

James B. Duncan, FAICP

President



Mr. Duncan, a past president of the American Planning Association, is one of the nation's leading urban planning and growth management practitioners. His career as a city planner has spanned over four decades of service to more than 200 cities, counties, regions and states throughout the nation. During his career, he has also held several key public sector positions, including director of land development services for the City of Austin, Texas; director of growth management for the City of Hollywood, Florida; director of development management for Broward County, Florida; and chief of local planning services for Dade County, Florida.

Throughout his career, Mr. Duncan has focused his primary interests and energies on the development of innovative growth management techniques, the streamlining of land development regulations and the advancement of infrastructure financing methodologies. He has prepared a series of award-winning comprehensive plans and development codes that were honored by the Florida, Texas and Louisiana Chapters of the American Planning Association. Mr. Duncan served as a growth management advisor to two Florida Governors, co-wrote the nation's first state impact fee enabling act (Texas), prepared one of the first comprehensive plans to embody the dual concepts of consistency and concurrency, and introduced many user-friendly, easy-find techniques to simplify regulations.

For APA, Mr. Duncan has also served as vice-chair of its Chapter Presidents Council, as president of its Florida chapter, as professional development liaison of its Texas chapter; and as a member of its national governance committee. Mr. Duncan is the co-author of the best-selling APA publication, GROWTH MANAGEMENT PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICES, and a frequent conference speaker on growth management, land-use regulations, infrastructure financing and impact fees. While in south Florida, he also served as an adjunct professor of city planning at Florida Atlantic University; and as vice chair of the planning and zoning board and chair of the code enforcement board for the City of Davie.

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