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California Conferences Set Pace for APA California’s Growth

California’s APA Conferences have long been highly regarded, offering a variety of experiences second only to the National Planning Conference itself. But if you’re joining us for the first time, you might be surprised to know how far our conferences have come in the 70 years since APA California was founded as California Chapter of the American Institute of Planners in 1948.

Early Annual Meetings Reflect a New and Growing Organization

The first evidence of a statewide planning conference comes to us from 1934, when a photo of the state’s leading planners was taken during a meeting of the California Planners Institute at the Hotel Del Monte in Monterey, a structure that became the Naval Postgraduate School in 1952. An image, reprinted in a 1960s newsletter, features 24 men, posed for a “class photo” on the hotel lawn.

There is no other record until 1947, when the organizers of the newly forming California Chapter of AIP conducted their annual meeting at the Wolf Hotel in Stockton, an event which included a tour of the port and a talk by the Division of Highways. There were only around 100 members in all of California, and undoubtedly many fewer in attendance at the meeting. The early meetings were modest, low-budget affairs.

There is evidence of a 1959 annual meeting in Santa Cruz. Early newsletters often carried summaries of what was discussed at the conference. These were much smaller, more intimate gatherings that could often be accommodated in California’s then-mid-size cities.

Annual Meetings Became Conferences in the 1960s

The rapid growth of the profession is apparent by 1960. Nationally, the American Institute of Planners (AIP) had grown to 17 chapters and a $100,000 budget. (Adjusted for inflation over time, the national organization’s 1960 budget would be worth $727,000 today.) That year appears to have been about the time the tradition of annual meetings morphed into our modern conception of a conference, with the 1960 event being held February 4-7 at the Hotel Claremont in Berkeley. California AIP had roughly 500 members at the time.

On June 9, 1960 the Chapter hosted a special conference—“The Future of Development in California” with state associations, cities, counties, and Chambers of Commerce throughout California. That conference was held at the Biltmore Hotel in Los Angeles.

These conferences were time capsules reflecting the values of their time. The Chapter’s February 1961 event, held at the Lafayette Hotel in Long Beach February 10-12, included a slide show on European planning by the late Si Eisner; a transportation seminar by Larry Wilson; and discussions of the nuclear age, performance standards, public relations, planning commissions, and urban renewal. A separate ladies’ program included a visit to a luxury liner, a harbor tour on the Shearwater, breakfast at the Captain’s Inn, a champagne luncheon and fashion show, and a farewell breakfast at the hotel.

By 1962, both membership and conference attendance were growing. “Change, Challenge and Response,” the 1962 conference, drew between 200 and 300 attendees, an amazing number given the fact that total California Chapter membership that year was only 540 members. Organizers were pleased at the turnout despite pouring rain. A focus of discussions was a panel exploring how to reverse racial segregation, the first total California Chapter membership that year.

As the years progressed, conferences became more focused and the issues have become more controversial. The year 1964 brought planners to Sacramento February 13-15 for an event themed, “The Environment: Whose Responsibility?”

San Diego Hosts Its First Cal AIP Conference

The first Chapter conference hosted in San Diego appears to have been in 1965 (February 10-13), five years after the San Diego Section was formed. The conference featured tours of Sea World and the Tijuana Club, as well as a cruise and dinner on San Diego Bay. San Diego has proven to be a popular destination, with the conference returning here in 1970, 1979, 1994, 2002, which gets my vote for best marketing slogan: “Plan Diego Because It’s a Zoo Out There,” 2010 and now 2018.

In 1966 California AIP hosted its first ever midyear Policy Conference in Monterey, September 30-October 1. But the Chapter’s big show that year was February 10-12 in Fresno, titled “The Future of the Central City,” and nearly timed to the development of Fresno’s landmark downtown mall (which opened in 1964). That year the Chapter issued a 59-page book of conference proceedings edited by Robert R. Bolt.

The year 1967 marked the 50th anniversary of AIP, and with it the Chapter held “The Next 50 Years: Growth and the California Environment,” with a 97-page booklet of conference proceedings issued that year. But the cost and complexity of issuing annual conference proceedings has caused that practice to subside, and new technologies have allowed downloadable, digital versions to emerge.

The Chapter conference moved to Riverside the following year, where “Social Issues in Planning” was the focus of an event at the historic Mission Inn, March 27–30.

In 1970 the conference returned to San Diego, held March 19-22 at the Ramada Inn Harbor Island and tied to San Diego’s bicentennial. Los Angeles followed a similar design when it hosted the 1981 conference in recognition of Los Angeles’ bicentennial.

Our records are sketchy for where and what conferences were held between 1970 and 1975, but by 1976 the record reappears with a conference in Sacramento. “In the Midst of Great Change, a New Spirit” was the theme of a meeting held at the old Senator Hotel April 21–24.

We didn’t find a record of a conference in
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See You in San Diego!

Greetings APA California Members,

friends, colleagues and partners! It is time once again for our Chapter’s premiere event: our annual Chapter Conference. This year’s theme, Shaping Our Future: Planning Places for All, reflects our core values of inclusion and diversity, and focuses on our mission as planners to create great places. The beautiful city of San Diego will host our conference this year and the Conference Host Committee, led by co-chairs Carey Fernandes and Brooke Peterson (with maternity leave support from Betsy McCullough—congratulations on the twins, Brooke!), are planning an amazing event, starting with our opening reception on the aircraft carrier, USS Midway.

Did you know that your Chapter leadership holds one of its annual meetings in conjunction with the Chapter conference? The Chapter Board of Directors, which includes 19 elected voting members (including our eight Section Directors), 19 appointed advisors and five other non-voting members (including our national representatives and leaders from the Planner Emeritus Network and the California Planner Emeritus Network), will meet from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, October 6, the day before the conference starts. APA members are welcome and I encourage you to stop by if you’re interested in becoming part of Chapter leadership or just curious about how our organization works. Our Board meetings are a mix of typical business items (like Chapter development and membership inclusion) and programmatic initiatives (like professional development and membership inclusion) and strategic planning.

As of this writing, our agenda is not yet finalized, but it promises to change the way APA members expand their planning knowledge by creating individualized portals to all kinds of training and educational materials from conference sessions to webinars to learning channels we haven’t even thought of yet. I’ve asked our vice president for Professional Development, Kimberly Brossseau, AICP, to lead an APA California task force that will look at this national program and report back at our October board meeting on how our Chapter’s efforts can best integrate with APA Learn. It’s something to look forward to.

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The Strategic Plan is of particular interest because it provides the basis for the Chapter’s strategic initiatives for the next couple of years. The strategic planning process is being led by your President-elect, Julia Lave-Johnston. Our next Strategic Plan is still in the formulation stage, but it will focus on a mix of associate business issues (like diversifying revenue sources for enhancing member services) and broader thematic issues like strengthening and formalizing relationships with public health professionals and other natural partners and increasing diversity among Chapter membership and leadership. All agenda reports for our Board meeting will be posted on the Chapter website prior to the meeting, so check there for the latest information. Being involved with the Chapter board (or the board of your local Section) is a great way to hone your leadership skills, so check it out!

A couple of initiatives at APA National that I would like to highlight … this fall, APA will begin rolling out its new “learning management system,” APA Learn. Details are scant at this point, but it promises to change the way APA members expand their planning knowledge by creating individualized portals to all kinds of training and educational materials from conference sessions to webinars to learning channels we haven’t even thought of yet. I’ve asked our vice president for Professional Development, Kimberly Brossseau, AICP, to lead an APA California task force that will look at this national program and report back at our October board meeting on how our Chapter’s efforts can best integrate with APA Learn. It’s something to look forward to.

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I hope to see many of you in San Diego come October. Have a great summer.

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FEATURE | Jane Clough, PhD

A Different Border Relationship in Planning: Tribal Nations in a Regional Landscape

The United States Constitution and treaties recognize Native American communities as separate and independent sovereign nations within the territorial boundaries of the United States. Tribes operate under independent constitutions, have their own systems of governance, and establish and administer their own laws.

This sovereign status of tribal governments dictates that the United States and all agencies operating within it engage in government-to-government relationships with Native American tribes.

While the federal-tribal government relationship is well established, the local-tribal government relationship has not been as clearly defined. As the San Diego region continues to grow, there is an increasing need to better coordinate tribal, local, and regional planning efforts to make the best use of resources while protecting and enhancing the quality of life for all residents. The need for establishing a government-to-government framework at a regional level has become increasingly apparent. The San Diego Association of Government’s (SANDAG) Borders Program—with an s—provides a policy framework for developing a government to government relationship with tribal nations in the region. The Borders Committee usually discussed policy issues related to San Diego’s borders with Mexico and other counties. Acknowledging the borders with sovereign tribal governments as part of the Borders Committee represents an important step in understanding the issues and challenges facing tribes and developing a long-term relationship between governments.

Brief History of Tribal Nations in San Diego

Of the 109 federally recognized Indian tribes in the United States, 18 are located in San Diego County. These reservations are represented by 18 federally recognized tribal governments.

