Be Sure to SAVE THE DATE for Future North Carolina Planning Conferences

Charlotte - October 5-7, 2011
Wilmington - Fall 2012
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29
11:30 am to 2:45 pm NCAPA LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING (COLONIAL CAPITAL BALLROOM C)
The Legislative Committee has been hard at work this session recruiting and reorganizing. This meeting will set the NCAPA Legislative Agenda for the next two years and will present simple ways you can get involved from making a phone call to giving tours to your local legislators.

12:00 Noon NCAPA ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT REGISTRATION (TEE TIME BEGINS AT 1:00 PM)
Join your fellow North Carolina Chapter members for the 2010 NCAPA golf tournament on the Sound of Freedom Golf Course located at Bldg 3570 (Jackson Drive) on Cherry Point Marine Corps Air Station. Registration will start at noon. Cost includes green and cart fees, light lunch, drinks, a sleeve of balls, and prizes.

12:30 pm REGISTRATION OPENS (CONVENTION CENTER 1ST FLOOR)
1:00 pm to 4:00 pm MOBILE WORKSHOPS (2 CM CREDITS EACH)
DOWN BY THE RIVERSIDE (MEETS AT THE HILTON NEW BERN RIVERFRONT)
Boat tour on the Trent and Neuse Rivers intended to provide professional planners and allied fields with information about water access planning, issues with marinas, public trust water controversies, high rise condo blocking views, historic district planning, heritage tourism, public housing issues, water quality issues, environmental issues, recreation, signage, working with NCDOT on bridge replacements, infill development, noise issues on commercial properties, working with the railroad and other topics of interest to planners regarding waterfront development. Tour Guides: Mike Avery, AICP, City of New Bern; Judy Hills, Eastern Carolina Council of Governments; Maureen Meehan Will, North Carolina Division of Coastal Management

SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY INITIATIVES THROUGH SUCCESSFUL PARTNERSHIPS (MEETS AT THE FRONT OF THE CONVENTION CENTER)
Successful partnerships are often a key component to sustainable community initiatives and development projects which may face multi-layer challenges above and beyond the standard approval process. This mobile session will tour redevelopment, infill, reuse, Brownfields assessments, and affordable housing sites within the City of New Bern. Discussion will focus on the creative partnerships required to successfully undertake sustainable community development initiatives. The tour will offer opportunities to see and hear about sustainable community plans, initiatives and partnerships that have resulted in successful public and private redevelopment projects and a variety of affordable housing developments including local PHA housing, community development corporation developments and Habitat for Humanity homes. Tour Guides: Bernard George, AICP, City of New Bern; Mark McCloskey, AICP, East Carolina Community Development, Inc.; Linda Staab, Town of Morehead City; Harold Thurston, AMEC Earth and Environmental, Inc.

1:30 pm to 2:45 pm CONCURRENT SESSIONS (1.25 CM CREDITS EACH)
BUILDING A BIKE/PEDESTRIAN FRIENDLY CULTURE (TRYON ROOM A)
This panel session will focus on the planning, design, and implementation aspects of multimodal local bike plan initiatives - bringing policy, programs, and projects forward through implementation. The importance of political buy-in will also be addressed by the panel. Presenters: Michael Rutkowski, P.E., AICP, Kimley-Horn; Iona Thomas, AICP, Stewart Engineering, Inc.; Matthew Burczyk, AICP, City of Winston-Salem

SUSTAINING NORTH CAROLINA’S MILITARY REGION: PLANNING STRATEGIES AND IMPLICATIONS (BERNE ROOM)
Overview of best practices, trends and current and future challenges to protecting North Carolina’s military communities and local economies. Issues to be addressed include impacts of defense-related initiatives on education, housing, transportation, infrastructure and health care. Presenter: Donald R. Belk, BRAC Regional Task Force
PLANNING FOR SEA LEVEL RISE ALONG THE NORTH CAROLINA COAST (COLONIAL CAPITAL BALLROOM C)

