANEOUS**

8. ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE DATE, TIME & PLACE OF THE NEXT MEETING OF THE P&Z COMMISSION

03-March-REGULAR MEETING. The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Planning & Zoning Commission of the Village of Taos Ski Valley will be held as a hybrid in-person and on-line meeting on March 2, 2026, at 1:00 pm in Room 102, 9 Firehouse Rd., Taos Ski Valley, NM and the Agenda, Agenda attachments, and Zoom Meeting link will be available to the public on the Village website at <https://www.vtsv.org>.

9. ADJOURNMENT

MINUTES



**PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**
Monday, November 17, 2025 1:00 P.M.
Via Zoom Tele-Conference
See www.vtsv.org for information to attend the meeting
TAOS SKI VALLEY, NEW MEXICO

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**PLANNING & ZONING
COMMISSION:**

Thomas P. Wittman,
Chair

Henry Caldwell

Robert Corroon

Scott Hall

Yvette Klinkmann

Susan Nichols

Jim Woodard

**VILLAGE
ADMINISTRATOR:**
Rick Bellis

**ACTING DIRECTOR OF
PLANNING &
COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT:**
Rick Bellis

VILLAGE CLERK:
Marlene Salazar

1. CALL TO ORDER (Chairman Wittman)
Commission Board Chair Wittman called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm, roll call was taken and a quorum was established. All Commission members were present: Henry Caldwell, Robert Corroon, Scott Hall, Yvette Klinkman, James Woodard & Susan Nichols.

2. ROLL CALL (Marlene Salazar, Village Clerk)

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA (Chairman Wittman)

MOTION: Commissioner Hall **SECOND:** Commissioner Woodard
PASSED: 6-0

**4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE JULY 07, 2025 P&Z
COMMISSION MEETING** (Chairman Wittman)
Link to view draft minutes: 07-PZ-Minutes-07-07-2025.pdf

MOTION: Commissioner Woodard **SECOND:** Commissioner Hall
PASSED: 6-0

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

Members of the public that would like to address the Commission have 5 minutes to speak.

(None)

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. None

7. OLD BUSINESS

A. None

8. STAFF REPORT

a. Status of the Village Comprehensive Plan/Master Plan Update. (Rick Bellis, Acting Planning Director)

The Planning and Zoning Commission discussed the status of the Village Comprehensive Master Plan Update, with Administrator Bellis explaining that while they had initially budgeted \$50,000-70,000, the contractor that was selected by RFP quoted \$150,000. Due to changing state requirements and reduced funding pressure, Administrator Bellis suggested doing the update in-house using census data and Department of Labor statistics, with the work potentially being reflected in future grant applications and ICIP planning. Board Chair, Wittman expressed concern about the Comprehensive Plan needing an update and does not want this affecting future capital outlay approvals. Next steps include writing up a draft letter and sending it to DFA indicating the village's intent to start updating the Comprehensive Plan internally in 2026, solicit input from Village committees for the draft letter, take the draft letter to Mayor, and Council, and confirm if this approach risks capital outlay funding; include deadline of December 12th for capital outlay submissions.

- b. Taos Ski Valley, Inc. lot line adjustments (Attachment 1.0)

Link to view attachment: [Attachment-1-TSVI-Adjustments.pdf](#)

Village Administrator Bellis discussed the importance of Commissioner input from the Planning Commission on significant lot line adjustments and consolidations. Administrator Bellis briefly discussed lot line adjustment problems in the village and explained the need and that they were made to improve clarity in zoning and allow for future development flexibility.

- c. Proposed Pattison lot consolidations and resolution of outstanding (Attachment 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, 2.4, 2.5)

Link to view attachments: [Attachments-2.1-2.2-2.3-2.4-2.5.pdf](#)

Village Administrator Bellis discussed a proposed consolidation of remainder lots in the Pattison property area, which would simplify property ownership and potentially create a riparian greenway. The Patterson Trust offered to remove all reversionary conditions on conveyed properties in exchange for minor adjustments to lot lines and the purchase of old usable pipe. The agreement would cost \$16,000 and require Roger Patterson to submit signed surveys and deeds for both existing and new lots. The transfer of deed would cost the village nothing, as the Trust would cover survey and title work, while also allowing for improvements to Twining Road and the creation of a public right-of-way to the hiker parking area. Commissioner Caldwell raised questions about property appraisals and encroachments, while Commissioner Woodard clarified that the property in question was donated

by a neighborhood association rather than the Patterson Trust. The commission agreed to proceed with the deal, which would include releases of restrictions for recreational purposes and allow the village to give permission for gondola stanchions, though no immediate construction was planned.