Tribal Nations in a Regional Landscape – Planning Issues

As domestic sovereign nations, tribes are subject to federal regulations, but not usually local or state regulations. In addition to the standard governmental functions of regulating, taxing, and delivering services, tribal governments act to preserve and protect tribal culture and community, including determining tribal membership. Tribal governments are responsible for the development, management, and operation of tribal economic enterprises. Native American reservations currently cover more than 127,000 acres in the San Diego region, approximately four percent of the region’s land base. Like many rural communities, planning and transportation issues affect these reservations, as they are all located in remote areas outside of incorporated cities. Some reservations are outside the urban transportation system, but near major highways, while others are not even fully connected to county roads. Inadequate access to and from the reservations often results in a lack of economic opportunities, as well as insufficient health, social, and cultural services.

Tribal governments face many unique environmental challenges because of their sovereign status. Conservation is important to tribal nations, but most tribal lands are now surrounded by land controlled by federal, state, or private parties. As efforts to preserve habitat throughout the region increase, pressure for tribal lands to be considered open space or endangered species habitat have risen. Additionally, there are many important natural areas with cultural significance located outside the reservation in areas where tribes have limited influence or control. This highlights the importance of diplomatic discussions to identify ways in which tribes, as land use authorities, can join the regional dialogue on
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In recent years, gaming and other types of development have led to rapid economic growth for a number of tribes. In the San Diego region, the Indian gaming industry has created more than 10,000 jobs resulting in a $1 billion industry with approximately $263 million in goods and services purchased annually and $500 million in payroll. This growth has been accompanied by increases in traffic, jobs-housing accessibility issues, and the need for additional resources such as water and energy. As part of the gaming compact process, tribal governments are required to submit to the state a Tribal Environmental Impact Report, the findings of which are subject to negotiation between the tribal government and the local land use authority adjacent to it. However, there are currently no protocols or requirements in place for exchanging information regarding long-term land use and transportation plans on tribal lands for the purposes of regional planning.

Borders Framework: Government to Government Framework with Tribal Nations

Over the past fifteen years SANDAG and the Southern California Tribal Chairmen’s Association (SCTCA) an intertribal council of the tribes in the region—have developed a government-to-government framework to engage in planning dialogue and action at the regional level. On January 26, 2007, SCTCA and SANDAG signed a Memorandum of Understanding incorporating the SCTCA as an advisory member on the SANDAG Board of Directors and Policy Advisory Committees. Tribal leaders are now part of the regional decision-making process at a policy level, offering a tribal perspective to complex regional issues.

An overarching element of the government-to-government framework is having periodic summits between the leadership of the two principal intergovernmental agencies—SCTCA and SANDAG. A summit offers an opportunity for tribal and local elected officials from the region to engage in a diplomatic dialogue, identify issues of mutual concern, and develop priority actions that can be carried out through the partnership framework.

The government-to-government framework provides a technical mechanism for pursuing collaborative action. Based on a recommendation made at the 2006 Tribal Summit, SANDAG facilitates an Interagency Technical Working Group on Tribal Transportation Issues as a forum for tribal governments to discuss and coordinate transportation issues with planning agencies, including SANDAG, Caltrans, the County of San Diego, the Metropolitan Transit System, and the North County Transit District. This working group and the SCTCA review activities and plans being implemented by SANDAG and the tribal governments to address issues of concern and ensure the needs of tribal governments are incorporated into the transportation planning process at the regional level.

The success of this tribal model within a borders framework has demonstrated that, when working collaboratively, public agencies and tribal governments can create a mechanism for timely, meaningful, and effective involvement of tribal governments in the regional and transportation planning process. SANDAG and tribal governments are continuing to develop a cross-border relationship and pursue better outcomes in the future.

Dr. Jane Clough is a senior planner at the San Diego Association of Governments and has expertise in working with Native American communities. She is leading Mobile Workshop S1 at the conference on Monday morning titled, “An Experiment in Affordable Housing: The Story of Irving J. Gill and the Barona Band of Mission Indians,” and is coordinating a session Tuesday at 1:30 pm, titled “Nations within a Nation: The Challenges of Tribal Planning in the San Diego Region.”

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A birds-eye view of the San Diego-Tijuana region as it might become as envisioned in 'Temporary Paradise'.
Source: Citizens Coordinate for Century 3

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Smokestacks won! John Nolen did return in 1926 to prepare a revised Comprehensive Plan for the city, including public improvements and parks, new residential neighborhoods and commercial locations, which led to the city’s first zoning ordinance in 1932.

The city had grown substantially to support the war effort and new development was planned in new areas such as “suburban” Linda Vista, patterned after Radburn New Jersey as a New Town. Linda Vista was home to the first modern shopping center. By 1944 the city leaders were recommending a new vision for the city to be developed. This vision would concentrate on the development of Mission Bay as a year round recreation attraction. It also recommended that the city diversify from the Navy, fishing and agriculture as its only local economy and pursue a broad-based tourist and industrial base.

The Post-War Era: Managing Growth

In 1960 the city was 197 square acres with a population of 573,224. In 1970 the size increased to 314 square miles and the population to almost 700,000. The city and major land owners were beginning to discuss the commercial development of Mission Valley in association with a new highway system. The new development removed historic agriculture acreages and would ultimately replace downtown as the major commercial center. This prompted a General Plan Study in 1967 that was considered by many a step in the “creeping socialism.” The Plan did build on the early Nolen plans and addressed a strong core for the city; prevention of sprawl; preservation of open space; provision of housing; and provision of facilities and services, but was never adopted with strong land use policies.

Pete Wilson (later Senator and Governor Wilson) was elected Mayor of San Diego in 1971 and had a renewed interest in planning San Diego’s future growth. By 1980, San Diego’s size would grow to 320 square miles and the population would expand to over 875,000. Homes, mostly suburban single-family, were being built in master planned communities in the city’s northern undeveloped areas without public facilities and services, while downtown San Diego was in decline due to development of suburban shopping malls beyond Mission Valley. As a result of this new development pattern, local leaders retained an academic team to review the city’s planning program and make recommendations for the future. The result was a milestone planning document for San Diego prepared by Kevin Lynch and Donald Appleyard titled “Temporary Paradise! A Look at the Special Landscape of the San Diego Region.” The report challenged the San Diego region to understand and manage its growth.

As the economy improved in the 1980s, development in outlying areas skyrocketed in the city’s Planned Urbanizing Area as well as in smaller cities contiguous with San Diego’s northern borders. San Diego suddenly saw 12,000 – 15,000 residential units annually, causing impacts on traffic and concern to new residents who thought open land around their neighborhoods was going to be permanently undeveloped. Downtown revitalization was flourishing through Redevelopment, including the building of Horton Plaza but causing the loss of older transient resident hotels. The city developed a Single Room Occupancy program and ordinance which won an Innovations Award from the Ford Foundation.

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The year 1991 brought “On the Edge” (October 20-23), to the Sacramento Convention Center. With Chapter membership approaching 5,000 for the first time, the 1991 conference would have marked the first ever keynote appearance by a California Governor. And Gov. Pete Wilson did attend the conference, but his planned announcement of a statewide growth strategy was overshadowed by the Oakland Hills Fire, causing the keynote address to become a media appearance as the Governor sought instead to reassure a worried State and Bay Area as the devastating fire blazed through the Oakland Hills.

**New Cities Become Conference Hosts**

As more and more mid-size cities saw the development of larger hotels, the Chapter’s conference had new flexibility to visit smaller communities. Pasadena hosted the state conference for the first time in 1992 with “Celebrate the Spirit of Planning,” held at the Doubletree Hotel and boosting attendance to more than 900.

Modesto hosted its first conference in 1993, choosing “Going for the Gold: Maintaining California’s Competitive Edge.” The reunion was held at the Red Lion Inn, October 3-6. And San Diego once again delivered a memorable conference in 1994 when it hosted “Edges, Borders and New Frontiers” at the Princess Resort in San Diego; attendees particularly liked the conference program, which was designed to resemble a passport cover.

Starting with the 1995 conference, Santa Barbara’s then-new Fess Parker Resort became a popular conference destination, hosting “Redefining Paradise: California’s Challenge,” September 30-October 3. As the largest available facility in Central Coast section, it’s been the site of conferences in 2003 and 2011 and will be hosting again in 2019.

For the Millennium, California hosted APA’s 60th anniversary in 2008 with “Lights, Planning, Action,” its first visit to Hollywood. Among its firsts: a giant illuminated APA logo that sprouted over Hollywood Boulevard. The closing plenary took conferees to the spectacularly restored El Capitan Theatre for a closing address that featured a popcorn cart and an organ salute on the house’s Mighty Wurlitzer. And an anniversary luncheon saluted the organization’s success.

APA’s 2017 Conference returned to Pasadena, this time at the Convention Center, for an event that featured an opening reception in the shadow of Pasadena’s Rococo City Hall building for a street fair. The conference generated record profits of nearly $350,000.

