

PLANNER EMERITUS NETWORK BOARD BIOGRAPHIES

Linda Tatum, FAICP – Vice President-South



Linda is Assistant City Manager for the City of Long Beach. She was selected for this position after serving two years as Development Services Director and three years as Planning Manager for the city. Her duties as Director included oversight of physical planning and development in the city through the Planning, Building Safety, Code Enforcement, Housing and Neighborhood Services sections, as well as the Long Beach Community Investment Corporation, which leverages funding for affordable housing development in the community.

Linda has a Master in Urban and Regional Planning from Florida State University and more than 30 years of private and public sector planning experience. Prior to Long Beach, she served as the Acting Director of Economic and Community Development and Planning Manager for the City of Inglewood, where she managed redevelopment of the Forum by Madison Square Garden, LLC, and the Hollywood Park Tomorrow project, a 300-acre mixed use project that includes 3,000 residential units, 30 acres of parks, 600,000 sq. ft. of retail and the new state of the art 80,000-seat Sofi football stadium and arena.

Linda's experience includes teaching planning classes at California State Fullerton in the University Extended Education program, seven years as a consultant, and over 20 years in local government in the cities of Inglewood, Culver City and Santa Ana. Linda is active in her professional organization, where she served on the APA California Board for more than 10 years, as President of the California Planning Foundation, and now serves on the Planning Accreditation Board Site Visit Team, and as a member of the Planning Accreditation Board Accreditation Standards Task Force, the California Planning Roundtable, Planners Emeritus Network, and recently completed service on the national APA Foundation Board of Directors. She was a 2015 Rose Fellow for Public Leadership in Land Use sponsored by Urban Land Institute and the National League of Cities and was inducted into the AICP 2018 Class of Fellows.