- d. TSVI Water Conservation Plan (Attachment 3.1, 3.2, 3.3)
Link to view attachments: [Attachments-3.1-3.2-3.3.pdf](#)

Administrator and Commissioner discussion focused on a Water Conservation Plan required by the Forest Service, which Administrator Bellis explained is a broad statement of goals rather than a detailed plan. Administrator Bellis noted that water conservation is not directly related to the villages' water supply to the municipality. Resident Trudy DiLeo inquired about mitigation measures for drought scenarios. Administrator Bellis mentioned there will be an ongoing discussion with John Kelly, TSVI COO, about coordinating water resources.

- e. Upcoming items for future agendas. (Rick Bellis, Acting Planning Director) No Comments
- f. Staffing

Village Administrator Bellis informed the Commission he will be retiring December 31, 2025. The Village will have an open position for the title of Planning & Economic Development Director. Administrator Bellis recommends to Village Council this title to also include Code Official.

9. MISCELLANEOUS

- a. Identification and discussion of 2026 goals and objectives for the Planning and Zoning Commission.

Board Chair Wittman suggested meeting more often. **Commissioner Woodard** suggested updating the “An Ordinance Adopting Zoning Regulations and a Zoning Map for the Village of Taos Ski Valley, N.M

- b. Identification of 2026 priorities for the Village. **Board Chair Wittman** reported finding a Village Administrator would be priority.
- c. Comments and questions from the Commission Members. (No comments)

10. ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the P&Z Commission Board will be held on Monday January 5, 2025, at 1:00 p.m. via hybrid.

11. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Commissioner Woodard **SECOND:** Commissioner Hall

PASSED: 6-0

Commission Board Chair Tom Wittman

Village Clerk, Marlene Salazar

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VILLAGE OF TAOS SKI VALLEY

RESOLUTION 2026-007

A RESOLUTION CONCERNING PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION MEETINGS AND PUBLIC NOTICE REQUIRED

WHEREAS, Section 10-15-1(B) of the New Mexico Open Meetings Act, NMSA 1978 as amended, provides that "All meetings of a quorum of Village Council or any board, commission or other policy-making body of any state agency, or any agency or authority of any county, municipality, district or any political subdivision held for the purpose of formulating public policy, discussing public business or for the purpose of taking any action within the authority or the delegated authority of such board, commission or other policy-making body, are declared to be public meetings open to the public at all times, except as otherwise provided in the constitution or the provisions of the Open Meetings Act"; and,

WHEREAS, any meetings subject to the Open Meetings Act at which the discussion or adoption of any proposed resolution, regulation or formal action occurs shall be held only after reasonable notice to the public; and,

WHEREAS, Section 10-15-4, NMSA 1978 provides that "Any person violating any of the provisions of Section 10-15-1, NMSA 1978 is guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be punished by a fine of not more than five hundred dollars (\$500) for each offense"; and,

WHEREAS, Section 10-15-1(D) of the Open Meetings Act requires the Village of Taos Ski Valley to determine annually what constitutes reasonable notice of its public meetings;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Planning and Zoning Commission of the Village of Taos Ski Valley, New Mexico that:

1. All meetings shall be held via Zoom, at 1:00 p.m. or as indicated in the meeting notice.

2. Unless otherwise specified, regular meetings shall be held each month on the first Monday. The agenda will be available at least seventy-two hours prior to the meeting from the Village Clerk whose office is located in room 102, 9 Firehouse Rd. Taos Ski Valley, New Mexico. Notice of any other regular meetings will be given ten (10) days in advance of the meeting date. The notice shall indicate how a copy of the agenda may be obtained.

3. Special meetings may be called by a majority of the Commission upon three (3) days' notice. The notice shall include an agenda for the meeting or information on how the Commission or the public may obtain a copy of the agenda. The agenda shall be available to the public at least seventy-two hours before any special meeting.