Over the past 15 years, California’s conferences have grown to feature a wide array of activities—including an annual diversity summit and events uniquely tailored to students and planning commissioners—never contemplated in the organization’s early years. The day prior to the start of the conference, “Pre-Conference Sessions” are offered to provide an opportunity for in-depth, hands-on learning in challenging subject areas.

Chapter conference attendance, of course moderated by economic conditions, continues to rise: subsequent conferences held in a Section routinely exceed the attendance of the conference held there previously. As the conferences in the mid-size Sections of the Chapter exceed 1200, often reaching 1500 or more attendees, the Chapter is challenged to continue to provide excellent educational opportunities to our members even as more options for education are available. We are also challenged to find cost-effective conference locations and strategies to maintain realistic registration costs. To that end, the Chapter is aiming to improve attendee experiences, as well as ways to showcase the excellent planning done in the host region, so the place you want to be is at the APA California Annual Chapter Conference.
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Originally settled in 1769, the first permanent occupation of San Diego was the Spanish Military and Franciscan Mission at the Presidio overlooking Mission Valley. This Presidio was also the first permanent Spanish occupation of Alta California. The Presidio and its military role continued to be a focus of the area until they built Fort Guijarros in 1797 on the Point Loma peninsula. By the early 1820's, Old Town was built just below the Presidio along the San Diego River. After Mexico gained its independence from Spain, San Diego gained Pueblo status in 1835.

San Diego’s military importance also played a key role during the US-Mexican War when an all-out attack by the American Pacific Squadron with troops marching south under John Fremont and others attacking from the east under Stephen Watts Kearny fought at the Battle of San Pasqual. The outnumbered Californios were forced to surrender on December 6, 1846 and San Diego and California eventually become part of the United States in 1850. The early American period from 1850 to 1897 saw limited military efforts during the Civil War with construction of a fort on San Diego Bay. With the arrival of Alonzo Horton in 1868, San Diego’s focus shifted from Old Town to a new development fronting San Diego Bay and referred to as New Town and the Army fort moved to Point Loma.

San Diego became a boom town through the 1880’s focusing on real estate speculation associated with the arrival of the transcontinental railroad. When the railroad connected to Los Angeles instead of San Diego the boom town failed and local leaders looked for another avenue of growth.

According to historian Iris Engstrand, San Diego felt repercussions of the Cuban Revolution of 1897. The city decided to revive plans to fortify the entrance to San Diego Harbor while the USS Monadnock guarded the harbor of San Diego. By 1898 Company D, Third U.S. Artillery had arrived to occupy the new fortifications on Ballast Point. Troops were moved from the San Diego Barracks to the new Army installation on Point Loma in 1903.

When the Panama-California Exposition opened in 1915, not only was completion of the canal celebrated, the Exposition became a popular stopping place for those in the military and those wanting to join the service. At the Exposition, Theodore Roosevelt, the former President, and Franklin Roosevelt the Secretary of the Navy, promoted San Diego as a prominent naval base. Marine Corps Colonel Joseph H. Pendleton also became an enthusiastic supporter of San Diego during the Exposition. San Diego’s role became even more important with the outbreak of World War I and the founding of a Naval Training Station and Naval Hospital in Balboa Park. Tent encampments were necessary until more permanent Naval facilities could be built.

The US Army established Camp Kearny on the mesa north of Mission Valley in 1917 and Buffalo Soldiers for E Troop of the 11th Calvary Regiment were stationed in Campo in 1918. The Buffalo Soldiers were an African American Calvary unit sent to protect the border with Mexico.

The Navy also secured permanent facilities on Point Loma and in Balboa Park as San Diego congressmen and city officials favored these moves. In 1922, San Diego was designated as headquarters for the Eleventh Naval District.

Franklin D. Roosevelt became president in 1932 and, due to his long time support for the military in San Diego, he promoted a new growing economy for the region. During this period the Navy spent $1.4 million, and the Army $1.8 million on construction projects. Major Rueben H. Fleet of Consolidated Aircraft Corporation of Buffalo, New York, made a far-reaching decision when he moved his plant with 800 employees and $9 million in orders to San Diego. After examining several locations, Fleet found San Diego to have everything he needed including a good airport, a publicly-owned waterfront, an excellent harbor, a city large enough to furnish labor and materials, and a proper climate for test flying aircraft. Consolidated Aircraft began operating in San Diego in October 1935 establishing the military based aerospace industry in the city.

The federal census prior to and during World War II shows that San Diego’s population doubled to over 300,000. Local aircraft plants attracted workers from other states while all military establishments were expanded and new facilities acquired.

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Bob Wilson, 1952 Congress
CityTalk: A Cross-Generational Planning Conversation

A PEN Cross-Generational Planning Exchange was held in downtown San José at Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Library on May 10, 2018. Co-sponsoring the event were the American Planning Association Northern Section and the San José State University Planning Alumni Association. Planners from different levels of the profession shared their experiences and perspectives about planning their career paths. The panel also reflected on different levels of the profession shared their experiences and perspectives about planning and provided insights to younger planners on their career paths. The panel also reflected on planning and change, considering options and being patient and flexible; it could lead to outcomes that may be better than initially envisioned. All expressed that despite the challenges and potential pitfalls, being a planner is truly a rewarding career.

Panelists shared their thoughts about changes in the planning profession. All agreed that planning has become more complex in many ways, including: more extensive rules and regulations; accessibility to more information with both good and unintended consequences; and the ubiquitous influence of the internet for public discourse. Planners today need to know more with greater specialization in the profession covering areas such as climate change, environmental justice, social equity issues; and the ubiquitous influence of the internet for public discourse. Constantly evolving technologies have transformed how we practice today with the growing application of GIS, social media and crowdsourcing tools. The simplicity and innocence of preparing a General Plan twenty years ago versus the lengthy, complex and CEQA-driven process today was highlighted.

In practicing planning in California, the panel stressed the importance of incorporating all populations and constituents in the public dialogue and decision-making process. Multiple strategies and techniques were discussed for engaging under-represented communities and overcoming the cultural and racial barriers in the community planning process. Suggestions included gaining the support and participation of community leaders, understanding as early as possible the specific concerns of constituents, and connecting with and involving faith-based organizations and special interest groups. An essential ingredient for success is building trust in the community through ongoing open and proactive communication. The panel also reflected on the profile of planners in the profession. The necessity of developing a cross-section of planners that reflect the diversity of California’s population was emphasized.

The audience engaged in an interactive conversation with questions to panelists about making career choices, preparing and transitioning to manager-level positions, improving inclusiveness in community outreach, and dealing with the impact of social media. The session concluded with the moderators and panelists responding to the question: “What advice do you wish someone told you early in your career that you eventually learned the hard way?” Keeping in perspective your core values and motivation for entering the profession was a common theme. Planners were advised to not take criticism personally when challenged. While public feedback will often be passionate and the process may be imperfect, healthy discourse is ultimately beneficial. It was noted that planning and change is typically incremental and one needs to be patient and look for the right opportunities. Finally, the importance of networking, developing a support system, and relying on fellow planners for professional expertise were encouraged for thriving in the profession.
How You Can Get Involved in Shaping APA California’s Legislative Positions

As bills are making their way through hearings and floor votes, APA California’s lobbying team lobbies legislators, staff and the Governor. Part of that effort includes sending letters to the authors and other members in support of or in opposition to their measures. We encourage you to participate in APA California’s Legislative Review Team, whose members advise APA California on legislative positions, potential amendments and key planning policies. Information on the Review Team and sign up information are located on the APA California website legislation page. As always, we would also appreciate letters to legislators and the Governor from APA California members or their employers that are consistent with those positions. To review the letters, and for an alert on APA’s positions on all of the major planning-related bills, please go to the legislative tab on APA’s website at www.apacalifornia.com.

All position letters will be posted on the APA California website “Legislation” page, which can be found here: https://www.apacalifornia.org/legislation/legislation-review-teams/position-letters/. Position letters will continue to be posted here as they are written and updated—APA encourages you to use these as templates for your own jurisdiction/company letters.

Hot Bills

As noted above, the final policy committee deadline has passed (July 6). A number of bills continue to move that focus again on major changes to state laws impacting housing, including bills dealing with ADUs, Density Bonus law, RHNA allocations, fees and building permits. As you’ll see below, APA California is now supporting twice as many housing bills than we are opposing. We also continue to be actively engaged with legislators on those measures we oppose to address concerns and offer alternative amendments whenever possible to meet the authors’ goals while insuring the bill’s requirements are reasonable and feasible—and clear enough to be implemented. Through this process, APA California has been successful in amending a number of important bills.

Below is a list of some of the high priority bills APA California is currently working on:

### Remaining Hot Bills Getting Closer to the Governor’s Desk

July 6 was the final policy committee deadline and the legislature is out for one month for its summer recess. 2018 has been another busy year for planning-related legislation, however APA California has been able to successfully amend many of the bills by finding alternatives to the most controversial language. The Legislature will return on August 6 for the final weeks of the 2018 session, which ends on August 31.

