Local Planning Agency

Created Pursuant to LDR s. 9.3

Powers & Duties:

The powers and duties of the LPA are established in Article 9, LDR and include but are not limited to the following:

Review and recommend to the Board of County Commissioners for approval, approval with modifications, or denial certain development applications pursuant to Article 10, Development Review Procedures.

Upon authorization by the Board of County Commissioners, to make its special knowledge and expertise available to any official, department, board, or agency.

Review and recommend for approval, approval with modifications, or denial revisions to the Land Development Regulations pursuant to Article 10, Development Review Procedures. Adopt rules of procedure not inconsistent with the provisions of the Land Development Regulations.

How Appointed:

The LPA shall be composed of five members appointed by the Board of County Commissioners. One member shall be appointed from each county commission district. Prior to the appointment, the member shall have been a registered voter in the district for at least one year. On July 23, 2002, the BCC approved the appointment of the school district as a non-voting member who shall attend those meetings at which the LPA considers comprehensive plan amendments or rezonings that would, if approved, increase residential density on the property that is the subject of the application.

Terms:

The term of office of each member shall coincide with the term of office of the County Commissioner representing the district from which the member was appointed. The term of the school district representative would be at the pleasure of the Martin County Superintendent of Schools.

Meetings: Meetings are held at least once a month.

Staff Liaison: Paul Schilling, Growth Management Director

Member	Position	Appointed	Term End
Jared Engskow	Commission District 1	01/15/2025	11/01/2028
Thomas Campenni	Commission District 2	11/22/2022	11/15/2026
Howard Brown	Commission District 3	11/19/2025	11/01/2028
James Moir	Commission District 4	11/19/2002	11/15/2026
Ricou (Rick) Hartman	Commission District 5	02/06/2024	11/01/2028
Julie Sessa	Martin County School District	06/17/2025	12/31/2025

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