4. Emergency meetings will be called only under unforeseen circumstances which demand immediate action to protect the health, safety, and property of citizens or to protect the public body from substantial financial loss. The Village of Taos Ski Valley will avoid emergency meetings whenever possible. Emergency meetings may be called by a majority of the Commission upon twenty-four (24) hours' notice, unless threat of personal injury or property damage requires less notice. The notice for all emergency meetings shall include an agenda for the meeting or information on how the public may obtain a copy of the agenda.

5. In addition to the regular meetings of the Commission there are Briefings and Workshop Meetings at which no action will be taken and are held principally as information and study sessions. When these meetings are scheduled, Notice will be provided.

6. The notice requirements of Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 of this Resolution are complied with if the proposed agenda with the meeting date, time and location is posted at the Village's offices in room 102, 9 Firehouse Rd, Taos Ski Valley, NM, 7 Firehouse Road and at the board in Box Canyon, the U.S. Post Office for Taos Ski Valley, New Mexico, and two other public places within the Village, as provided by Section 3-1-2 NMSA 1978, and on the public body's web site. Revised agendas may be posted up to seventy-two (72) hours prior to the meeting. In addition, written notice of such meetings shall be mailed, or hand delivered to federally-licensed broadcast stations and newspapers of general circulation which have provided a written request for such notice.

7. Notwithstanding any other provisions of Sections 1 through 6 of this Resolution, the Commission may establish such additional notice requirements as may be deemed proper and advisable to comply with the provisions of the Open Meetings Act.

8. If any meeting is closed pursuant to exclusions contained in Section 10-15-1, Subsection H, NMSA 1978, such closed meetings called by the Commission shall not be held until public notice, appropriate under the circumstances, and in compliance with Sections 1 through 6 of this Resolution, has been given. In addition, such notice shall state the exclusion or exclusions in Section 10-15-1, Subsection H, NMSA 1978 of the Open Meetings Act, under which such closed meeting is permitted.

PASSED, ADOPTED, AND APPROVED this _____ day of _____, 2026.

**THE VILLAGE OF TAOS SKI VALLEY
PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION**

Thomas P. Wittman, Chair

Mayor, Chris Stanek

Attest:

Marlene Salazar , Village Clerk

(Seal)

Vote: For _____ Against _____ Abstain _____

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Village of Taos Ski Valley

Job Description

Job Title:	Planner 1	Job Code:	210
Division:	Administration	Effective Date:	07/13
Department:	Administration	Last Revised:	06/13

GENERAL PURPOSE

Performs a variety of **administrative** duties related to planning and land development activities that impact municipal development and resource allocation processes of the village. Responsible for responding to zoning inquiries, reviewing development plans and applications for zoning code compliance. Responsible for preparing related reports and correspondence to the Planning and Zoning Commission.

SUPERVISION RECEIVED

Works under the direct guidance and direction of the Community Development Director.

SUPERVISION EXERCISED

None

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS

Planning & Zoning:

- Reviews community and land development documents and proposals for adherence to established guidelines, rules and regulations.
- Responds to land use and zoning inquiries, assists customers in maintaining compliance of site development plans with Village codes and ordinances.
- Utilizes knowledge of zoning and subdivision codes, regulations, and policies to assist the public in finding alternative solutions to site development problems.
- Research and draft ordinances for review by staff and the planning and zoning commission.
- Process zoning applications including conditional use permits, special use permits, certificates of compatibility, and variances.
- Performs field development inspections with approved plans.
- Prepares public hearing notices; post signs on sites for public hearings.
- Prepares written staff reports and makes presentations at public meetings.
- Apply the sign regulations ordinance, reviews and approves new and existing signs for conformance with applicable codes.
- Maintains current knowledge of land use and environmental law, site planning and development practices.
- Apply Night Sky Ordinance as it pertains to existing and future development.
- Maintains and updates the Village data base, including maps, plats, easements, and arc view geographic information systems.
- Must be able to read, interpret, apply and explain rules, regulations, policies, and procedures. Read and interpret maps, blueprints, and legal descriptions for proper zoning classifications, setbacks, and height restrictions.