North Carolina, in partnership with FEMA, is developing a study on the potential risks associated with sea level rise along our coast. The study’s goal is to evaluate the potential changes in coastal flooding hazards due to sea level rise and changes in storm frequency and intensity on a system-wide basis. The study will consider built and living systems and is inclusive of societal and economic impacts these changes will bring. Come learn about this study and what its implications are for coastal communities. NCAPA is a member of the study’s Advisory Board. Presenters: John Dorman, North Carolina Geospatial & Technology Management; Jerry Sparks, P.E., CFM, Dewberry Analysis Center

QUALITY SERVICE MATTERS: EFFECTIVE CUSTOMER SERVICE STRATEGIES FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT (BERNE ROOM)

Planning is a service-centered profession. Everything we do is oriented toward serving customers and our customers’ expectations are high and getting higher. Today as never before planning programs are asked to provide more service with fewer people. In this session we will examine the role of customer service in local planning offices, learn how to evaluate and improve service functions, and see what the City of Gastonia has done recently and continues to do to update and improve its service functions. Presenters: Carol Rhea, AICP, Rhea Consulting, Inc.; Jason Thompson, GIS P, City of Gastonia

TRUE COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY: AUDITING, ORGANIZING AND IMPLEMENTING (TRYON ROOM A)

Communities across the country are struggling to understand how the term “sustainable” applies to them - their operations, their development, and their finances. They know it’s more complex than buying a hybrid car fleet but how does a community prioritize their “going green” approach. This session will focus on how communities can achieve the “triple bottom line” of economic, environmental, and social sustainability using various locally calibrated tools and techniques. Presenters: Craig Lewis, AICP, LEEP AP, CNU-A, Lawrence Group; Kathleen Rose, CCIM, Urban Organic 1, LLC

9:30 am to 9:45 am BREAK

9:45 am to 11:15 am AICP ETHICS SESSION (1.5 CM CREDITS) (COLONIAL CAPITAL BALLROOM A)

By the end of this session, attendees will have a thorough understanding of the format, intent, and application of the adopted AICP Principles and Code of Ethics. Through review of the content of both the Principles and Code of Ethics and use of scenarios, attendees will explore and discuss the application and intent of the code. This session also looks beyond the minimum rules of conduct into what it means to be an ethical planner as stated and implied in our aspirational principles. Presenters: Ben Hitchings, AICP, CZO, Town of Morrisville; Carol A. Rhea, AICP, Rhea Consulting, Inc.; Mitchell J. Silver, PP, AICP, City of Raleigh

11:15 am to 12:00 pm CLOSING SESSION

State of the APA - Mitchell J. Silver, APA President-Elect
2011 North Carolina Planning Conference - Debra Campbell, City of Charlotte Planning Director
Exhibitor Treasure Hunt Prize Drawing & NCAPA Diversity Committee Raffle
Closing Remarks - Fleming El-Amin II, NCAPA President

Thank you for attending the 2010 North Carolina Planning Conference. See you in Charlotte in 2011!

To learn more about the American Planning Association - North Carolina Chapter (NCAPA), please visit our website at www.nc-apa.org.
LIVABLE STREETS DOWNTOWN PLAN – ENDING HOMELESSNESS 10-YEAR PLAN – TWO PLANS, A SINGLE PROCESS (TRYON ROOM B)

This session will outline a planning process which was developed to undertake a wide variety of topics necessary to develop a downtown plan and how that planning process was duplicated to undertake a very different social planning process to develop a 10-Year Plan to End and Prevent Homelessness. The session will also close with a component dealing with the many issues that persons who are homeless and making extremely low incomes (less than 40% Adjusted Median Income (AMI) and considered to be at risk face each day. 

Presenter: Ken Maness, AICP, City of Raleigh (retired)

TURNING ON YOUR COMMUNITY CHARACTER'S (COLONIAL CAPITAL BALLROOM B)

Every community has its tag-line and vision of how they perceive themselves. The Town of Holly Springs, Town of Franklin, and City of Brevard have different characteristics and roots but are all working on defining and creating their own sense of place. Learn how these varied communities from across the state have defined their community’s character, incorporated this character into their plans, and are now implementing this character through special events, public spaces, and community participation.

