

# HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE

## 1929 - 2004

Decade	External Forces (Opportunities and Threats)	RPC Actions and Accomplishments (Service Direction, Programs and Projects)
1920's	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• U.S. regional planning movement</li> <li>• U.S. zoning movement</li> <li>• Ohio regional planning law</li> <li>• Ohio subdivision enabling legislation</li> <li>• Uncoordinated suburban development</li> <li>• Public health concerns</li> <li>• Property value concerns</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Choice of Regional versus County Planning Commission</li> <li>• <i>Formation of the Hamilton County Regional Planning Commission</i></li> </ul>
1930's	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• U.S. Great Depression</li> <li>• FHA home mortgage insurance</li> <li>• Ohio legislation transferring platting authority from County Commissioners to the RPC</li> <li>• Suburbanization and auto-oriented towns</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Publish <a href="#">initial report and plan</a></li> <li>• Develop model subdivision regulations</li> <li>• Adopt County subdivision regulations</li> <li>• Promote subdivision control in municipalities</li> <li>• Develop Hamilton County <a href="#">Thoroughfare Plan</a></li> </ul>
1940's	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• WW II and post-war shortages</li> <li>• Federal Housing Act</li> <li>• Ohio zoning enabling legislation</li> <li>• Incorporation of 7 municipalities</li> <li>• Completion of 1948 <a href="#">Cincinnati Master Plan with County-wide Elements</a></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prepare regional planning studies</li> <li>• Update County subdivision regulations</li> <li>• Initiate property addressing system for Hamilton County</li> <li>• Promote state law amendments to enable zoning regulations</li> <li>• Develop <a href="#">model zoning regulations</a> for Hamilton County townships</li> <li>• Create Rural Zoning Commission</li> <li>• Adopt rural zoning in five townships (1949)</li> <li>• Reorganization of the RPC</li> </ul>
1950's	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Interstate highway system</li> <li>• Post-war auto oriented suburban development</li> <li>• Incorporation of 5 municipalities</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Expand short term planning</li> <li>• Refine administration of subdivisions</li> <li>• Develop administration of zoning</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Zoning adoption by individual precincts</li> <li>• Cincinnati Population peaks at 504,000 people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adopt rural zoning in two additional townships</li> </ul>
1960's	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• U.S. metropolitan planning movement</li> <li>• U.S. Categorical Grants and 701 Planning Grants</li> <li>• Civil Rights movement</li> <li>• School desegregation</li> <li>• War on Poverty / Social Planning</li> <li>• Model Cities / Urban Renewal Legislation</li> <li>• Ohio case law on annexation policy</li> <li>• Rapid growth and storm water problems</li> <li>• Community Action Agencies</li> <li>• Community Services Block Grants</li> <li>• Accelerated auto-oriented suburban development</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adopt rural zoning in two additional townships</li> <li>• Develop <a href="#">Hamilton County Master Plan</a></li> <li>• Update Hamilton County Thoroughfare Plan</li> <li>• Prepare Hamilton County Public Library Plan</li> <li>• Prepare Hamilton County Parks Plan</li> <li>• Prepare Code Enforcement Programs</li> <li>• Prepare Comprehensive Storm Drainage &amp; Open Space Master Plan</li> <li>• Collaborate in creation of OKI Regional Council of Governments</li> <li>• Develop Planned Unit Development zoning regulations</li> </ul>
1970's	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• U.S. 701 Planning Grants</li> <li>• U.S. Community Development Block Grants</li> <li>• Housing and Community Development Act of 1974</li> <li>• State and Federal Scenic Rivers Program</li> <li>• Urban County Authority and Funding</li> <li>• Hamilton County population peaks at 924,000 people</li> <li>• Movement from county zoning to township zoning</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Collaborate in creation of Community Development Dept.</li> <li>• Prepare Assisted Housing Plan</li> <li>• Prepare Citizen Participation Plan</li> <li>• Prepare Little Miami River Valley Study and Scenic River Program Plan</li> <li>• Initiate Flood Insurance Program Regulations</li> <li>• Update elements of Master Plan <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Commercial-industrial element</li> <li>○ Housing element</li> <li>○ Environment / hillside development element</li> <li>○ Storm drainage element</li> <li>○ Sanitary sewers element</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Adopt rural zoning in one additional township</li> </ul>
1980's	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• U.S. case law on land use, property rights and regulatory takings</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prepare township land use plans</li> <li>• Prepare major corridor land use</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cincinnati Metropolitan Housing Authority extended to County boundaries</li> <li>• Taylor Creek Sewer Proposals for western Hamilton County</li> <li>• Western Hamilton County development and stream pollution</li> <li>• Continued movement to township zoning.</li> </ul>	<p>plans</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prepare municipal plans by contract</li> <li>• Prepare analysis of Secondary Impacts of Sanitary Sewers</li> <li>• Develop RPC Consistency Bylaws governing adoption, amendment, interpretation and implementation of adopted plans</li> <li>• Expand zoning enforcement program</li> <li>• Obtain certification as a Census Information Center for 4 counties</li> </ul>
1990's	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• U.S. community benchmarking movement</li> <li>• U.S. sustainable development movement</li> <li>• U.S. regionalism movement</li> <li>• U.S. property rights movement</li> <li>• Global economy and regional competition</li> <li>• Personal computer technology</li> <li>• Internet</li> <li>• GIS computerized mapping technology</li> <li>• Ohio smart growth movement</li> <li>• West side sewer and water expansion</li> <li>• Township home rule</li> <li>• Movement from county zoning to township zoning</li> <li>• Expansion of county government authority</li> <li>• Disinvestment in urban/suburban core</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Develop computer network, information systems and services</li> <li>• Develop data products and services</li> <li>• Update Thoroughfare Plan</li> <li>• Develop model subdivision regulations (SUAG: Subdivision Update Advisory Group)</li> <li>• Develop model zoning regulations (ZUAG: Zoning Update Advisory Group)</li> <li>• Revise state law to enable new zoning techniques</li> <li>• Develop CAGIS layers</li> <li>• Develop contract planning and zoning services (LZAC: Local Zoning Assistance Center, LPAC: Local Planning Assistance Center)</li> <li>• Develop automated zoning code</li> <li>• Develop automated and integrated permitting system</li> <li>• Develop web site for RPC / RZC</li> <li>• Assist in Central Riverfront Urban Design Plan</li> <li>• Adopt Western Hamilton County Collaborative Plan</li> <li>• Prepare Special Public Interest Districts</li> <li>• Prepare Strategic Plan for RPC organization (alternatives for improvement of RPC organizational structure to fit current environment)</li> <li>• Convene RPC Reorganization</li> </ul>