Operations:

- Assists public works crews in the construction, maintenance and repair of various elements of the village utility service system, including wastewater collection, wastewater treatment, water distribution and street operations.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

1. Education and Experience:

- Graduation from college with a bachelor's degree in urban planning, public policy/administration or a related field acceptable to the Village;
AND
- Some experience in urban and regional planning and development is desired;
OR
- An equivalent combination of education and experience.

2. Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities:

Thorough knowledge of principles and practices of comprehensive urban planning, economics, sociology and community organization as applied to urban planning; relationships between various factors affecting urban planning policy, such as economic, political, sociological, legal, etc.; zoning laws and comprehensive plans including their formation, process of adoption and enforcement research and statistical analysis and the evaluation of research data; land use, zoning, federal, state, and local laws. **Considerable knowledge** of using hand held GPS surveying equipment and integrating said data into a geographic information system (GIS) data base (ARC VIEW).

Considerable skill in the art of diplomacy and cooperative problem solving.

Ability to interpret laws, ordinances and regulations common to public works operations; keep operating records and prepare reports; to conduct necessary engineering research and compile comprehensive reports; establish and maintain effective working relationships with employees, other agencies and the public. Effectively utilize personal computer, including word processing, spreadsheet, and database; motor vehicle; phone; radio; fax and copy machine.

3. Special Qualifications:

Prefer some post academic experience with ESRI Arc GIS desktop applications and relational database management systems.

Must possess a valid New Mexico Drivers license.

4. Work Environment:

Incumbent of the position performs in a typical office setting with appropriate climate controls. Tasks require variety of physical activities, which may require muscular strain, related to walking, standing, stooping, sitting, and reaching. Some outdoor work is required in the inspection of various land use developments, construction sites, or public works facilities. Hand-eye coordination is necessary to operate computers and various pieces of office equipment. Essential functions require talking, hearing and seeing. Must occasionally lift and/or move weights up to 100 pounds or more with assistance. Common eye, hand, finger dexterity exist. Mental application utilizes memory for details, verbal instructions, emotional stability, discriminating thinking and creative problem solving. Periodic travel required in normal course of job performance.

The job description does not constitute an employment agreement between the Village and employee and is subject to change by the Village as the needs of the Village and requirements of the job change. Employee Signature: _____ Date: _____

Village of Taos Ski Valley

Job Description

Job Title:	Community Development Administrator	Job Code:	200
Division:	Administration	Effective Date:	04/04
Department:	Administration	Last Revised:	06/05

GENERAL PURPOSE

Performs a variety of professional, administrative and managerial duties related to planning, directing, organizing, and controlling the community development, capital improvement, and planning and zoning functions of the village. Oversees the various engineering phases of projects related to coordinating the design, development and construction of village infrastructure and various public works utility projects. Works with contract engineers to maintain project deadlines and assure compliance with construction specifications and standards.

SUPERVISION RECEIVED

Works under the general guidance and direction of the Village Administrator.

SUPERVISION EXERCISED

Provides functional supervision to Engineering Contractors engaged to construct or repair various components of the Village public works system. Provides professional engineering guidance to public works support staff on a project-by-project basis. Provides close to general supervision to administrative support staff on a project-by-project basis.

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS

Planning & Zoning: Conducts day-to-day village operations for the development, implementation and enforcement of building and zoning regulations and ordinances; initiates studies in planning/zoning issues, development of ordinances, business regulations, review of permits, etc.; meets with public, developers, entrepreneurs, and contractors; discusses planning, zoning, and development issues; issues interpretations of village zoning, planning, building and related ordinances and regulations.

Coordinate, schedule, attend, and conduct meetings of Planning and Zoning Board; conducts public meetings and hearings as needed to solicit public response and apprise of policy and project options; educates the public through media, reports, public meetings and presentations; participates in town-wide fiscal planning processes; administers State and Federal grant programs; identifies sources for alternative funding related to special projects; applies for grants, implements administrative processes as needed to comply with grant conditions; monitors grant compliance to assure effective working relationships with funding agencies.

Develop, organize and facilitate on-going, current and long range comprehensive planning processes and procedures for current and long range needs; coordinates and participates in the development and maintenance of village general plan; identifies alternatives for converting policy ideas into action plans affecting village development, expansion, transportation and related public programs.

Oversees various special function areas related to subdivision development, zoning proposals, land acquisitions, building permits; oversees priority studies related to population, housing, social, economic and transportation.

