OVERVIEW

- Primary Responsibilities
- Vision and Values
- Accomplishments

Planning and Development Division
- Metropolitan Planning Organization Funds
- Administrative Actions and Funds Collected
- Board or Commission Actions and Funds

Licensing and Permitting Division
- Funds Collected
- Number of Licenses and Permits

Building Inspection and Code Enforcement
- Number of Actions
POPULATION GROWTH BY DECADE

Richmond County Population 1960-2010
US Decennial Census

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POPULATION GROWTH SINCE 2010

Richmond County Population 2010-2014
US Census Annual Population Estimates

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US Census 2014, 2015 will be released March 2016
## Population Density

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US Census Bureau, Population dot density by Census Block, 2010
Richmond County Population Projections to 2030
Georgia Office of Planning and Budget (OPB)

Year  | Total Population (Thousands)  | Growth Rate
----- | ----------------------------- | ------------
2010  | 200,549                      | +1.53%
2015  | 203,625                      | +1.75%
2020  | 207,182                      | +1.10%
2025  | 209,457                      | +0.45%
2030  | 210,404                      | +0.45%
Planning and Development Department

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITIES

1 Planning / ARTS MPO

Comprehensive Planning – Development, maintenance, and implementation of the Comprehensive Plan.

Zoning – The Department administers the local Zoning Ordinance to ensure that land uses are compatible with each other and as a tool in implementing the Comprehensive Plan.

Environmental Regulations – The Department administers various regulatory programs such as the Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance, the Soil Erosion Ordinance, Tree Ordinance, Service Delivery Strategy, Historic Preservation Ordinance, Air Quality as related to transportation conformity, and Title V of the Georgia Planning Act of 1989.

Development Administration – The Department is the clearinghouse for review and approval of all land development projects.

ARTS MPO (Augusta Regional Transportation Study Metropolitan Planning Organization) – The Department is the Metropolitan Planning Organization, the designated recipient of all federal transportation funding for the Augusta Metropolitan Area. The Department maintains a comprehensive transportation planning program for the entire metropolitan area. Develop and maintain the Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) and Transportation Improvement Program (TIP); conduct grant review of transportation projects and public outreach.

2 Licensing and Permitting

Building Permits and Compliance – The Department is responsible for commercial, residential, and rough and final building plan reviews and permits.

Business Licenses – The Department issues all types of business licenses and collects occupation taxes.

Alcohol Licenses – The Department issues permits for alcohol consumption on premises, retail packaging, and one day events.

3 Building Inspections and Plan Review

Building Inspections and Plan Review – The Department is responsible for commercial, residential, and rough and final building plan reviews and permits.

- Plan Review
- Site Review
- Rough and Final Inspection
- Signs

4 Unified Code Enforcement Inspection Team

Code Enforcement – The Department administers property maintenance and housing codes, zoning violations, environmental issues, nuisances, and lot ordinances.

- Code Compliance
- Zoning Compliance
- Environmental Issues
- Minimum Housing
VISION + VALUES

- **PLANNING**
  - Establishes shared community vision
  - Defines other common goals and objectives
  - Provides our policy foundation
  - Creates a more predictable future for investment

- **CODE ENFORCEMENT**
  - Planning and permitting
  - Sets the stage for clear regulations and tools
  - Predictable permitting processes

- **LICENSE AND PERMITTING**
  - Permitting and inspections:
  - Streamlined reviews
  - Consistency at counter and in field

- **BUILDING INSPECTIONS**
  - Inspections and planning:
  - Inspectors first-hand field knowledge informs planning
  - Electronic submittals
  - All inspectors certified

- **Provide the community with a sense of certainty and predictability.**

- **Identify both the short-term and long-range impacts of planning decisions.**

- **Identify the cumulative effects of individual decisions on the physical, economic and social environment.**

- **Continual self-development to improve our skills and effectiveness.**

- **Partnerships are our approach.**

- **Integrity is our standard.**
ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Licensing, Code Enforcement, Building Inspection:

- Alcohol Ordinance Amendments
- Demolition Partnership with Environmental Services Department
- Reorganized Business License Division
- Neighborhood Special Project Partnership
- Personal Care Home Ordinance Implementation
- Implemented Customer Service Survey
- Implemented Online Permitting
ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Ordinance Updates:
- Personal Care Homes
- Bicycle Parking
- Compact Car Parking
- Free Standing Sign Ordinance in Professional/Commercial Zones
- Crematoriums and Hours of Operation
- Reduced Special Setback on a Portion of Pleasant Home Road
ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Planning:

- Streamlined Historic Preservation COA application process

Augusta Regional Transportation Study (ARTS) MPO:

- Transportation Vision 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan
- Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)
- Title VI Program - Environmental Justice
ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Administrative:

- Updated Department’s Website
- Secured Additional Funding from FHWA
- Customer Service Training for Department
- Sixteen (16) Staff Became Certified in the Following:
  - Certified Accessibility Inspector / Plans Examiner
  - Certified Residential Electrical Inspector
  - Certified GSWCC Level IB Inspector
  - Certified Residential Building Inspector
  - Certified Residential Electrical Inspector
  - Certified Residential Plumbing Inspector
### PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATIONS & TRAINING

- Pipeline Emergency Response
- Georgia Soil and Water Conservation Course
- Herpetology Course @ Doctors Hospital
- Department Safety Officer
- Certified International Residential Code Inspector
- Americans with Disabilities Act Training
- Business Writing
- Plan Review
- Planning and Zoning 101
- GIS Augusta Maps
- Defensive Driving
- Administration Course
- Supervisor Training
- Communication for Women
- Team Building
- Erosion and Sedimentation
- Beginning Excel
- Georgia Association Code Enforcement: Hoarding and Mobile Homes
- Forensic Investigation of Elder Abuse/At Risk Adult Crime Tactic
- Substance Abuse
PLANNING
Provide Technical and Advisory Support to:

- Augusta Commission
- Augusta Planning Commission
- Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA)
- Historic Preservation Commission (HPC)
- Tree Commission
- Riverfront Review Board
- Construction Advisory Board
- Public Services Committee
- Metropolitan Planning Organization (ARTS)

- Columbia
- Richmond
- Aiken
- Edgefield
PLANNING BOARDS - ARTS/MPO

What does ARTS do?