		Committee
2000 to 2004	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• U.S. public health in planning movement</li> <li>• U.S. new urbanist movement</li> <li>• U.S. smart growth movement</li> <li>• Ohio First Suburbs revitalization movement</li> <li>• Regional and global competition</li> <li>• OKI transit corridor studies</li> <li>• MetroMoves transit plan</li> <li>• Greater Ohio Inc. / Planning Law Reform</li> <li>• Suburban gridlock</li> <li>• Infill development</li> <li>• Flooding</li> <li>• Sewage overflows</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Reestablishment the Hamilton County Regional Planning Commission and Resolution of Cooperation</i></li> <li>• <i>Formation of the Planning Partnership</i></li> <li>• Adopt <a href="#">Planning Partnership Bylaws</a></li> <li>• Adopt <a href="#">Planning Partnership Organizational Strategy</a></li> <li>• Develop <a href="#">Stormwater Management Education Program</a></li> <li>• Develop Capital Improvement Priorities Program</li> <li>• Prepare <a href="#">Resource Book for Community Revitalization</a></li> <li>• Prepare Cost of Government Services Study</li> <li>• Convene Annual Workshop for Newly Elected Officials</li> <li>• Convene Annual Planning Workshop / Town Planning Day</li> <li>• Develop web site: <a href="http://www.planningpartnership.org">www.planningpartnership.org</a></li> <li>• Develop web site: <a href="http://www.communitycompass.org">www.communitycompass.org</a></li> <li>• Redevelop web site: <a href="http://www.hamilton-co.org/hcrpc">www.hamilton-co.org/hcrpc</a></li> <li>• Develop list serve: PlanningPartnerNet</li> <li>• Develop <a href="#">UPDATE: The Planning Partnership Newsletter</a></li> <li>• “Making Great Communities: <a href="#">The Certified Planning Commissioners’ Program</a>”</li> <li>• Assist in Eastern Corridor Land Use Vision Plan</li> <li>• Assist in Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan</li> <li>• Assist in Stormwater Management Plan</li> <li>• Assist in Overall Economic Development Plan</li> <li>• Prepare Benchmarks for Progress</li> <li>• Prepare Census Atlas</li> </ul>

- Develop digital planning library
- Form partnership with First Suburbs Consortium
- Prepare Community Revitalization Tools Resource Book
- Develop Community COMPASS scope and process (Comprehensive Master Plan and Strategies for Hamilton County)
- Convene Community COMPASS Steering Team
- Develop Community Values Survey
- Prepare Population Study: [Spreading Out: The March to the Suburbs](#)
- Prepare Hamilton County Perspectives on Governance
- Prepare [Industrial Cluster Approach to Economic Development](#)
- Convene Community Forums
- Convene [Countywide Town Meeting](#)
- Prepare [Hamilton County Data Book](#)
- Adopt [The Vision for Hamilton County's Future](#)
- Adopt [Initiatives and Strategies](#)
- Develop Prioritization Methodology and Recommendations
- Convene [COMPASS Action Teams](#)
- Prepare [External Influences: The Impact of National Trends on Hamilton County's Future](#)
- Prepare Population / State of the County Report
- Prepare Civic Engagement and Social Capital / State of the County Report
- Prepare Community Services / State of the County Report
- Prepare Culture and Recreation / State of the County Report
- Prepare Economy and Labor Market / State of the County

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- Prepare Education / State of the County Report
- Prepare Environment / State of the County Report
- Prepare Environmental and Social Justice / State of the County Report
- Prepare Governance / State of the County Report
- Prepare Health and Human Services / State of the County Report
- Prepare Housing / State of the County Report
- Prepare Land Use & Development Framework / State of the County Report
- Prepare Mobility / State of the County Report
- Prepare Hamilton County's Comparative and Competitive Advantage
- Convene Business and Industry Cluster Workshop
- Convene [Property Maintenance Workshop](#)
- Convene Asset Based Community Development Workshop
- Convene Site Plan Review Workshop
- Develop [Community Revitalization Initiative](#)
- Develop Hamilton County Regional Forum Initiative
- Develop Strategic Plans
- Develop Action Plans
- Develop Annual Report Cards
- Prepare Grant Applications for Plan Implementation
- Develop Implementation Partnerships