

## PLANNING COMMISSION

### § 32.50 GENERAL.

There is created a commission known as the Planning Commission. On the appointment and subsequent approval of members, election of officers, and adoption of its bylaws, its existence shall begin subject to the provisions of KRS Chapter 100. The Commission may engage in planning operations within its jurisdiction which shall be coterminous with its political boundary, except where otherwise provided for by KRS Chapter 100.

(Ord. 457, passed 11-10-66)

### § 32.51 MEMBERSHIP.

(A) The Planning Commission shall consist of nine members with at least two-thirds of the members being citizen members. Citizen members may be any citizen who is not an elected official, appointed official, or public employee of the city or county. Noncitizen members may be any elected official, appointed official, or public employee of the city or county. The Mayor shall appoint the members of the Commission with the approval of the legislative body. All noncitizen members of the Commission shall serve without compensation. All members of the Planning Commission shall be compensated fifty dollars (\$50.00) per meeting attended. Reimbursement for expenses lawfully incurred by either noncitizen or citizen members in the performance of their duties may be authorized by formal action of the Commission. The term of office of all elected public officials shall be the same as their official tenure in office. The term of office for other members shall be four years, but the term of office members first appointed shall be staggered so that a proportionate number serve one, two, three, and four years respectively, and later appointments or reappointments shall continue the staggered pattern. All vacancies, whether by resignation, dismissal or expiration of the term of office, shall be filled within 60 days by the appropriate appointment authority or as otherwise provided for in KRS Chapter 100.

(B) The oath of office shall be administered to all members of the Commission before entering on their duties. The oath shall be administered as provided by law. Any member may be removed by the appropriate appointment authority for inefficiency, neglect of duty, malfeasance, or conflict of interest. The removed member shall have the right of appeal in the manner prescribed by KRS Chapter 100.

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### § 32.52 OFFICERS AND STAFF.

The Commission shall elect a Chairman and any other officers which it deems necessary from among its citizen members. The term of office shall be one year, with eligibility for reelection. The Commission may employ a staff as it may deem necessary for its work, and may contract with professional planners and other parties for such services as it may require.

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### § 32.53 MEETINGS.

The Commission shall conduct each year at least six regular meetings for the transaction of its business. The bylaws adopted by the Commission shall be given, date, time, place, and the subjects to be discussed, as well as the method of call and conducting special meetings. A simple majority of the total membership shall constitute a quorum. After a quorum has been established, a simple majority of that quorum can transact any official business except in those instances where there is to be an adoption or amendment of the Commission's bylaws, or elements of the Comprehensive Plan or regulations, then a vote of the simple majority of the total membership shall be necessary.

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#### **§ 32.54 BYLAWS.**

The Commission shall adopt and approve its bylaws before it may properly transact any business. The bylaws shall set forth the procedures, rules, and regulations necessary for the Commission to conduct its business. The bylaws shall describe the method of administration of funds and provide for an annual audit thereof.

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#### **§ 32.55 POWERS AND DUTIES.**

The Commission shall have general powers, duties, and responsibilities necessary to carry out its functions in accordance with this ordinance and KRS Chapter 100. The Commission may be assigned any powers, duties, and functions related to urban renewal or public housing by the legislative body of the city.

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#### ***Cross reference:***

*Planning Commission procedure and authority, see § [156.084](#)*