

PLANNING BIBLIOGRAPHY

Planning Classics

1. **Guide to California Planning**

By William Fulton, 1999

Describes how planning really works in California, how cities, counties, developers, and citizen groups all interact with each other on a daily basis to shape California communities and the California landscape, for better and for worse. Recipient of the California Chapter American Planning Association Award for Planning Education.

2. **The Death and Life of Great American Cities**

By Jane Jacobs, New York, Vintage Books, 1961

First published in 1961, this book is a scathing critique of modernist planning policies claimed by Jacobs to be destroying many existing inner-city communities. Reserving her most vitriolic criticism for the “rationalist” planners (specifically Robert Moses) of the 1950’s and 1960’s, she argues that modernist urban planning rejects the city, because it rejects human beings living in a community characterized by layered complexity and seeming chaos. The modernist planners used deductive reasoning to find principles by which to plan cities. Among these policies the most violent was urban renewal; the most prevalent was and is separation of uses (i.e residential, industrial, commercial).

3. **Great Streets**

by Allan B. Jacobs, 1995

Which are the world's best streets, and what are the physical, designable characteristics that make them great? To answer these questions, Allan Jacobs has surveyed street users and design professionals and has studied a wide array of street types and urban spaces around the world. With more than 200 illustrations, all prepared by the author, along with analysis and statistics, Great Streets offers a wealth of information on street dimensions, plans, sections, and patterns of use, all systematically compared.

4. **Citizen's Guide to Planning - Third Edition**

By Herbert Smith, 1993

In the third edition of this handbook, Smith explains the community planning process in non-technical terms and demonstrates the need for widespread citizen involvement in community development. Updated to address the new challenges that face planners in the 1990s, "The Citizen's Guide to Planning provides a resource for new planning board members and other newcomers to the planning process. The scope of the book ranges from the basic concepts of planning to the new institutions, organizations, issues, and legislation have changed the planning process over several decades. From definitions of basic concepts to summaries of major legislation, this is a practical guide to mastering an often complicated process. Discussions of the National Affordable Housing Act, the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act, and the Clean Air Act prepare citizens to cope with the effect of recent legislation on planning.

5. **The Practice of Local Government Planning - Third Edition**

By Charles Hoch, Linda C. Dalton, Frank S. So, ICMA Training Institute, 2001

Completely revised and updated, this new edition is filled with practical guidance on a broad range of issues that planners are likely to encounter whether they work in inner cities, older suburbs, rural

districts, or small towns. In addition to covering the latest planning trends and the impact of technology, diversity, and citizen participation, this text gives complete coverage of basic planning functions such as housing, transportation, community development, and urban design.

6. **Good City Form**

By Kevin Lynch, 1984

With the publication of *The Image of the City* in 1959, Kevin Lynch embarked upon the process of exploring city form. *Good City Form* is both a summation and an extension of his vision, a high point from which he views cities past and possible. First published in hardcover under the title *A Theory of Good City Form*

7. **A Pattern Language: Towns, Buildings, Construction**

by Christopher Alexander, Sara Ishikawa, and Murray Silverstein, 1976

"Here's how to design or redesign any space you're living or working in, from metropolis to room. Consider what you want to happen in the space, and then page through this book. Its radically conservative observations will spark, enhance, organize your best ideas, and a wondrous home, workplace, town will result" --*San Francisco Chronicle*. This handbook is designed for the layperson and aims to present a language which people can use to express themselves in their own communities or homes.

8. **The Urban General Plan**

By TJ Kent, 1990

No description available.

City History

9. **Clyde Arbuckle's History of San Jose**

Clyde Arbuckle, 1985

Although San José is one of the newest of cities, it is one of the oldest of communities in the State of California. It has a history both rich and varied. From the Spanish Conquistadors to the Mission padres to the mountain men voyageurs' to the 49'ers, San José has been a glowing hope for the future. And so it remains. Here in this beautiful valley one group of travellers after another have found a tremendous opportunity to fulfill their dreams. It has provided a vision of a better life to those who arrived as overland emigrants in covered wagons or in tempest-tossed boats from lands at the other side of the Pacific Rim. It has always stood for things simple and profound: freedom and hope.

10. **Reflections of the Past: An Anthology of San Jose**

Judith Henderson, editor. 1996

No description available.