Presenters: Gina M. Clapp, AICP, Town of Holly Springs; Daniel Cobb, City of Brevard; Mike Grubermann, Town of Franklin

1:30 pm to 3:30 pm AICP PRE-EXAM REVIEW SESSION (CRAVEN BOARDROOM)

Do you plan to take the AICP exam in 2011 or are you considering becoming certified? This workshop will give you an overview of the AICP examination process. We will discuss the application, exam subject matter, NCAPA review session opportunities, testing environment, study techniques, and study resources. We will also discuss the code of ethics and what it means to be a member of AICP.

Presenters: Lauren Blackburn, NCAPA Professional Development Officer; Recent AICP Exam Participants (TBD)

2:45 pm to 3:00 pm BREAK

3:00 pm to 4:15 pm CONCURRENT SESSIONS (1.25 CM CREDITS EACH)

CARY'S VIRTUAL INTERACTIVE PLANNER (VIP) - FROM VISION TO LAUNCH (COLONIAL CAPITAL BALLROOM B)

Web-based tool designed to walk applicant's through the development application and review process.

Presenters: David Castranio, CRI Designs; Meredith Chandler, AICP, Town of Cary; Dan Matthis, AICP, Town of Cary; Gabrielle Tardive, CRI Designs

DEALING WITH DERELICT DEVELOPMENT – A HAUNTED LEGACY (BERNE ROOM)

This session is designed to give planners a new perspective on dealing with subdivisions in light of our current economy. The new face of lending, investing and developing is emerging and this workshop is designed to help planners accommodate opportunity and help their jurisdiction cope with the current realities. Focus will be given to working with the current project owner to get a beneficial project moving forward. Planners will be given insight into issues that could arise and create a negative outcome as well as strategies to get their arms around solutions.

Presenters: David Flowe, N-Focus; F. Richard Flowe, AICP, N-Focus; Gerald Green, AICP, N-Focus; Suzy Smoyer, AICP, N-Focus

TOOLS FOR ADDRESSING MODERN CHALLENGES IN DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS (TRYON ROOM A)

This session will help articulate the changes taking place in regulatory contexts across the nation as local governments deal with modern 21st century challenges like climate change, decreasing household size, aging of the population, declines in public health (due in part to lifestyles and the built environment), and calls for greater energy independence...all in the face of the deepest economic crisis (and declining revenues) of the last 100 years. The session will provide a variety of award-winning approaches to regulating development, fostering beneficial redevelopment, incorporating sustainability, and adapting development regulations for greater consistency with modern communication techniques.

Presenters: Paul D. Holt, III, AICP, City of Portsmouth, VA; Chad Meadows, Clarion Associates; Craig Richardson, Clarion Associates; Stephen Szemere, Clarion Associates
Almost overnight, an entirely new legal field has sprung up around sustainability issues. They include such actions as: initiatives at the state level involving executive orders establishing goals and initiatives for reducing green house gas emissions (GHGs), mandatory planning legislation requiring evaluation and implementation of land use practices to reduce VMTs and reduce GHGs, and litigation compelling local government plans and development codes to address GHG reduction; federal legislation and administrative actions under existing environmental laws that both encourage energy and water conservation, use of alternative energy sources, and reduction of GHGs; regional cap and trade agreements to reduce GHGs; and federal lawsuits initiated under old common law to require reduction of GHGs, and in other instances to limit the use of alternative wind energy systems because of their land use and environmental impacts. This session will discuss these recent developments and give tips, as appropriate, on new trends.

Presenter: Craig Richardson, J.D., Clarion Associates

NCAPA ANNUAL CHAPTER MEETING (TRYON ROOM A)
NCAPA President Rodger Lentz will preside. The meeting is open to all NCAPA members and provides a perfect opportunity to learn more and discuss what the officers and committees are accomplishing on behalf of the chapter. Please come if you are interested in becoming more involved in chapter affairs.

DIVERSITY NETWORKING MIXER
Join us for a business casual networking event sponsored by the NCAPA Diversity Committee on Christoph’s Riverfront Patio. Christoph’s is located inside the Hilton New Bern Riverfront. This event will feature light appetizers, music, and a business card exchange. Admission is $20. A portion of all ticket proceeds will go to the NCAPA Diversity Scholarship Program.