Building: Serves as village Building Inspector in controlling the enforcement and inspection of residential and commercial structures for conformity to established village, county, and state building codes; develops, implements, evaluates and revises policies, practices, priorities, methods and procedures in order to improve uniformity, fairness, accuracy and efficiency of code interpretations and enforcement; develops and recommends changes to ordinances; works closely with village Attorney in insuring compliance with ordinances and laws pertaining to building regulations; coordinates Board of Adjustment proceedings as needed.

Determines and recommends building permit fees following established procedures for building type and size; issues permits for building, plumbing, electrical, water, heating, cooling and other construction phases as required by law; calculates impact fees consistent with village ordinances and regulations; makes determinations and recommendations affecting changes in fee structure.

Conducts pre-project/construction processes; advises architects, engineers, contractors and owners on code and design requirements; may coordinate the preparation of various drafts of project documents and specifications; coordinates review and planning activities with Fire Chief; performs complex and detailed plan checks of major projects; researches and reviews proposed building plans to assure compliance with ordinances, building and safety codes; performs technical and comprehensive inspections of residential or commercial building and construction activities within the village; routinely inspects building excavation, foundation, framing of walls, floors, structural elements, rated assemblies, fire dampers, smoke evacuation systems, air and vapor barriers, handicapped facilities, truss structures, etc.; may also inspect curbs, gutters, backfill, sidewalks, driveways and other site improvements; initiates stop work orders; conducts abatement proceedings on unsafe buildings.

Construction Management: Coordinates, manages and monitors a variety of operations, projects and activities related to infrastructure, utility and capital improvement project design and construction; performs management duties related to consultant selection, contracting, design overview, construction administration and project close-out.

Reviews engineering specifications and reports for proposed projects; ensures adherence with established standards and work plans, processes and procedures; coordinates project activities and requirements; prepares change orders; monitors consultant activities and work, ensures timely completion; coordinates project inspections; serves as liaison with state, county, and local jurisdictions; monitors compliance with codes and standards; manages issues related to parking and drainage; conducts engineering field inspections to assure compliance with codes and standards; may perform preliminary survey work to validate sites and project locations.

Attends pre-construction conferences; coordinates involvement of local contractors, special districts, village departments and local utilities as needed to produce the most comprehensive view of planned public works development; inspects construction site to determine conformance of site to design specifications

Operations: assists public works crews in the construction, maintenance and repair of various elements of the village utility service system, including wastewater collection, wastewater treatment, water distribution and street operations.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

1. **Education and Experience:**

- A. Graduation from college with a bachelor's degree construction management, land use planning, urban planning, civil engineering, community development, public administration or related field;
AND
- B. Eight (8) years of experience in a comprehensive public works program; experience in the administration and management of materials and personnel necessary for the development and maintenance of public works systems;
OR
- C. An equivalent combination of education and experience.

2. **Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities:**

Thorough knowledge of principles and practices of comprehensive urban planning, economics, sociology and community organization as applied to urban planning; relationships between various factors affecting urban planning policy, such as economic, political, sociological, legal, etc.; zoning laws and comprehensive plans including their formation, process of adoption and enforcement research and statistical analysis and the evaluation of research data; land use, zoning, federal, state, and local laws. **Considerable knowledge** of construction methods and materials common to commercial, industrial and residential construction projects; basic engineering standards and codes building, plumbing, electrical, mechanical and energy conservation codes; modern construction methods, practices, materials, tools and equipment; basic drafting techniques, blue prints and related specifications. **Working knowledge** of general civil engineering principles and practices; legal environment associated with public works projects, construction and maintenance; current methods, principles and practices of sewer, road and street construction and maintenance and the collection and delivery of culinary water and waste water; of technical and practical design of public works systems of the use of a variety of types of technical engineering equipment, surveying and drafting tools; political, legal and governmental processes affecting various engineering programs and project management; EPA regulations and various environmental quality laws (Safe Drinking Water Act, etc.), equipment and materials used in construction and maintenance operations; computer aided design (CAD) applications and programs; safety practices and principles involved in public works; current codes, standards, safety practices and principles involved in public works; principles of management and employee supervision.

Considerable skill in the art of diplomacy and cooperative problem solving.