### The Governor Signs His Final Budget

On June 27 Governor Brown signed his final state budget. The 2018-2019 Budget will leave the state with $16 billion in reserves while still boosting state spending in many areas. Details of interest to planners include:

- **Saving for Uncertain Times**
  - The state’s Rainy Day Fund, established by a vote of the people in 2014, saves money when the economy is strong for uncertain times ahead. By the end of 2018-19, the current economic expansion will have matched the longest in post-war history. This budget will grow the balance in the fund to $13.8 billion.

- **Counteracting the Effects of Poverty and Combatting Homelessness**
  - The budget invests $5 billion to help address challenges with affordable housing and homelessness, including providing $500 million to assist local governments in their immediate efforts to help homeless Californians.

- **Strengthening Infrastructure**
  - The budget delivers the first full year of funding under Senate Bill 1—the state’s Road Repair and Accountability Act—with $4.6 billion in new transportation funding in 2018-19. The funding will repair neighborhood roads, state highways and bridges, fill potholes, ease congestion in busy trade and commute corridors and improve and modernize passenger rail and public transit.

- **Combating Climate Change**
  - The budget includes a $1.4 billion Cap and Trade Expenditure Plan to invest in programs that further reduce carbon pollution and support climate resiliency efforts, including $210 million for forest improvement and fire prevention projects that protect the state’s forests from wildfires and $334.5 million for the California Energy Commission and the California Air Resources Board to begin the implementation of a multi-year initiative to accelerate sales of zero-emission vehicles through vehicle rebates and infrastructure investments.
Shaping Our Future

Make your plans in San Diego! This year’s conference committee is again devoting Sunday to our appointed representatives and staff that support their efforts. Plan to arrive early to pick up your registration materials and then join us for a welcome continental breakfast. Open to Planning Commissioners and Public Board Members only, this informal roundtable discussion will include planning leaders from San Diego. After a short break, we begin the first of three sessions dedicated to appointed officials. The C&B Sunday focus has evolved for members and non-members who may not be able to join us for the full conference. I am again extending an invitation to public and private planners to also attend these sessions to gain insight from those of us behind the dais.

Commission and Board members can start the day at 10:00 with members of the host cities for a welcome and informal conversation on the opportunities and challenges of advancing the planning profession and decision making. Connecting with your planning network, meeting new friends, and food are your rewards for your dedication to planning!

The first session of the day starts at 11:00 with “So You Want to Be A Planning Commissioner?” Join a distinguished panel for a townhall style meeting immediately following the Planning Commissioner and Board Roundtable Breakfast. The conversation will focus on the opportunities for public and private planners to also serve the community in a decision-making capacity. Explore the motivations, expectations, and surprises from those who have served as an appointed official. The panel will then ask a series of questions to engage participants in the discussion. These will include the who, what, when, where, and how of preparing to serve as a public official. Existing and former officials will share their observations on the skills and characteristics that support high quality discussion and decision-making in the public setting. The panel will then ask a series of questions to explore the differences and nuances of running a public meeting in contrast to a business meeting. What are the legal requirements and constraints working in the State of California? What opportunities and challenges present themselves in dealing with the Brown Act, ethics ordinances, and economic conflict of interest? Bring your Robert’s Rules of Order, no speaker slips will be required!

Our third session of the day begins at 2:45 with a conversation on “Using the General Plan, the Planning Commissioner and Board Chairpersons as they share their strategy to ensuring a public meeting and project deliberations are thoughtful, respectful, and result in high quality decision-making. Hear the differences and nuances of running a public meeting in contrast to a business meeting. What are the legal requirements and constraints working in the State of California? What opportunities and challenges present themselves in dealing with the Brown Act, ethics ordinances, and economic conflict of interest? Bring your Robert’s Rules of Order, no speaker slips will be required!

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Hustle over to Liberty Station (formerly the Naval Training Center, which closed as part of the Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) process in 2005) for a quick lunch before returning at 1:00 for a discussion of “How to Run an Effective Public Meeting.” As Ms. Gump told Forrest, “life is like a box of chocolates. You never know what you’re gonna get.” The public arena and hearings are much like that box of chocolates with many surprises and a few disappointments. Join a panel of planning and board chairpersons as they share their strategy to ensuring a public meeting and project deliberations are thoughtful, respectful, and result in high quality decision-making. Hear the differences and nuances of running a public meeting in contrast to a business meeting. What are the legal requirements and constraints working in the State of California? What opportunities and challenges present themselves in dealing with the Brown Act, ethics ordinances, and economic conflict of interest? Bring your Robert’s Rules of Order, no speaker slips will be required!

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Policies and Findings to Improve Communities.”

What makes for a great project? Following the rules does not always deliver the best result; you may get an onion when you strive for an orchid. Planning as an implementation tool includes the use of discretion, which creates opportunities for a project to add value and increase the quality of life in neighborhoods and communities. Join the dialog with a panel of various perspectives on going beyond the development regulations of the zoning ordinance to using the vision of the General Plan to create high quality projects that are well integrated into the public realm and fabric of the community. Test the limits of planning and striking the balance between public and private interests. Bring your thoughts and ideas on extraordinary benefit to a community!

A universal thank you to the conference committee as well as commissioners and board members who give their knowledge, expertise, time and money in support of our planning profession. We live in a busy world with never enough time to do everything; I am grateful you make our planning conference a top priority.

See you in San Diego! SMH
loding. Position letters with more information on all of these bills are posted on the APA California website, as noted above.

**AB 686 (Santiago)**

Adds federal “affirmatively further fair housing” requirements to California law.  
*Position: Support if amended*

**AB 1771 (Bloom)**

Provides RHNA allocation reform.  
*Position: Support if amended*

**AB 1804 (Berman)**

Provides a CEQA infill exemption for counties.  
*Position: Support*

**AB 1905 (Grayson)**

Prohibits staying or enjoining transportation projects under CEQA that are included in an SCS.  
*Position: Oppose - died in committee*

**AB 2162 (Chiu)**

Provides a by-right process and expedited review for supportive housing.  
*Position: Support as amended*

**AB 2263 (Friedman)**

Limits parking requirements for historical reuse projects.  
*Position: Support as amended*

**AB 2341 (Mathis)**

Eliminates consideration of aesthetic effects of projects in CEQA.  
*Position: Support as amended*

**AB 2372 (Gloria)**

Authorizes a floor area ratio bonus in lieu of a density bonus.  
*Position: Support as amended*

**AB 2631 (Allen)**

Provides for a new by-right process for housing separate from SB 35.  
*Position: Oppose - died in committee*

**AB 2753 (Friedman)**

Requires new notification of density bonus status to applicant when application is deemed complete.  
*Position: Support as amended*

**AB 2797 (Bloom)**

Requires density bonus, waivers and concessions to be permitted in a manner that is consistent with that law and the California Coastal Act.  
*Position: Support as amended*

**AB 2856 (Melendez)**

Prohibits a court in a CEQA challenge related to housing project from staying the siting, construction or operation of the project.  
*Position: Oppose unless amended*

**AB 2890 (Ting)**

One of three bills this year that make another round of major ADU changes. The bills have some similar and many conflicting provisions.  
*Position: Oppose*

**AB 2913 (Wood)**

Extends the original life of a building permit from 6 months to one year for housing projects statewide.  
*Position: Oppose unless amended*

**AB 2923 (Chiu)**

Requires zoning around specified BART stations to be consistent with BART zoning plan, granting BART land use authority.  
*Position: Oppose unless amended*

**AB 3037 (Chiu)**

Reinstates the redevelopment process for housing and infrastructure projects.  
*Position: Support in concept*

**AB 3147 (Caballero)**

Freezes mitigation and other impact fees for 2 years for housing projects from date application is deemed “substantially complete.”  
*Position: Support if amended - died in committee*

**AB 3171 (Ting)**

Provides funding for local homelessness programs.  
*Position: Support - died in committee*

**AB 3194 (Daly)**

Provides that a proposed project is not inconsistent with applicable zoning standards and criteria, and shall not require a rezoning, if the proposed project is consistent with objective general plan standards and criteria but the local agency’s adopted zoning for the project site is inconsistent with the general plan.  
*Position: Neutral as amended*

**SB 827 (Wiener)**

Overrides local zoning authority near transit.  
*Position: Oppose - died in committee*

**SB 828 (Wiener)**

Requires RHNA allocation reform and states intent that cities and counties should take reasonable actions to ensure that future housing production meet at a minimum their RHNA allocation.  
*Position: Oppose unless amended*

**SB 831 (Wieckowski)**

One of three bills this year that make another round of major ADU changes. The bills have some similar and many conflicting provisions.  
*Position: Oppose - died in committee*

**SB 912 (Beall)**

Provides funding for homeless and affordable housing.  
*Position: Support as amended*

**SB 1035 (Jackson)**

Clarifies the update requirements for flood, fire and climate adaptation assessments in the safety element.  
*Position: Support as amended*

**SB 1260 (Jackson)**

Provides for fire prevention and planning through prescribed burns.  
*Position: Support as amended*

**SB 1469 (Skinner)**

One of three bills this year that make another round of major ADU changes. The bills have some similar and many conflicting provisions.  
*Position: Oppose unless amended*

**All Hot Bills**

To view the full list of hot planning bills, copies of the measures, up-to-the minute status and APA California letters and positions, please continue to visit the legislative page on APA California’s website at www.apacalifornia.org.

