



THURSDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2021

CONFERENCE AGENDA

10:00 am – 10:15 am Welcome and Opening Remarks

10:15 am – 11:30 am Planner's Forest Toolkit: Codes, Ordinances, and Practices (1.25 CM*)

Karen Firehock, AICP, Executive Director, Green Infrastructure Center

Frances Waites, Urban and Community Forestry Coordinator, South Carolina Forestry Commission

Tree loss in South Carolina impacts air quality, water quality, urban heat island, real estate values, flooding and storm buffering. The SC Planner's Forest Toolkit covers the ordinances, policies and practices needed to ensure a robust and resilient forest including case studies, code language and statistics on SC forest benefits and best practices for policies.

11:30 am – 12:30 pm Lunch Break

12:30 pm – 1:45 pm Practical Approaches to Promoting Equity, Inclusion and Diversity in Local Planning (1.25 CM*) (E)

Dr. Barry Nocks, FAICP, Professor Emeritus & Lecturer, Clemson City and Regional Planning Program

Inclusion is a major emphasis generally, and in APA specifically. Inequities in voting rights, civil rights, black lives matter, and numerous other sources have raised this issue to prominence in recent years. While planning has recognized these issues for decades, significant progress remains to reach our current expectations of equity, diversity and inclusion for all. This session will explore specific approaches that local planners can use to promote equity, diversity and inclusion through open discussion of some particular applications.

1:45 pm – 3:00 pm DHEC as Partners in Environmental Planning, Zoning and Community Engagement (1.25 CM*)

Kristy Ellenburg, Director of Collaborative Partnerships & Strategic Initiatives, SCDHEC Environmental Affairs

Julie Blalock, Assistant Chief, SCDHEC Bureau of Land & Waste Management

The South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) fulfills its mission of protecting and promoting the health of the public and the environment with its regulatory responsibilities, applied science and stakeholder and community engagement. Many of the programs, projects and permits of DHEC Environmental Affairs have connections with local comprehensive land use planning, zoning and ordinances. There are often opportunities for better coordination and understanding of the processes, timing and impacts between state and local decision-making. This session will highlight current regulatory issues, such as solid waste management, recycling, mining and stormwater management. In addition, it look at current stakeholder processes around legislative priorities, including solar panels, electronic waste and surface water, and discuss best practices for public participation and community engagement.

3:00 pm – 4:00 pm A Tale of Two Downtowns: Master Plan Charrettes in Inman and Cheraw (1.25 CM*)

Irene Dumas Tyson, AICP, Associate AIA, Boudreaux

Joe Lanahan, Administrator, City of Inman

The City of Inman and Town of Cheraw provide two tales of downtown master plans creating through charrettes. This session explores the charrette process and how to tailor charrettes to meet specific downtown revitalization needs, leading to new visions, new roadmaps, new investors and new opportunities for each community. We will discuss the roles and responsibilities of the municipal staff and the charrette team and share how to use charrettes to bring a community together for a common vision.

4:00 pm – 4:15 pm Closing Remarks



FRIDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2021

CONFERENCE AGENDA

10:00 am – 10:15 am Welcome and Opening Remarks

10:15 am – 11:45 am Legal (1.5 CM*) (L)

Tyson Smith, AICP, Esq., White & Smith Planning and Law Group

Melinda Lucka Kelley, Esq., Finkel Law Firm

Sean Scoopmire, Esq., White & Smith Planning and Law Group

Eric Shytle, Esq., General Counsel, Municipal Association of South Carolina

Four South Carolina land use attorneys will cover the basics and the “hot issues” land use planners and lawyers confront in the state today. Among the topics discussed will be impact fees as a funding (and politically-supportable) option for public infrastructure; variances, special exceptions, and other procedural requirements (and “gray areas”) in South Carolina, and the latest and greatest on sign regulation and content-neutrality.

11:45 am – 12:30 pm Lunch Break

12:30 pm – 1:45 pm Working Collaboratively to Integrate Climate Science into Planning (1.25CM*)

Dr. Greg Carbone, Carolinas Integrated Sciences & Assessment (CISA), University of South Carolina

Dr. Kristin Dow, CISA, University of South Carolina

Jory Fleming, Climate Solutions Specialist, CISA, University of South Carolina

Rob Merchant, AICP, Acting Director of the Beaufort County Planning and Zoning Department

The Carolinas Integrated Sciences & Assessments (CISA) team works with stakeholders and decision makers throughout the Carolinas to integrate climate science into different planning and decision-making processes. This session will include a summary of anticipated climate changes and impacts for South Carolina, an overview of a new Climate and Hazard Mitigation Planning Tool, and highlights from the Three Rivers Watershed-Basin Plan and the Beaufort County Long-Term Resilience Strategy.

1:45 pm – 3:00 pm Market Research and Site Analysis (1.25CM*)

Bridget Wiles, Chief Operations Officer, APD Urban Planning and Management, LLC

Reginald White, GIS Specialist, APD Urban Planning and Management, LLC

Steven Gonzales, Senior Analyst, APD Urban Planning and Management, LLC

Explore how market research and geospatial tools are used in neighborhood level planning and community involvement. Participants will learn how geospatial analytics can be applied to facilitate equitable community development and participation in community engagement.

3:00 pm – 4:00 pm Navigating the Quickly Changing Public Engagement Process Through In-Person and Digital Platforms (1.25 CM*)

Jennifer H. Humphreys, AICP, Vice President, CDM Smith

Laura Stevens, AICP, Senior Environmental Planner, Parrish & Partners

Nicole Riddle, Edwards-Pitman Environmental

Planning professionals have been navigating the critical need for meaningful public engagement through in person and digital methods for many years. With the public health crisis posed by the COVID-19 pandemic, many had to quickly pivot and rethink how to communicate with our communities and receive information during this period, aiming to keep projects on schedule AND preserve this critical element of meaningful engagement. Our panelists will present transportation projects of various sizes and complexity – sharing with the audience what their engagement challenges and goals were, how they were addressed through various methods, and the results of those efforts. The panelists will focus on some of the tips and tricks used as well as lessons learned to help guide the public engagement decision making process into future projects.

4:00 pm – 4:15 pm Closing Remarks



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As indicated, sessions have been submitted to the American Planning Association and are pending approval for Certification Maintenance (CM) credits at this time. Based on the content of the sessions and the credentials of the presenters, it is anticipated that CM credits will be approved in advance of the conference date.

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