

PLANNING DEPARTMENT WORK PROGRAM

(Revised 2/21/17)

2016 Completed Projects

	Project Name	Brief Summary
1.	Short Term Vacation Rentals (Ordinance 15-11)	An ordinance creating a Short Term Rental Overlay Zone.
2.	Definitions (Ordinance 16-04)	An ordinance amending several definitions in the LUDC.
3.	Itinerant Vendors and Food Parks (Ordinance 16-09)	An ordinance modifying the itinerant vendor code and establishing provisions for the establishment of Food Parks.
4.	Historical Overlay Extension (Ordinance 16-11)	An ordinance extending the HOZ to include approximately 35 acres to the south of the current boundary along Paseo del Pueblo Sur.
5.	Medical Cannabis (Ordinance 16-16)	Change the term “marijuana” to “cannabis” and modify the provision for in house physicians.
6.	Development Review Committee (Ordinance 16-10A)	An ordinance removing DRC public hearing notification requirements from the LUDC.
7.	Flood Damage Prevention (Ordinance 16-17)	Modify existing provisions within LUDC to include standards related to elevation above grade requirements for Base Flood Elevation Certificates for properties within the Approximate A Zone.
8.	Temporary Motor Vehicle Sales (Ordinance 16-18)	Adding new provisions to the LUDC for a Special Use Permit process for temporary motor vehicle sales and events.
9.	Cultural Landscape Report (Case PZ-2016-40)	Adoption of the CLR by the Town Council as the guiding policy document for the development of the Plaza.
10.	Hotel Overlay Zone (Case PZ-2016-46)	Creation of a Hotel Overlay Zone in portions of the HCPD.
11.	Commercial Design Standards (Case PZ-2016-51)	Modification of the existing design standards for commercial and industrial buildings.
12.	Split-Lot Zoning (Case PZ-2016-48)	Modification of zoning regulations to prohibit split-lot zoning.

2017 Completed Projects

	Project Name	Brief Summary
1.	Subdivision Final Plat Requirements (Ordinance # 2017-01)	Amend the Town code to require that applicants wishing to submit a final plat for approval must notice adjacent properties in the same manner that notice is required for preliminary plat approval.

Scheduled Ordinance Amendments

	Project Name	Brief Summary	Status
1.	Sign Regulations (Case PZ/HPC-2015-72)	Adoption of modified sign regulations.	Legal Review: Complete PZ: Complete HPC: Complete Council: Pending
2.	Home Efficiency Rating System	Discussion about the Home Efficiency Rating System, specifically whether or not to remove the process as a requirement for home construction.	Legal Review: Pending PZ: 3/8/17 HPC: N/A Council: Pending
3.	2017 Housekeeping Ordinance	Relocating descriptions and requirements for Variances, Conditional Use and Special Use Permits from definitions section to a more appropriate location. Also revision of Flood Zone A elevation requirement in Floodplain Management Ordinance and revision of the architectural design standards in the TND.	Legal Review: Pending PZ: 3/8/17 HPC: N/A Council: Pending
4.	Subdivision Regulations	Revise subdivision regulations.	Legal Review: Pending PZ: 3/8/17 HPC: N/A Council: Pending
5.	Updates to Application and Public Hearing Procedures (Case PZ-2016-58)	Add staff recommendation to the list of possible ways to initiate amendments to Title 16.	Legal Review: Pending PZ: 4/12/17 HPC: N/A Council: Pending
6.	Acequia Protection	Revise acequia protections standards in the LUDC	Legal Review: Pending PZ: 4/12/17 HPC: N/A Council: Pending
7.	Film Permit	Create a permitting process for individuals or organizations that are looking to film in the Town of Taos.	Legal Review: Pending PZ: 4/12/17 HPC: N/A Council: Pending
8.	Mixed-Use Overlay Zone	Develop a Live-Work-Play Ordinance allowing for mixed-use commercial and residential in certain zones.	Legal Review: Pending PZ: 4/12/17 HPC: N/A Council: Pending
9.	HOZ Design Standards	Architectural Walking Tour.	Legal Review: N/A PZ: N/A HPC: 4/19/17 Council: N/A

10.	Outdoor Displays	Amend LUDC to allow for outdoor display of merchandise as long as it does not impede pedestrian walk way or sight distance, requiring a minimum of 48" of walkway space on any given pedestrian right of way.	Legal Review: Pending PZ: 5/10/17 HPC: N/A Council: Pending
11.	Association/Commercial Swimming Pool Regulations	Adoption of association/commercial swimming pool regulations in accordance with NM State law.	Legal Review: Pending PZ: 5/10/17 HPC: N/A Council: Pending
12.	Xeriscaping	Modify LUDC to allow for commercial applications of Xeriscaping in lieu of irrigated landscaping.	Legal Review: Pending PZ: 6/14/17 HPC: N/A Council: Pending
13.	TND Zoning District	Amend the TND code.	Legal Review: Pending PZ: 6/14/17 HPC: N/A Council: Pending

Long Range Planning and Administration Projects

	Project Name	Brief Summary	Status
1.	Taos Green Printing and Trails Plan & Enchanted Circle Trails Coalition	Regional trail and open space systems planning and implementation project.	In Progress
2.	Web-Based Application System Development	Development and implementation of a web-based application system for all permit, zoning and land use development applications.	In Progress
3.	Town of Taos Build Out Analysis	Develop a build out analysis that will provide an estimate of maximum future densities based on current zoning designations for the Town.	In Progress
4.	One Mile ETZ Overlay	Creation of one-mile extra-territorial zone.	In Progress
5.	Terrain Management, Storm Water, and Erosion Control Requirements	Reformat application intake and review for residential and commercial requirements for the above management plans. Confirm adherence to best management practices.	In Progress
6.	Micro-Commercial PUDs	Modify LUDC to develop a commercial based PUD that allows for the possibilities for alternative construction including micro-commercial spaces.	In Progress
7.	Taos Tree Care Plan	Staff support to the Town of Taos Tree Board in the development of the tree care plan.	In Progress

8.	Rio Fernando Revitalization Project	Water and land conservation planning project involving restoration and revitalization of the Rio Fernando River Corridor	In Progress
9.	Rio Grande Water Fund & Taos Valley Watershed Coalition	Collaborative effort based on the concept of forest revitalization through tree thinning projects on large scale landscapes.	In Progress
10.	New Mexico League of Zoning Officials	Editor for the Zoning Stone Magazine	In Progress
11.	Taos County Community Wildfire Protection Plan Partner	Participation in the development of a regional wildfire protection plan.	In Progress
12.	Community Builders Downtown Corridor Visioning Project	Visioning for economic development and transportation planning in the downtown.	In Progress