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**Like Us!**

If you haven’t noticed, we’ve re-launched our APA California Facebook page. It’s another way for you to stay in touch with your colleagues on planning topics and activities and be a part of the conversation.
We’d like to personally welcome each of you to the 2018 APA California Conference. It’s an exciting time for planning as we continue to grow and adapt, remaining always adaptable, motivated and responsive to the changing world. The world of planning, and especially in California is a challenging and exciting area. This year, our theme “Shaping Our Future: Planning Places for All” can mean many things. Our session tracks are thought-provoking, inspiring and educational: Planning for Inclusion – One Size Fits All? Interfaces: Where Things Collide, Solutions and Innovation, and Good Intentions, Unintended Consequences.

The San Diego conference is bringing to you the best and brightest planners and professionals from around the Chapter tackling such subjects as homelessness, affordable housing, agricultural economic development, disadvantaged communities, as well as public discourse and outreach, climate resiliency and other topics that are highly relevant today. We’ll continue to meet and bring inspired people together in forums like this, to ensure our APA California Conference remains at the cutting edge.

We’d like to give you an idea of what you can expect and what we hope to achieve for this year’s conference. Highlights include the Opening Reception on the USS Midway. Enjoy food, drink, dancing and exploration of the USS Midway aircraft carrier while enjoying views of the bay and skyline. We are excited to announce our Keynote Speaker Todd Gloria, who is on the cutting edge of affordable housing legislation, cross-border issues and homelessness. Our Closing Keynote Speaker, Dr. Mary Walshok, will share with our members her work addressing regional economic growth and workforce issues.

Additionally, lots of fun will be had at the CPF Auction and Reception, the State Planning Awards and Consultants Reception. We will be hosting a Networking Lunch to enjoy a casual hosted lunch at the outdoor pavilion, to come together, share ideas and get caught up.

Our traditional free full-day student day will feature numerous sessions such as an “Introduction to CEQA, Fast, Funny, Passionate: Student Edition,” a networking and student awards luncheon, which will include a resume clinic. Additional activities include a Career Poster Session, Liberty Station Walking Tour, and a Student and Emerging Planner Social exploring North Park.

Mobile workshops this year are active, exciting and binational! We are offering multiple active options to get out and see our region. Whether it is a bike tour around the Bay, a breweries and redevelopment tour, the Carlsbad desalination plant or our multi-modal trip to the border and Tijuana, you will have a great day seeing what San Diego is made up of.

New this year, we are making the most of the location and providing fun and active health breaks between sessions. This will include a Zumba session, “stretch and bend” sessions and other healthy activities to get energized and invigorated.

We are very much looking forward to hosting our friends and colleagues at the 2018 APA California Conference. Come early or stay late: San Diego is at its best this time of year.

See you soon!

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Enjoy San Diego in October!
Changes are Coming in the 2018 Printed Conference Program...

APA policy issue areas embrace many aspects of sustainability. We are also bringing our Chapter administrative practices into alignment. For many years, APA California conference attendees have been able to donate to offset their carbon impact to TerraPass whose mission is to provide the resources necessary for companies and individuals to understand and take responsibility for their climate impact. More than five years ago, APA California advised speakers to not provide paper handouts to session attendees and to instead direct them to the Chapter website where presentations would be posted, and we stopped accepting paper handouts to stuff in the conference bags or put onto lobby tables. Depending on the conference site, we have been successful in incorporating onsite sustainability measures into conference operations ranging from serving locally grown food to eliminating plastic water bottles.

This year, you will see a reduction in the volume of the printed conference program. Organizations comparable to ours have already gone paperless: APA National, Urban Land Institute, and Association of Environmental Professionals. This year we are reducing redundancies that have crept into the program document over time and have increased the size of the document. Next year, it is APA California’s intent to either again greatly reduce the volume of the program or to convert to paperless program access. We know we must commensurately enhance the program user’s experience on the Conference Mobile App and the conference website and make sure to continue and improve the relationship with our Conference Sponsors who help sustain our premier annual event.

Feel free to make comments or suggestions about this effort to go paperless to Betsy McCullough FAICP, 2018 Conference Host Committee, at betsy92106@gmail.com

Conference Special Events for Everyone!

Stay Active While You’re at the Conference

Active health breaks are planned during the conference, including 30-minute Zumba session led by local San Diego Planner, Dr. Jane Clough on Monday and Tuesday during the luncheon periods. Conference attendees can also “stretch and bend” between sessions: Stop by the outdoor grassy/paved area just outside the conference registration and ballroom during session breaks and gaze across beautiful San Diego Bay while stretching or doing yoga, Pilates, salsa, and other healthy activities to get energized and invigorated.

Get Away from the Conference Site and Enjoy Some Music

The decade old tradition of Plan it Rock performing during the conference will continue! On Monday evening October 8, Plan it Rock will perform at The Casbah, 2501 Kettner Blvd., in Little Italy after conference activities. Plan it Rock is a group of California planning and environmental professionals with amazing musical talents.

www.casbahmusic.com

If you Arrive on Friday or Saturday

The San Diego Dance Theater is celebrating its “Best of 20th Anniversary Trolley Dances” on Saturday and Sunday. The Trolley Dances are a unique opportunity to tour various parts of the San Diego urban area following dances inspired and choreographed around the specific spaces along the tour. It’s the audience that moves, beginning in one location and led to each site by volunteer guides jumping on and off the trolley. A fun way to explore San Diego and the transit system via the art of dance. Please visit http://www.sandiegodancetheater.org/trolleydances for more information on attending this fun event.

Other events happening in San Diego can be found by visiting https://www.sandiego.org/explore/events.aspx

Opening Reception: USS Midway

Join us on the historic USS Midway for the APA California Opening Reception! The longest-serving aircraft carrier in the 20th century, The Midway boasts 360 degree views of the San Diego Bay, Coronado, Downtown San Diego and Point Loma. Learn all about the Midway’s history, life on a carrier ship and historical battles with docent lead tours. Enjoy cocktails on the scenic flight deck, surrounded by fighters, bombers, and helicopters, then make your way down to the hangar deck for dinner and dancing in front of vintage WWII aircraft.

Exhibits on the Midway include:

- **Battle of Midway Exhibit**
  Before visiting the holographic theater, take time to interpret the interactive displays on the Battle of Midway, including a carefully restored F4F Wildcat fighter and SBD Dauntless dive bomber aircraft.

- **Enlisted Sailor's Bunks**
  See the tight quarters where the crew slept! Lay down in one of the bunks to see what it was like to sleep under the Midway’s busy Fight Deck.

- **Midway Airwing**
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This Year’s Conference Delivers with Outstanding Keynote Speakers

Assembly Member Todd Gloria

California State Assembly Member for the 78th Assembly District, Todd Gloria, proudly represents the central coast communities of the City of San Diego, as well as the cities of Coronado, Del Mar, Imperial Beach, and Solana Beach – a combined population of more than 450,000 residents. Previous to his election to the California State Assembly, Todd served as the San Diego City Councilmember for the Third Council District. He also served as the City of San Diego’s Interim Mayor and was appointed by his colleagues on the City Council to two consecutive terms as the City Council President.

As a city councilmember, Todd is credited with bringing thousands of affordable housing units to the City of San Diego and helping reallocate the City’s limited homeless services funds toward results-oriented programs. Further, Todd also paved the way for San Diego’s first permanent homeless services center and housing facility.

Through his tenure as Interim Mayor, Todd is widely credited with restoring the public’s trust in city government. He was able to strengthen the City of San Diego’s organizational structure and developed a groundbreaking, legally enforceable Climate Action Plan, which calls for annual reductions in greenhouse gas emissions throughout San Diego by 2035.

For more than half of his tenure on the San Diego City Council, Todd led the development of the City’s budget as the Budget and Government Efficiency Committee Chair. His thoughtful, collaborative, and fair approach resulted in the stabilization of City finances after years of cuts and the restoration of critical services such as library hours. As the City rebounded from the global recession, Todd championed increased infrastructure investment, resulting in hundreds of miles of smoother roads.

Dr. Mary Walshok, University of California, San Diego

Dr. Mary Walshok is an author, educator, researcher, and Associate Vice Chancellor for Public Programs and Dean of Extension at the University of California San Diego. She is a thought leader and subject matter expert on aligning workforce development with regional economic growth. She is the author of more than 100 articles and reports on regional innovation, the role of research institutions in regional economies and workforce development. She has authored and co-authored numerous book chapters and articles on the world of work, including: Blue Collar Women (1981), Knowledge Without Boundaries: What America’s Research Universities Can Do for the Economy, the Workplace, and the Community (1995), Closing America’s Job Gap (2011) and Invention and Reinvention: The Evolution of San Diego’s Entrepreneurial Economy (2013).