11. **San Jose: California's First City.**

By Edwin A. Beilharz and Donald O. DeMers Jr. 1980

12. **Santa Clara County: Harvest of Change**

Stephen M. Payne. 1987 (newly revised, should be out by soon if not now)

This book starts from its earliest days, when tribes of Ohlone Indians hunted, fished, and cultivated the natural vegetation of its fertile valley floor, Santa Clara County has been observed with great fascination by pioneers and entrepreneurs.

13. Silicon Valley: Inventing the Future

By Jean Deitz Sexton, 1992

No description available.

14. San Jose: City with a Past

By Kathleen Muller, 1988

No description available.

Planning Education

15. Guidelines for Preparing Urban Plans

By Larz T. Anderson, 1995

No description available.

16. An Economic Development Toolbook (PAS 541)

By Terry Moore, Stuart Meck and James Ebenhoh, 2006

A practical guide to economic development for local governments.

18. Planning the Built Environment

By Larz Anderson, American planning Association, 2000

Successful urban planning is a collaborative effort that involves many disciplines. In this book, Larz Anderson acquaints readers with some of the basic procedures employed by professionals in related fields. Practicing planners will find it helpful to know the essentials of water and sewer systems, traffic generation, and site planning, so they can work more compatibly with civil engineers, traffic engineers, and landscape architects. Understanding their vocabulary and design constraints will foster better communication and more effective planning practice.

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Smart Growth

19. **Drosscape: Wasting Land in Urban America**

By Alan Berger, 2006

Drosscape is a fascinating visual examination of the modern built environment. Chock-full of photographs, maps and charts, the book exposes readers to the 'wastelands' of ten different American cities, from older industrial areas in the urban core to modern complexes on the metropolitan fringe. While the book takes a mostly negative view of sprawl, it serves not as a condemnation per se, but as fertilizer for the germination of ideas regarding the productive reuse of these underutilized and spoiled landscapes.

20. **This Land: The Battle over Sprawl and the Future of America**

By Anthony Flint, 2006

The battle between sprawl and smart growth continues with this provocative new volume from former Boston Globe reporter Anthony Flint. *This Land* provides a revealing look at the story of urban growth and development in the United States, explaining the complex interaction of politics, market forces, and social values that have resulted in the suburban American landscape. Flint brings his years of experience as a journalist to bear on the subject, synthesizing macro trends and individual stories to create a thorough review of the land use issues in America, and what can be done to turn the tide and create more livable cities, towns and neighborhoods.

21. **The Regional City: Planning for the End of Sprawl**

By William Fulton and Peter Calthorpe, Island Press, 2001

Two of the most innovative thinkers in the field of urban design offer a new vision for how metropolitan areas in the United States can grow wisely and overcome sprawl and inequity, by using physical design scenarios as well as regional social and economic policies.

22. **The Next American Metropolis: Ecology, Community and the American Dream**

By Peter Calthorpe, Princeton Architectural Press, 1993

The environmental economic and social limits to growth in our metropolitan region are reaching crisis proportions. *The Next American Metropolis: Ecology, Community and the American Dream* advocates a fundamental change in our pattern of building. In addition to defining a new direction in Planning, this is a how to book providing the means as well as the principles for change. Author Peter Calthorpe's guidelines are neither an architectural manifesto nor a utopian proposal. They describe alternatives now shaping the debate over growth in communities across the United States. Comprehensive in scope, they simultaneously address the housing, traffic, environmental and social problems inherent in sprawl. This is a book for architects, engaged citizens, urban planners, environmentalists and urban activists, for people seeking to understand their present conditions and develop a vision of a sustainable future.

Urban Design

23. **Planning and Urban Design Standards**

By Frederick R. Steiner and Kent S. butler, American planning Association, 2006

This book, created under the auspices of The American Planning Association, is the most comprehensive reference book on urban planning, design, and development available today. Contributions from more than two hundred renowned professionals provide rules of thumb and best practices for mitigating such environmental impacts as noise, traffic, aesthetics, preservation of green space and wildlife, water quality, and more.

You get in-depth information on the tools and techniques used to achieve planning and design outcomes, including economic analysis, mapping, visualization, legal foundations, and real estate developments. Thousands of illustrations, examples of custom work by today's leading planners, and insider information make this work the new standard in the field. Order your copy today.

Transportation Planning

24. The Transportation/Land Use Connection

By Terry Moore and Paul Thorsnes, American Planning Association, Planning Advisory Service, Report 448/449, 1994.