NCAPA “ON THE WATERFRONT” NETWORKING SOCIAL
Join fellow conference attendees outside on “The Deck” at the Hilton New Bern Riverfront. Enjoy music by local band TightEnd and networking with fellow planners out on the waterfront! Dinner and beverages will be available for purchase.

ECU PLANNING SOCIETY DINNER (DUTCH TREAT)
Plan to attend and meet the new ECU Planning Director, Jerry Wietz. Dinner will be at Captain Ratty’s Seafood & Steakhouse located at 202 Middle Street.

FARM TO FORK: WHAT WILL IT TAKE TO BUILD A LOCAL SUSTAINABLE FOOD ECONOMY IN NORTH CAROLINA (TRYON ROOM B)
Following up the Farm to Fork Summit in 2009 and the November 2008 NCAPA Newsletter lead article, learn what the Farm to Fork Initiative has accomplished and learn about the newly released action plan: “From Farm to Fork: A Guide to Building North Carolina’s Sustainable Local Food Economy”. The action plan is intended to show the groundswell of grassroots engagement and creativity surrounding food systems issues in North Carolina and to leverage this activity in support of new partnerships and focused statewide action. Go away learning what planners can do to support the local food economy in their jurisdictions. Presenters: Dr. Nancy Creamer, Center for Environmental Farming Systems; Jennifer Curtis, North Carolina Choices and Center for Environmental Farming Systems.
3:00 pm to 4:15 pm UNDERGRADUATE AND GRADUATE STUDENT PAPER COMPETITION (TRYON ROOM B)

Each year the student paper competition is held to recognize exceptional student research on planning-related topics. In this session, students can present their findings to an audience of professional planners and a panel of judges who will select one winner from the undergraduate group and an additional winner from the graduate student group. Each of the winners will receive a $500 cash award, a plaque bearing their name, and will be recognized at the Awards Luncheon. Judges: Nathaniel Austin, AICP; Denise Boswell, Ph.D.; Brian Byfield, AICP; Judy Francis, AICP; Bob Robbins, AICP.

4:15 pm to 4:30 pm BREAK - SPONSORED BY AMEC EARTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL

4:30 pm to 5:45 pm CONCURRENT SESSIONS (1.25 CM CREDITS EACH)

BROWNFIELDS OPPORTUNITIES FOR REDEVELOPMENT (TRYON ROOM A)
This session will look at New Bern and other North Carolina cities’ experience with the “Brownfields Assessment” and other EPA brownfields programs, plus the state’s brownfields program. This session will offer an overview of the federal and state programs and give examples of how they can be applied locally. Presenter: Mr. Harold Thurston, AMEC Earth and Environmental

HISTORIC PRESERVATION INITIATIVES (BERNE ROOM)
The session will feature two leading communities for Historic Preservation in the State of North Carolina. The City of New Bern and the City of Wilmington will provide an overview of the processes, challenges, and partnerships involved in managing historic preservation programs in their communities. The presenter from New Bern will discuss an innovative approach to assessing historically significant structures. This quantitative approach was developed in response to loss of significant historic fabric within the Downtown Historic District. Presenters from Wilmington will discuss the approach the City took to regulate height of structures along its historic waterfront. Presenters: Kaye Graybeal, City of Wilmington; Annette D. Stone, AICP, City of New Bern

THE NEIGHBORHOOD TRANSIT READINESS SCORECARD: METRICS FOR PEDESTRIAN-FRIENDLY AND TRANSIT-FRIENDLY NEIGHBORHOODS (COLONIAL CAPITAL BALLROOM B)
Understand how the 3 D’s - Density, Diversity and Design contribute to being transit and pedestrian friendly; identify types of data available to communities to measure the 3 D’s and how to create a system that combines these metrics to assess the urban qualities of a neighborhood. Presenters: Patrick McDonough, AICP, Triangle Transit; Jonathan Parker, PE, AICP, Triangle Transit

PROFESSIONAL INSIGHTS IN PLANNING: PURSUING CERTIFICATIONS (TRYON ROOM B)
The purpose of this session is to encourage planners to pursue certifications. The session involves a roundtable exchange on the different certifications available to planners and the benefits of attaining such certifications. Panelists will discuss AICP, LEED, and CZO. Presenters: Loray Averett, CZO, City of Greensboro; Lauren Blackburn, AICP, Town of Davidson; Shanelle Bullock, NC Department of Commerce; Bae-Won Koh, AIA, LEED, Innovative Design, Inc.

