## Fort Gratiot Charter Township PLANNING COMMISSION

In Michigan, the duties and responsibilities of a Planning Commission are defined by the Planning and Zoning Enabling Acts. These Acts were passed in response to local governments realizing the need for an independent, non-political entity to make decisions and recommendations regarding land use.

Planning Commission Key Responsibilities & Functions

- Create, maintain, and update general development plan, or Master Plan
- Rezoning and planned unit development recommendations
- Zoning Map amendment recommendations
- Zoning text amendment recommendations
- Special land use approval
- Site plan approval
- Subdivision plat or site condo review and approval
- Capital improvements programming

The Michigan Planning Enabling Act (PA 33 of 2008), also known as MPEA, gives the local government the authority to plan and to create a Planning Commission. The Act establishes the formation and function of a Planning Commission, allows the commission to adopt by-laws, and requires that the Commission maintains a public record of resolutions; the Planning Enabling Act PA 33 of 2008, as amended, the Zoning Enabling Act PA 110 of 2006, as amended, and the Open Meetings Act define other responsibilities and authorities to be carried out by the Planning Commission.

All correspondence for the Planning Commission members can be sent to <a href="mailto:planning@fortgratiot.us">planning@fortgratiot.us</a>. The zoning ordinances can be found at the www.municode.com or fortgratiot.us in Chapter 38-Zoning. Meetings are held at the Municipal Center the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM unless otherwise posted. Meetings will be posted in accordance with the Open Meetings Act PA 267 of 1976, as amended, and business will be conducted in accordance with the Zoning Enabling Act, PA 110 of 2006, as amended

COMMISSIONER	APPOINTED	EXPIRES
Anne Hilton	01/20/2021	12/31/2024
Shannon Muir	01/20/2021	12/31/2024
Rick Mills	01/03/2007	12/31/2024
Charles Koob	12/16/2015	12/31/2024
Bob Buechler, Clerk	11/20/2020	11/20/2024
Kathy Wurmlinger	02/05/2020	12/31/2023
Nathan Oprita	12/14/2021	12/14/2024

Commissioners are appointed to a three (3) year term; there are no term limits.

Board member appointment to correspond with their elected term.

JANUARY 2023 – MARCH 2024 MEETING DATES					
January 10, 2023	April 11	July 11	October 10	January 09, 2024	
February 14	May 09	August 08	November 14	February 13, 2024	
March 14	June 13	September 12	December 12, 2023	March 12, 2024	

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