As an industrial social scientist studying the dynamics of regional economic development and transformation, Walshok has studied various communities across America. She has evaluated 13 WIRED regions funded by the U.S. Department of Labor, studied three innovative regions for a National Science Foundation-funded project, and assessed one region’s efforts to grow an industry for a Lilly Foundation-funded endeavor.

UCSD Extension’s research division, the Center for Research on the Regional Economy (CRRE), is a world-renowned research center that is making changes through data-driven research. The research team has in-house expertise from workforce trends, regional economic studies, program evaluations, and continuing education expertise.

Additionally, the CRRE is spearheading efforts to teach others in the community how to use data to make informed decisions. The Center has recently created the Community Research and Program Evaluation Certificate that focuses on teaching working professionals foundational skills for program evaluation, data collection, and community research.

University of California, San Diego Campus.
Hotel Information

You must be a registered conference attendee to reserve a hotel room within the APA California contracted room blocks. Limit of one hotel room per conference attendee.

Hotel Reservations
APA California has arranged discounted rates at the Sheraton San Diego Hotel & Marina located at: 1380 Harbor Island Drive, San Diego, CA 92101

Single/Double rates are $216 plus current state and local taxes of 12.695%. Rates are in effect three days before and after the official conference dates of October 7-10, 2018. Rates includes complimentary internet in sleeping rooms and public spaces and 20% discount on parking at the prevailing rates.

To Book a Reservation
Click the booking website below to book your reservation online.
A deposit equal to one night’s room and tax will be charged to your American Express, VISA, Diner’s Club, Master Card, Discover, or Carte Blanche along with the expiration date on your card.

Individual Call-in:
Attendees can call-in reservations directly with the hotel by calling: 1-877-734-2726. Be sure to identify yourself as an APA California conference attendee when booking your room to ensure you receive our discounted rate and APA-California receives credit for your stay.

Cutoff/Cancellation Policies
Cutoff date for the hotel is Friday, September 14, 2018. Book early to secure your reservation. Neither the Sheraton or the Chapter can guarantee you a room after that date. Guests may cancel a reservation up to 72 hours prior to arrival date without penalty. After that date, hotel will retain the first night’s deposit posted on your credit card.

Early Departure Fee
An early departure fee of $100.00 may apply to APA California guests should checkout occur prior to the confirmed checkout date. The confirmed checkout date shall be the that date confirmed by our attendees upon check-in at the hotel.

Booking Website
https://book.passkey.com/e/49629842

On Toward Sustainability
This year, the San Diego Conference Host Committee is excited to announce opportunities to reduce your environmental footprint while enjoying the conference and your stay in San Diego. The Sustainability Subcommittee is working with planners in the region to develop a guide to San Diego featuring information on active transportation options around San Diego, access points for public transportation/shuttles, and outdoor activities worth visiting within the region. The Sustainability Subcommittee will also be coordinating a carpool coordination page to help guests manage rideshares to save on parking/transportation expenses and further reduce your footprint. The conference will also offer hydration stations to refill reusable water bottles, online information to reduce the need for printed materials, and a locally sourced/organic menu at the various conference functions. In addition, the Sheraton offers several sustainable amenities, including water conserving fixtures in all guest and public spaces, energy-efficient lighting and appliances, eco-friendly cleaning products, and recycling stations throughout the venue. We look forward to providing additional information on ways you can be more engaged in building a sustainable conference.
Planning Commission and Board Members Agenda

Sunday, October 7

This year’s annual conference will offer select sessions on Sunday, October 7, of interest to Planning Commission and Board members. To honor our volunteer public officials, kick off the morning by networking with fellow officials at the Planning Commission and Board Breakfast Roundtable. Follow up by attending three successive sessions created to support the challenging role of decision-makers. These sessions will explore how to be an effective commissioner and board member, how to manage and conduct public hearings and deliberations, and how to shape public policy to improve your community.

Commissioners and board members may also attend any of the other 15 sessions offered that day covering a range of planning topics. The last session on Sunday will be the annual Diversity Summit, the topic this year is transportation justice in disadvantaged communities.

Cap off the day by enjoying a festive evening Opening Reception on the iconic USS Midway. This event is included with your Full or Sunday Only registration! I look forward to meeting you in San Diego!

Stephen Michael Haase, AICP Commission and Board Representative APA California

CHECK LIST:

✓ BREAKFAST ROUNDTABLE
✓ 3 CONSECUTIVE SESSIONS FOR DECISION MAKERS
✓ OTHER SESSIONS THAT COVER DIVERSE TOPICS
✓ DIVERSITY SUMMIT
✓ USS MIDWAY OPENING RECEPTION

Just a Word from the Programs Subcommittee

We hope to see you at the conference in October. Many thanks to those of you who submitted a session proposal. It was a challenge to balance selected sessions to reflect all geographic areas of California while taking the opportunity to highlight San Diego’s successes. We tried to include specific success stories as well as policy and legal expertise sessions. We selected “hot topics” that jurisdictions from around the state are dealing with. Our goal was to align selections with our theme of “Planning Places for All” in mind.

See you in San Diego!

Group Discount Now Available for 2018 Annual Conference

In response to inquiries from agencies and firms about registering multiple staff to attend the APA California conference, the Chapter Board has adopted the following policy:

One free registration is available for every 10 FULL conference registrations from a single public agency or private firm. One-day registrations are not included in the 10 qualifying registrations, and the free registration does not include the additional cost for mobile workshops, pre-conference sessions or event tickets. The minimum 10 registrations exclude student registrations and complimentary registrations included with sponsorship packages.

Each agency/company must register their first nine members online, NOT including registrations included in sponsorships. For the 10th person, complete a registration form noting Group Registration at the top of the form and fax it to 312-786-6700. The $25 manual registration fee will be waived for the 10th person.

https://www.apacalifornia-conference.org/docs/Registration_Form_FINAL_FILLABLE.pdf

By Mark Teague, AICP and Anna McPherson, AICP, Programs Subcommittee Co-Chairs

Programs Subcommittee in action. Source: Betsy McCullough

We’re sure you will find a track or session that will provide you knowledge to use at your job.
Pre-Conference Sessions
Experts in these fields will share their knowledge and discuss your issues

PRE-CONFERENCE SESSION 1 • Sunday, October 7 • 9:00 am - 2:00 pm • CM | 4.5
Real Estate Financial Pro Formas and Fiscal Impact
Additional $75 fee applies. Attendance is limited. Lunch included.

Planners regularly work with real estate and finance professionals at many levels of planning—from policy planning for a general plan or specific plan to the review and approval of specific development proposals. An essential part of the planning process includes the evaluation of economic issues such as development feasibility, fiscal impact, and economic development potential. Having a firm grasp of real estate finance is critical to successfully determine how a development proposal affects the long-term revenue stream and economic well-being of a community. This session will provide valuable hands-on experience in the understanding of real estate development economics, including:

In this all day session, you will learn about:
- Market demand
- Financial feasibility
- Fiscal impact
- Economic impact

PRE-CONFERENCE SESSION 2 • Sunday, October 7 • 9:00 am - 3:00 pm • CM | 5.5
Design and Placemaking Tools and Tips for Infill Development
Additional $90 fee applies. Attendance is limited. Session includes a walking tour (approximately 3 miles) and lunch.

This workshop will expose participants to current, best practices in design and placemaking for infill development, using San Diego as a backdrop. The session will cover the following learning objectives:
- Site Analysis Basics – Getting the most out of a site;
- Regulatory Hurdles – How to make the code work for your project;
- Project Programming – Getting the right mix of uses to maximize neighborhood activation;
- Design Opportunities – How to make it cool through design.

Each of these topics will be covered with an engaging and productive format that begins with an introductory talk on Design and Placemaking for Infill Development, using San Diego as a case study. The group will reconvene and break out into subgroups to look at a test site as a study example, using the tools and case studies presented to develop an infill site proposal. The session will end with a presentation back to the larger group and a roundtable discussion.

PRE-CONFERENCE SESSION 3 • Sunday, October 7 • 9:00 am - 3:30 pm • CM | 6.0
Geodesign Tools & Technology for Planners: Incorporating Next Technology into the Comprehensive Planning Workflow
Additional $90 fee applies. Attendance is limited to 12 participants. Lunch included.

Today more than ever urban planners must focus on creating healthier and more sustainable environments, neighborhoods, work places, and schools. As planners we are constantly striving to develop tools to allow us to measure and evaluate the built environment and to tell the story. Geodesign enables us to approach our work in new and exciting ways. This hands-on session will highlight emerging Geodesign technologies available to planners and urban designers, and how they can be incorporated into planning and urban design workflows to help inform the decision-making process and build consensus.

