Alberta Professional Planners Institute

APPI Nominee Platform – Election 2020

NOMINEE FOR THE POSITION OF COUNCILLOR

Chelsea Whitty, RPP, MCIP

(nominee's name)

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Academic and professional background

Chelsea is a register professional planner and an Associate at DIALOG on the Urban Design and Planning team. She has contributed to building an integrated team of planners, designers, and landscape architects in Edmonton. Her portfolio of work spans across traditional policy development, broad scale master planning, urban design, and public engagement. She is also an instructor at the University of Alberta in the School of Urban and Regional Planning where she teaches a course in community planning and engagement. Chelsea has worked in Calgary and Edmonton, holding positions in both the public and private sectors.

Involvement in professional organizations

Chelsea is proud to have served on APPI council since 2018. Chelsea is passionate about promoting the value of professional planning, strengthening relationships in the community, and supporting the development of young professionals. As a member of council, she has represented APPI at the University of Alberta's Celebration of Planning, student networking events, and World Town Planning Day; attended and volunteered at conferences and social events; prepared communications to members; and collaborated on an article for PLAN North West. She is also part of Council's governance and registration committees.

Beyond council, Chelsea is a mentor for candidate members and leads the cooperative work program for planning students at DIALOG Edmonton. In her spare time she is an active urbanist who enjoys participating in city-building initiatives such as PARK(ing) Day, 100in1 Day, Design Week, and Jane's Walk's.

Election Platform

Chelsea would be honored to serve on council for a second term. Her first term allowed her to gain a better understanding of council processes and how APPI can best serve its membership. A highlight of her past term was contributing to the preparation of APPI's Strategic Plan. With the support of members, she hopes to continue to contribute to the development of our profession and advance the Institute's strategic priorities.

Chelsea continues to believe in the importance of effective and transparent communication between council and members. She hopes to continue advocating for learning opportunities that align with the professional development needs of APPI's members who live and work in both rural and urban communities across Alberta and the Northwest Territories. She is passionate about building relationships with post-secondary programs and exploring opportunities to collaborate with other professional organizations in related fields. With the support of members, Chelsea looks forward to continuing to serve the planning profession and advancing APPI initiatives.