



FAICP Mentor Information

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Location: Detroit

Current employment and position, or other:

- City Planner/Zoning Specialist, Detroit City Planning Commission (legislative branch)

Previous relevant employment or experience:

- Detroit City Planning Commission, Deputy Director
- Corktown Citizens' District Council, Detroit
- Jefferson-Chalmers Citizens' District Council, Detroit
- Henry Ford Community College, Wayne County Community College, Macomb Community College—adjunct faculty, Anthropology

What do you consider your areas or expertise or interest in planning:

- Zoning
- Project management
- Interdepartmental/multi-party working groups
- Zoning 101 for non-planners
- Adaptive re-uses

Provide a narrative on your interest in mentoring (optional):

Navigating the bureaucracy—especially in big cities—can be crucial in avoiding missteps and in effectively researching issues. Some projects, such as comprehensively updating a code, can take years; knowing how to pace the work and maintain the interest and involvement of participating parties is challenging. If my time and experience in these areas can help, please feel free to reach out.

What qualities do you seek in a mentee?

Initiative and dedication to address the matter(s) you bring forward for discussion.

Are you able to meet on Zoom? Yes.

How far would you be willing to travel to meet in person? Southeast Michigan (Wayne, Oakland, Macomb counties).

Indicate times during a typical week that work best for you to meet.

- Wednesdays and Fridays; late morning, early afternoons.