Ability to interpret laws, ordinances and regulations common to public works operations; keep operating records and prepare reports; to conduct necessary engineering research and compile comprehensive reports; establish and maintain effective working relationships with employees, other agencies and the public. Effectively utilize personal computer, including word processing, spreadsheet, and database; motor vehicle; phone; radio; fax and copy machine.

3. **Special Qualifications:**

Must possess a valid New Mexico Drivers license. Ability to obtain New Mexico State Certification required by ICBO within 2 years of employment. Registration as an Engineer In Training (EIT) preferred. Preference given for CZO (Certified Zoning Official) certification and AICP (American Institute of Certified Planners).

4. **Work Environment:**

Incumbent of the position performs in a typical office setting with appropriate climate controls. Tasks require variety of physical activities, which may require muscular strain, related to walking, standing, stooping, sitting, and reaching. Some outdoor work is required in the inspection of various land use developments, construction sites, or public works facilities. Hand-eye coordination is necessary to operate computers and various pieces of office equipment. Essential functions require talking, hearing and seeing. Must occasionally lift weights of 10-50 pounds. Common eye, hand, finger dexterity exist. Mental application utilizes memory for details, verbal instructions, emotional stability, discriminating thinking and creative problem solving. Periodic travel required in normal course of job performance.

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Village of Taos Ski Valley

Job Description

Job Title:	Planning & Zoning, GIS, and Community Development	Job Code:
Division:	Administration	Effective Date:
Department:	Planning and Zoning	Last Revised: 2/2018

GENERAL PURPOSE

Performs a variety of administrative duties related to planning, zoning, and community development activities that impact municipal development and resource allocation processes of the Village. Responsible for current/long-term planning, GIS, project management/coordination, liaison with developers, builders, and engineers, review plats, building plans, zoning issues, permits for conformance with the municipal code/plan, and federal/state regulations. Responsible for preparing related reports and correspondence for the Planning and Zoning Commission and Village Council. Primary support staff to the Planning and Zoning Commission.

SUPERVISION RECEIVED

Works under the general guidance and direction of the Village Administrator.

SUPERVISION EXERCISED

None. Works with Building & Construction Director and the Public Works Department on coordinating projects and planning.

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS

Administrative Functions: Serves as a member of the executive management team; organizes and oversees departmental administrative functions; prepares and recommends budget and staff requirements of the Community Development Department, coordinates, reviews and reports on current planning applications; assists with the preparation of planning studies, policies and ordinances.

Supervises the processing and review of subdivision projects, commercial and multi-family development applications, site plan review, and similar development project requests for conformance with Village plans, ordinances and policies; coordinates planning projects related to policy development, land use, demographic analysis, housing, transportation, environmental assessments, conducts field inspections on development proposals, land-use issues, surveys, planning studies and other projects.

Prepares complaints for legal action against violators of zoning code and related ordinances; works with Village Administrator and Village Attorney in the prosecution of such violations when necessary.

Provides technical guidance on code issues to the public, Village Council, Village Planning & Zoning Commission; coordinates with various agencies, including, Neighborhood Association(s), New Mexico Non-Profit Organizations, Conservation District, local, state, federal, and tribal and agencies.

Submits staff reports as directed by Village Administrator; attends meetings with Village Council and Village Planning & Zoning Commission when necessary; prepares correspondence, staff reports and inter-office memorandum.

Prepares educational materials for the public; responds to public, official and press inquiries relative to community development planning, zoning, and code enforcement services, activities and issues.

Planning & Zoning: Reviews community and land development documents and proposals for adherence to established guidelines, rules and regulations; responds to land use and zoning inquires, assists customers in maintaining compliance of site development plans with Village codes and ordinances.

Prepares long-range plans for land use and development, including comprehensive plans and site specific or topical master plans; coordinates work of consultants to complete plans, studies, and maps.

Process zoning applications including conditional use permits, special use permits, certificates of compatibility, and variances; performs field development inspections with approved plans; prepares public hearing notices; post signs on sites for public hearings; prepares written staff reports and makes presentations at public meetings.

Apply the sign regulations ordinance, reviews and approves new and existing signs for conformance with applicable codes; maintains current knowledge of land use and environmental law, site planning and development practices; apply Night Sky Ordinance as it pertains to existing and future development.