No Description available.

25. Transportation for Livable Cities

By Vukan R. Vuchic, CUPR Press, 1999.

Vuchic sets the stage with an overview of the livability crisis that faces so many U.S. urban areas. Subsequent chapters discuss the relationship between cities and transportation, the transportation policies and practices that got us into the mess we're in, and compare U.S. policy and practice with those in peer countries in Western Europe, East Asia, Australia, and Canada that have generally been much more successful in dealing with the same set of problems.

In a chapter devoted to common misconceptions in urban transportation, Vuchic does a good job of laying out the fallacies in the arguments that are so often rolled out to oppose any transit project. Finally, he provides a good summary of the transportation policies needed for livable cities, suggests the implementing measures through which cities can achieve intermodal balance, and, finally, offers some ideas about how transportation and planning professionals can begin to move things in the right direction. This is a solid work that should be required reading for transportation planners and policy makers in every urban area.

26. Transportation & Land Use Innovation

By Reid H. Ewing, American planning Association, 1997

As our overstressed highways become increasingly snarled, America's love affair with the automobile continues to exact a frightening toll on our roadways, environment, and quality of life. This handbook, written especially for nontechnical readers, shows that you don't have to be a transportation engineer to effectively combat traffic congestion and automobile dependence. General planners and decision makers can set a new course by adopting broader transportation performance standards that incorporate mobility, livability, accessibility, and sustainability.

Sustainability and Environmental Thought

27. Green Cities: Urban Growth And the Environment

By Matthew Kahn, 2006

What are the environmental consequences of urban growth? Matthew Kahn, a professor of economics at Tufts University, seeks to address this question head on in his recent survey of the impacts of urbanization. The book explores the role of free-market economics in both harming and helping the environmental quality of cities, and in the process, challenges the static idea that more growth equals more pollution. Using economic and environmental data, Kahn provides a new definition of a green city that will give planners a lot to think about as they face increasing population growth and urbanization.

28. Green Urbanism: Learning from European Cities

By Timothy Beatley, 2000

In *Green Urbanism*, Timothy Beatley explains what planners and local officials in the United States can learn from the sustainable city movement in Europe. The book draws from the extensive European experience, examining the progress and policies of twenty-five of the most innovative cities in eleven European countries, which Beatley researched and observed in depth during a year-long stay in the Netherlands. Chapters examine: the sustainable cities movement in Europe examples and ideas of different housing and living options transit systems and policies for promoting transit use, increasing bicycle use, and minimizing the role of the automobile creative ways of incorporating greenness into cities ways of readjusting "urban metabolism" so that waste flows become circular programs to promote more sustainable forms of economic development sustainable building and sustainable design measures and features renewable energy initiatives and local efforts to promote solar energy ways of greening the many decisions of local government including ecological budgeting, green accounting, and other city management tools.

23. CEQA Deskbook - Second Edition

By Jones and Strokes Consulting Firm, 1999

The CEQA Deskbook is the most current, step-by-step guide on California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) compliance. Written for practicing environmental planners and attorneys, this new edition includes the complete California State CEQA Guidelines text as amended on February 1, 1999 and all amendments to CEQA through January 1, 1999, plus much more. The California Association of Environmental Professionals (AEP) has recognized the CEQA Deskbook with an Award of Excellence.

24. Towards Sustainable Communities

By Mark Roseland, 2005

Local governments are increasingly caught between rising expectations that development initiatives be sustainable and the fact that more and more services are being downloaded to the municipal level. The third edition of this classic text offers practical suggestions and innovative solutions to a range of community problems, including energy efficiency, transportation, land use, housing, waste reduction, recycling, air quality and governance. In clear language, with updated tools, initiatives and resources, a new preface and foreword, this sustainable practices resource is for both citizens and governments. Mark Roseland is director of the Center for Sustainable Community Development at Simon Fraser University in British Columbia. He lectures internationally and advises communities and governments.

Planning and Social Equity

29. Towards Cosmopolis: Planning for Multicultural Cities

By Leonie Sandercock, John Wiley & Sons. 1997

Explores how cosmopolitan cities responds to the economic, political and cultural demands and needs of so many diverse, and sometimes opposing groups.

Useful links

<http://www.planetizen.com/>

<http://www.planning.org/>