Training will cover:
- An overview of Geodesign-based software and tools currently being used by planning professionals to create dynamic interactive tools and visualizations;
- The configuration and development of online tools to present your findings and gain consensus;
- Land use scenario assessment using GeoPlanner for ArcGIS;
- Online presentations using Storymaps to present scenario assessment findings; and
- Online surveys using Survey123 for ArcGIS to enable public comment and feedback.

Note: Participants must bring their own Wi-Fi capable laptop running either Microsoft Edge, Google Chrome, or the latest version of the Safari web browser.

PRE-CONFERENCE SESSION 4 • Sunday, October 7 • 9:00 am - 4:00 pm • CM | 6.5
Leadership Workshop 2018
Additional $90 fee applies. Lunch included.

Take your management skills to a new level through intensive and interactive training. Learn from colleagues who have been successful leading their teams in difficult circumstances. They will guide you through a day of inquiry, dialogue, relaxed discussion, practice and storytelling. You will leave this session informed, reenergized and ready to embrace and manage change.

In this all day session, you will learn about:
- Strategies to better manage people, team, politics and yourself;
- Active listening skills;
- The importance of having a strong vision/identity to make external connections and maintain external relationships;
- How to make people feel connected either in a one-on-one setting or as a team;
- Ways to manage conflict; and
- Understanding the drivers behind decision making and managing relationships.

Participants will receive a pre-conference survey to assess their interests and needs.
INFORMATIVE MOBILE WORKSHOPS

**MW S1 - An Experiment in Affordable Housing: The Story of Irving J. Gill and the Barona Band of Mission Indians**

*CM | 3.0  Additional $50 fee applies.*

“Stones in the Meadow: Irving Gill’s Church and Cottages on the Barona Indian Reservation.” An architect known for his sustainable designs, Irving Gill, dedicated the last part of his life to an experiment in affordable housing for Native Americans on the Barona Indian Reservation.

**MW S2 - Craft Breweries and Economic Happy Hour**

*CM | 3.0  Additional $60 fee applies.*

The workshop will tour craft brewery locations in both the industrial zone and the historic downtown Vista area. Topics include how to attract craft breweries, how the industry can benefit both industrial and commercial areas, and the economic growth that has followed the brewery industry locally.

**MW S3 - Mission Bay Bike Tour**

*CM | 3.0  Additional $55 fee applies.*

This mobile workshop includes a bicycle tour that would educate members of the past, present, and future planning efforts of Mission Bay Park, the largest aquatic park of its kind in the country.

**MW M1 - Revitalization of San Diego’s First Ring Suburbs - North Park, South Park, Normal Heights, Kensington, and Mid-City**

*CM | 3.0  Additional $50 fee applies.*

Explore and learn about the revitalization of some of San Diego’s most popular first ring suburbs. These neighborhoods are some of the most walkable, bike friendly, mixed-use communities in the area. They represent success stories of what public infrastructure, grass roots efforts, and long-range planning can accomplish.

**MW M2 - The Demand, Design, and Development of Housing in an Urban Core: Downtown San Diego Housing and Development Tour**

*CM | 3.0  Additional $35 fee applies.*

Join this tour of Downtown San Diego developments, with an emphasis on housing and the issues that surround it. This workshop will include stops at a variety of housing developments and the public spaces near them. Participants will hear about the urban design guidelines that help shape Downtown, the ordinances that encourage more housing, and the strategies that have led to Downtown San Diego’s evolution in the past two decades. The workshop will touch on a range of issues that affect housing and development in a dense urban setting, including redevelopment, urban design, open space, historic preservation, homelessness, and affordability.

**MW M3 - You are Exactly Where you Need to be: Guided Walking Tour of Liberty Station - The Redevelopment of the Former Naval Training Center**

*CM | 3.0  Additional $35 fee applies.*

This workshop discusses how the former San Diego Naval Training Center was transformed from a vision into a vibrant community that provides housing and transportation choices, a mix of jobs and housing, an arts and culture center, and makes the most of existing assets.

**MW M4 - South Bay Rapid Transit Project Tour**

*CM | 3.0  Additional $50 fee applies.*

After several years of planning and collaboration with South County communities, construction is underway on the South Bay Rapid Project which will connect to employment and activity centers in Downtown San Diego and South County. This tour will explore this exciting new transit service in San Diego and Chula Vista.

**MW T1 - Reshaping Our Places and Bodies - A Bike Tour of San Diego Public Spaces**

*CM | 3.0  Additional $45 fee applies.*

Join this guided bicycle tour of San Diego and learn about the public spaces that shape the city. This workshop focuses on strategies used to create unique parks and places reflecting local culture. Chicano Park, Quartyard, and the downtown waterfront and others. Bicycle and helmet provided.

**MW T2 - Seawater Desalination and Recycled Water - the Future of Potable Water in San Diego**

*CM | 3.0  Additional $60 fee applies.*

Participants will get the chance to tour two facilities. The Pure Water Pilot Facility and the Carlsbad Desalination Plant, both are on the cutting edge of solving the issue of a sustainable water supply in San Diego County.

**MW T3 - Players in the Open Space Game Intermediate Mountain Bike Ride**

*CM | 2.0  Additional $75 fee applies.*

Come outside with local planners and hear about challenges in the interface between open and recreational space, environmental resources, utilities, and construction mitigation. Borrow a mountain bike and take a break from the indoors with a fun and challenging locally-loved trail in the heart of San Diego.

**MW T4 - Kayaking Eco Tour in San Diego Bay National Wildlife Refuge**

*CM | 3.0  Additional $65 fee applies.*

A kayaking tour in the San Diego Bay National Wildlife Refuge. Members can expect to see a variety of local wildlife. Topics include the importance of tidal marshes as ecosystems, and local groups and policies that have shaped South San Diego Bay.

**MW T5 - Exploring UC San Diego: From Here to There and Everywhere**

*CM | 4.0  Additional $50 fee applies.*

Participants will visit UC San Diego to explore strategies for developing and implementing a comprehensive transit network that supports long-term sustainable planning and growth. Staff from the planning, transportation and sustainability departments will lead participants through campus.

**MW W1 - Tijuana! Walking Tour: Explore Tijuana’s Housing, Transportation, and Culture from a Planner’s Perspective**

*CM | 5.0  Passport required, additional $75 fee applies.*

This session is a walking and transit tour of Tijuana’s vibrant housing, transportation, culture and arts scene. Stops include the recently completed bus rapid transit system, mixed use housing projects, arts and culture “pasajes,” cultural center, and city hall. Speakers include local and regional planners, architects and cultural ambassadors.
### Conference-at-a-Glance

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**Sunday, October 7**

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1:00 pm - 2:30 pm
How to Run an Effective Public Meeting (Planning Commission and Board Session)  
CM | 1.5

2:30 pm - 4:15 pm
Student Walking Tour to Liberty Station  
Pre-registered students only

**Session Block 2**

2:45 pm - 4:15 pm
The Great Debate: Can Housing in California be Affordable and Environmentally Conscious?  
CM | 1.5 | LAW

Notes from the Field: Non-Traditional Engagement from Public Agency, Community Organization, and Consultant Perspectives  
CM | 1.5

Coming Together Around Livable Communities: Regional Programs that Support Local Sustainability Efforts  
CM | 1.5

Staying the Course: Planning for TOD in Communities with Unfavorable Market Conditions  
CM | 1.5

The Crossroads of Planning and Violence Prevention: Exploring the Intersection of Zoning and Community Violence  
CM | 1.5

Turning the Tables: Lessons in Advocacy Planning from Environmental Justice Communities in San Diego  
CM | 1.5

Lobbying 101 for Planners  
CM | 1.5

Using the General Plan, Policies and Findings to Improve Communities (Planning Commission and Board Session)  
CM | 1.5

2:45 pm - 4:15 pm
Planning to Lead: Leadership Opportunities with APA  
CM | 1.5

4:00 pm
Exhibitor Setup  
Harbor Island Ballroom

4:30 pm - 6:00 pm
DIVERSITY SUMMIT - Moving Toward Transportation Justice - What Can Planners do to Meet the Needs of Disadvantaged Communities?  
CM | 1.5 | ETHICS

6:30 pm - 10:00 pm
OPENING RECEPTION - USS Midway

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**CONFERENCE-AT-A-GLANCE**

**Monday, October 8**

7:00 am - 9:00 am
Continental Breakfast  
Harbor Island Ballroom

7:00 am - 6:30 pm
Conference Registration  
Grande Ballroom Foyer

7:00 am - 8:00 pm
Exhibits Open  
Harbor Island Ballroom

8:00 am - 9:30 am
OPENING KEYNOTE - Assembly Member Todd Gloria, 78th State Assembly District  
CM | 1.5  
Grande Ballroom A, B, C

9:45 am - 11:15 am
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**Session Block 3**

9:45 am - 11:15 am
APA California 2018 Legislative Update  
CM | 1.5 | LAW

Completing the Urban Water Cycle in San Diego through Pure Water  
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And Justice for All: Environmental Justice and its Role in Planning Projects, Programs and Process  
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### California Planning Roundtable Meeting
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1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

### Mobile Workshop M4: South Bay Rapid Transit Project Tour, additional $50 fee applies
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| Consultant’s Reception |
### Conference-at-a-Glance

#### Wednesday, October 10

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The Conference-at-a-Glance is subject to change. The most current information can be found on the website at www.apacalifornia-conference.org, on the mobile app prior to the conference, and in the registration area when the conference begins.
FREE Student Day - SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7
Registration required

8:30 am - 9:45 am ...Introduction to CEQA
8:30 am - 9:45 am ...A Planning Perspective: Choosing the Right (Career) Path
10:00 am - 11:15 am ...Fast, Funny, Passionate: Student Edition
10:00 am - 11:15 am ...Career Poster Session
11:30 am - 1:00 pm ...Richard Weaver Student Award Luncheon and Networking
1:00 pm - 2:30 pm ...AICP Candidate Training Session
2:30 pm - 4:15 pm ...Liberty Station Walking Tour

Career Poster Session
So you’ve decided you want to be a planner but aren’t sure what a planning job can actually look like. Come join us and hear from various firms about projects planners work on, what career development opportunities exist, and most importantly if any positions are available. Be ready to network!

