

CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY



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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2025-540

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Member Carrico

Date of Introduction: July 22, 2025

Committee(s) of Reference: R, LUZ

Date of Analysis: July 21, 2025

Type of Action: Ordinance Code Amendment

Bill Summary: This bill amends Section 30.201 (Establishment; Membership), Part 2 (Planning Commission), Chapter 30 (Planning and Development Department), Ordinance Code, to require that three members of the Planning Commission, to the extent available, be persons who are educated in or practice in the disciplines of planning, design, development, or related fields.

Background Information: The purpose of this legislation is to ensure that the Planning Commission includes members with relevant professional or educational backgrounds in fields closely related to planning, design, or development. The bill maintains the existing membership structure of nine members and three alternates appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the Council, with district-based residency requirements and additional qualifications for alternates. It also allows for removal by the Mayor with Council approval and provides travel reimbursement under Chapter 106. Codification instructions and an effective date are included.

Policy Impact Area: Commission Member requirements

Fiscal Impact: No fiscal impact

Analyst: Jimenez