Maintains and updates the Village data base, including maps, plats, easements, and geographic information systems; gathers data and creates GIS spatial and relational database of various geographic elements; must be able to read, interpret, apply and explain rules, regulations, policies, and procedures; read and interpret maps, blueprints, and legal descriptions for proper zoning classifications, setbacks, and height restrictions.

Community Development: Performs professional, administrative and technical duties related to planning, organizing, directing and coordinating Village-wide community development. Assists development agencies in expanding and improving the Village's economic base, including business retention and the building of commercial, industrial and retail sites within the community. Administers the Village's redevelopment programs and initiatives.

Coordinates and monitors, on behalf of the Village, all economic development/redevelopment programs with developers, contractors, property owners and other interested parties.

Oversees and implements the Village's long-term economic development strategic plan; generates and nurtures professional working relationships with private developers, realtors, business leaders, banking and financial leaders, economic development professionals, professional and trade associations, state and local government leaders, the Village of Taos Ski Valley Chamber of Commerce and other community leaders.

Code Enforcement: Receives complaints from citizens regarding alleged violations of Village ordinances, codes, and regulations; determines nature of the allegation and apprises callers of possible investigation schedule; monitors community compliance with various ordinances, including nuisances, noise, snow removal, illegal signage, weed infestations, etc.

Advises property owners, builders and contractors as needed to apprise appropriate parties of concerns and potential violations; searches tax records; obtains facts necessary to determine proper course of actions; coordinates and monitors solutions.

Conducts field investigations and property inspections to determine extent of violations; checks for "clear view" on corner lots, verifies business licenses, monitors sign compliance; prepares various investigative reports; initiates legal proceedings where appropriate and coordinates the same with Village legal staff; may administer preliminary sanctions as allowed by ordinance or code.

Conducts regular review of codes, ordinances and regulations; receives legal interpretations as needed to direct enforcement of compliance; makes recommendations related to practical application of codes and ordinances; assists in adapting, modifying or rewriting codes as needed.

Prepares and provides written and oral reports to Village council, boards, committees, and public interest groups as required to explain code enforcement activities and program needs; gives testimony in a court of law as an expert witness.

Performs related duties as required.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

1. Education and Experience:

- A. Graduation from college with a bachelor's degree construction management, land use planning, urban planning, civil engineering, community development, public administration or related field;
AND
- B. Four (4) years of experience in a comprehensive planning or public works program; experience in the administration and management of materials and personnel necessary for the development and maintenance of public works systems;
OR
- C. An equivalent combination of education and experience.

2. Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities:

Thorough knowledge of principles and practices of comprehensive urban planning, economics, sociology and community organization as applied to urban planning; relationships between various factors affecting urban planning policy, such as economic, political, sociological, legal, etc.; zoning laws and comprehensive plans including their formation, process of adoption and enforcement research and statistical analysis and the evaluation of research data; land use, zoning, federal, state, and local laws. **Basic knowledge** of using hand held GPS surveying equipment and integrating said data into a geographic information system (GIS) data base; basic drafting techniques, blue prints and related specifications.

Considerable skill in the art of diplomacy and cooperative problem solving.

Ability to conduct necessary planning and development research and compile comprehensive reports; establish and maintain effective working relationships with employees, other agencies and the public. Effectively utilize personal computer, including word processing, spreadsheet, and database (Microsoft Office); motor vehicle; phone; radio; fax and copy machine.

3. Special Qualifications:

Preference given for CZO (Certified Zoning Official) certification and AICP (American Institute of Certified Planners), and/or Building Inspector Experience. Must possess a valid New Mexico Driver's license.

4. Work Environment:

Incumbent of the position performs in a typical office setting with appropriate climate controls. Tasks require variety of physical activities, which may require muscular strain, related to walking, standing, stooping, sitting, and reaching. Some outdoor work is required in the inspection of various land use developments, construction sites, or public works facilities. Hand-eye coordination is necessary to operate computers and various pieces of office equipment. Essential functions require talking, hearing and seeing. Must occasionally lift weights of 10-50 pounds. Common eye, hand, finger dexterity exist. Mental application utilizes memory for details, verbal instructions, emotional stability, discriminating thinking and creative problem solving. Periodic travel required in normal course of job performance.

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