Liberty Station Walking Tour
Join fellow students on a guided tour to nearby Liberty Station, a mixed-use development on the site of the former Naval Training Center San Diego. Students will have the opportunity to learn and discuss how this military facility has been transformed into a unique planned community with a vibrant mix of commercial, nonprofit, residential, hotel and office districts.

Pre-registered Students Only (limit 35 people)

MONDAY, OCTOBER 8

Student and Emerging Planner Social in North Park - 7:30 pm
Meet at the CPF Auction
Explore San Diego’s growing craft brewery scene and join fellow emerging professionals at one of San Diego’s top neighborhoods for nightlife. Be prepared to have fun and network! (limited to 21 years old and up)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 9

Networking Luncheon - Résumé Clinic - 12:00 pm
If you’re looking for a job or internship, be sure to sign up for a time slot in the Conference Registration area to meet with professionals to seek advice, including résumé review and interview skills! Remember to bring your printed résumé for review!

Student Housing Match Program
Are you a student looking for a place to stay during the conference?
Are you a student looking to host a colleague during the conference?
We will be matching local hosts with students who need a place to stay during the conference.
Please contact the Student Programs Committee at APACA2018@gmail.com to show your interest!

Volunteer Opportunities
Are you looking to volunteer at the conference in exchange for a reduced registration rate?
Then send us an email at sharon@ktua.com for more information!
*Reduced rate only applies to enrolled students.
California Planning Foundation Seeking Donations: Contributions Fund Scholarships for Future Planners

WE NEED YOUR HELP to ensure that young people drawn to planning are able to fund their education. We need individual donors and sponsors!

Secure credit card and PayPal donations can also be made online at: https://californiaplanningfoundation.org/donations/

All donations will be acknowledged at the CPF Auction (October 8, 2018 at the APA California Planning Conference in San Diego, California), and will receive special acknowledgement on the CPF website (https://californiaplanningfoundation.org/). All Sustaining Level Sponsors receive scholarship naming privileges for their donation. CPF donations are tax deductible and a copy of CPF’s W-9 Tax Identification Certification will be sent to you with a donation letter/receipt for your tax and accounting purposes.

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Virginia Viado and Ted Holzem 2018 Scholarship Auction

CPF 2018 SCHOLARSHIP AUCTION DONATIONS

Item Name:
Estimated Value: $ __________________
Please provide complete item description below:

How will you deliver this donation?
☐ I will bring item to San Diego
☐ Please contact me for pickup/drop-off options
☐ This item can be shared electronically

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☐ Frank Wein APA California Planning Foundation Endowment Fund
☐ CPF Diversity Scholarship Endowment Fund—NEW!

How would you like to be recognized (Name and/or Company Name): _____________________________

Contact Email: _____________________________
Contact Phone Number: _____________________________

BECOME A CPF SPONSOR

The California Planning Foundation (CPF) is a nonprofit, charitable corporation established to further the professional practice of planning in California. CPF achieves this goal by giving annual scholarships and awards to university students in financial need, who have demonstrated academic excellence at planning programs throughout California. Another vital important CPF activity is the sponsorship of workshops, publications and other continuing educational and professional development programs. All members of APA California are automatically members of the CPF. Although APA California members pay annual dues to belong to APA California and the national American Planning Association, there are no separate dues to belong to CPF.

Yes! I’d like to donate or become a Sponsor of the California Planning Foundation: (check appropriate box)

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☐ Student Advocate: $100 – $199
☐ Scholarship Supporter: Less than $100 (all donations amounts are greatly appreciated)

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Please return form with a check made out to “CPF” to: Laurie Garrison, CPF Treasurer, 401 B Street, Suite 800, San Diego, CA 92101
Or pay online at www.californiaplanningfoundation.org/donations.html

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New this year, CPF has kicked-off an endowment fundraising effort to create a CPF Diversity Scholarship (to add to the one existing CPF Diversity Scholarship), to more greatly assist our next generation planners and leaders reach their potential through higher education, and so they may continue to thrive and, while working in the profession, be a voice for their communities. In keeping with APA National’s newly-adopted Diversity and Inclusion Vision, Mission, and Strategy, some of the dimensions for qualification for this new CPF scholarship are expected to include:

☐ Race/Ethnicity
☐ Gender
☐ Sexual Orientation
☐ Age
☐ Status in family for attending college (e.g., 1st generation student attending college)
☐ And like all CPF Scholarships, financial need and academic excellence

Last year, CPF awarded 33 scholarships totaling more than $58,000 to planning students throughout California. Last year’s list of CPF scholarship recipients is online at https://californiaplanningfoundation.org/scholarships/.

Our primary fundraising activity is the annual CPF Live and Silent Auctions held at the APA California Conference, which will be held on Monday, October 8 in San Diego; and once again, the auctions will be held in honor of planners and former CPF board members Virginia Viado and Ted Holzem. In lieu of cash, here are suggested donations items needed for the CPF Auctions:

☐ Weekend stays at your cabin, beach house, or local resort
☐ Day of consulting services
☐ Tickets to sporting events, movies, or live performance theaters
☐ New high tech electronics
☐ Artwork, antiques, and family heirlooms designated to pass on
☐ New Household decorating accessories
☐ Deluxe item(s) gift baskets
☐ Restaurant, coffee shop, candy store gift certificates
☐ Rare/out-of-print or “hot-off-the-press” Planning books
☐ Individual bottles or a case(s) of wine

Every APA member is also a member of CPF, so please help! To donate items for the CPF Auctions, please fill out the attached donation form and email it to Alison Spindler at calplanningauction@gmail.com or call her at (617) 283-0586 if you have questions.

Juan Borrelli, AICP | CPF President

CPF Needs Auction Items for Student Scholarship Fundraiser

AFFILIATE NEWS
Seeking New Sponsorship Strategies

Now that the new editorial format for the CalPlanner has been established, we are seeking suggestions from APA California's partners and sponsors on ways to better reach the Chapter membership. This means rethinking the traditional calling card ads for example, as well as all ad placement and associated links. So we need to hear from you on innovative ideas that would complement the new design and format while offering a more effective way to generate awareness for your business or service. We hope you will continue to support the CalPlanner and encourage your comments and ideas by contacting Marc at myplanning@live.com.
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Registration is Now Open!
2018 APA California Conference in San Diego
October 7 - 10, 2018

There are so many reasons to come to this year’s Conference in San Diego

Opening Reception Aboard the USS Midway:
meet up with friends you haven’t seen since the 2017 conference on the USS Midway to celebrate opening night festivities: enjoy food, drink, dancing and exploration of the classic World War II aircraft carrier anchored in San Diego Bay.

Distinguished Keynote Speakers:
Opening Keynote speaker is Assembly Member Todd Gloria who is continuing his quest for development of affordable housing at the State Legislature. Closing Keynote speaker is Dr. Mary Walshok who is a thought leader and subject matter expert on aligning workforce development with regional economic growth.

A Networking Lunch:
A hearty lunch will be available for all registered attendees in the outdoor Pavilion: a pleasant venue outside the meeting rooms where you can eat with friends or meet new people. Gather planners interested in discussing a topic, talk to students, or just take a break from the many fabulous educational sessions.

Mobile Workshops Where You Can Get Some Exercise as Well as Some Learning:
we have walking tours where you will learn about housing or base reuse. We have a kayaking Eco Tour in the San Diego Bay National Wildlife Refuge, a Downtown San Diego bike tour, AND two park-related bike tours: one to ride and see challenges and successes in open space and species conservation areas, and one around beautiful Mission Bay to hear about environmental issues and development opportunities and constraints.

Professional Development Opportunities:
whether you want to learn about the AICP Candidate Program, get tips on preparing for the AICP Exam, or want to learn more about applying for FAICP, there’s a session for you!

Remember to make your hotel reservation!
All rooms have San Diego Bay views and we expect the reserved block at the Sheraton Marina to sell out.

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