- Develops and implements the regional transportation planning process.
- Identify and evaluate alternative transportation improvement options.
- Prepare and maintain a long-range transportation plan (LRTP).
- Develop a transportation improvement program (TIP).
- Involve the public and other stakeholders in the transportation planning process.
Metropolitan Planning Organization Grants (FHWA and FTA) 2014 & 2015

Federal Transit Administration (GA)
- 80% Federal Transit Administration
- 10% Georgia State Match
- 10% Local Match (in kind services)

Georgia PL Funds
- 80% Georgia & FHWA Planning Funds
- 20% Local Match (in kind services)

South Carolina PL Funds
- 80% South Carolina & FHWA Planning Funds
- 20% Aiken County Match
## Planning and Zoning Revenue for Fees/Permits 2014 and 2015

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<td>BZA Variances</td>
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<td>Manufactured Homes</td>
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- **2014 Total Revenue:** $206,326
- **2015 Total Revenue:** $244,908

The graph shows the revenue distribution by category for 2014 and 2015, with a clear increase in total revenue from 2014 to 2015.
Planning Administrative Actions by Category
2013 - 2015

- Special Use Permits
- Site Plans
- Historic Preservation
- Manufactured Home
- Commercial Manufacture Units
- Subdivision
- Family Personal Care Homes/Day Care

Year 2013:
- Sp. Use Permit: 26
- Site Plans: 26
- Historical Preservation: 26
- Manufactured Home: 21
- Commercial Manufacture Units: 21
- Subdivision: 19
- Fam PCH/Day Care: 13

Year 2014:
- Sp. Use Permit: 105
- Site Plans: 139
- Historical Preservation: 135
- Manufactured Home: 26
- Commercial Manufacture Units: 26
- Subdivision: 19
- Fam PCH/Day Care: 9

Year 2015:
- Sp. Use Permit: 255
- Site Plans: 270
- Historical Preservation: 118
- Manufactured Home: 117
- Commercial Manufacture Units: 62
- Subdivision: 24
- Fam PCH/Day Care: 24

Scale:
0 50 100 150 200 250 300 350
Annual Board and Commission Planning
Actions by Category
2013 - 2015

- Historic Preservation
- Planning Commission Zoning
- Board of Zoning Appeals
- Tree Commission
- Riverfront

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Historic Preservation: 43, 45, 54
Planning Commission Zoning: 53, 51, 29
Board of Zoning Appeals: 107
Tree Commission: 6, 0, 0
Riverfront Review: 1, 0, 0
Annual Site Plans by Category
2013 - 2015

Submitted Site Plans
2015 - 139
2014 - 129
2013 - 118

Note: Totals reflect unaudited revenue total.
Annual Subdivisions by Category
2013 - 2015

*small subdivisions were handled administratively until about 4/2014

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Subdivisions
2015 - 23
2014 - 19
2013 - 24
Final Plats (with number of plats) 2013 - 2015

Note: Final Plats accepted by Augusta Commission
Planning Commission Zoning Petitions by Category
2013 - 2015

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Petitions
2015 - 51
2014 - 55
2013 - 50
Annual Board of Zoning Appeals by Category
2013 - 2015

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29 Zoning Appeals Cases 2015
30 Zoning Appeals Cases 2014
107 Zoning Appeals Cases 2013
LICENSE AND PERMITTING
# Licensing and Permitting Revenue 2013 - 2015

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Note: Totals reflect unaudited revenue total.
Licensing and Permitting Revenue by category for January - 2015

Monthly revenue totals spike in the springtime for some categories.

Note: Totals reflect unaudited revenue total
New Business Licenses Issued Per Year
2010 - 2015

8,071 Business License Renewed (2015) +
1,022 New Business Licenses Issued (2015)
9,093 Total Business License Issued
BUILDING INSPECTIONS & CODE ENFORCEMENT

CODES
LICENSES
ZONING
PERMITS
DEMOLITIONS
INSPECTIONS
Construction Permits Issued Per Year
2010 - 2015

Year | Number of Construction Permits
--- | ---
2010 | 10,967
2011 | 9,784
2012 | 10,033
2013 | 10,289
2014 | 9,422
2015 | 8,059
New Construction Permits
Issued 2015

- Residential - Attached & Detached: 317
- Apartments Type: 18
- Commercial: 68
Number of Issued Certificates of Occupancy
2013 - 2015

Note: Certificates Issued by Licensing and Inspection
Current Status of Code Enforcement Cases
Opened from 2013 - 2015
As of 2/1/2016

Note: Does not reflect total number of open cases
### Violation Cases by Type
#### 2013-2015

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**Number of Activities**

- **Int'l Prop Maint Code (7-1-16)**: 2,220
- **Lot Ordinance (4-2-2)**: 1
- **Nuisance**: 1,430
- **Zoning**: 140
- **Mothball Letter**: 52
- **Other - Salvage Yard, Tire, Legacy**: 15
Code Enforcement Permitting Activities by Type
2013-2015


Type of Activities: Demolition Permits, Mothball Ordinance, Personal Care Homes, Zoning-personal care-3 or less
Other Licensing and Inspection Activities by Type
2013-2015

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Questions?