6:00 pm to 8:00 pm OPENING RECEPTION (NORTH CAROLINA HISTORY CENTER OF TRYON PALACE)
Join the host committee at the new North Carolina History Center as they welcome you to the City of New Bern! This spectacular venue is a contemporary museum and welcome center located in downtown New Bern. A trolley car will run from the convention center and the Hilton beginning at 5:30 pm. It will return from the History Center to the conference hotels and The Chelsea Restaurant beginning at 8 pm. The trolley car is free for Conference attendees.

8:00 pm to 10:00 pm YOUNG PLANNERS GROUP SOCIAL (THE CHELSEA RESTAURANT)
All Conference attendees are invited to join the Young Planners Group for an “after party” social at The Chelsea. The Chelsea is located at 335 Middle Street in downtown New Bern, just minutes away from the Hilton and other Conference hotels.
2:30 pm to 4:00 pm MOBILE WORKSHOP (1.5 CM CREDITS)
FEEL THE BERN WALKING TOUR (MEETS AT THE FRONT OF THE CONVENTION CENTER)
A walking tour of New Bern’s oldest historic district looking at examples of residential and commercial infill construction, waterfront development projects, historic restorations, streetscape improvements, and projects that required public/private partnerships. Tour Guides: Darden J. Eure, III, AIA, NCARB, Darden J. Eure, III and Associates, P.A.; Annette Stone, AICP, City of New Bern

2:30 pm to 5:30 pm MOBILE WORKSHOP (2 CM CREDITS)
PARDON OUR NOISE: IT’S THE SOUND OF FREEDOM (MEETS AT THE FRONT OF THE CONVENTION CENTER)
A mobile tour of Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point, one of the best all weather jet bases in the world and alternate emergency landing site for the space shuttle that launches out of Cape Canaveral, Florida. The air station and its associated support locations occupy more than 29,000 acres. Located within the municipal limits of Havelock, North Carolina, Cherry Point’s mission is to provide the highest quality aviation facilities, support, and services to promote the readiness, sustainment and quality of life for Marines, civilian Marines, family members and others associated with Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point. Tour Guides: Tom Braaten, Coastal Carolina Regional Airport; J. Scott Chase, AICP, City of Havelock; Tyler Harris, Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point; Steve Player, AICP, The Wooten Company

3:45 pm to 4:00 pm BREAK
4:00 pm to 5:15 pm CONCURRENT SESSION (1.25 CM CREDITS EACH)
ASSESSING LOCAL GOVERNMENT AUTHORITY IN THE WAKE OF RECENT DECISIONS REGARDING ADEQUATE PUBLIC FACILITIES ORDINANCES (APFO’s) (TRYON ROOM A)
This session is intended to provide professional planners and other local government officials in development-related positions with information regarding the legal authority of North Carolina local governments to adopt certain land development regulations, such as impact fees, adequate public facilities ordinances and inclusionary zoning ordinances, as articulated by recent state appellate court opinions. Presenters: Michael Birch, J.D., K&L Gates, LLP; Eric M. Braun, J.D., K&L Gates, LLP (retired); Stephen Sposato, AICP, EnSite

CASE STUDIES: MEASURING THE VALUE OF CONNECTIVITY (BERNE ROOM)
Case studies of Charlotte and Asheville, NC, Seattle, WA and Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates highlighting lessons learned and consideration for planners using Route Directness Index (RDI) in area/comprehensive plans, Transit-Oriented Development (TOD), pedestrian and bicycle plans and analyzing emergency service response. Presenters: Don Kostelec, AICP, Transpo Group; Matt Magnasco, PE, Charlotte Department of Transportation

CODE TURKEY: BUILDING A TOWN CENTER CODE FROM THE GROUND UP (COLONIAL CAPITAL BALLROOM C)
As small towns across North Carolina work to develop vibrant centers, a key task is adopting a development Code that supports this vision. This session will explore some of the latest code innovations and describe how to conduct a successful public process in the face of unexpected challenges. This public adoption process will help participants develop and implement more effective Town Center Codes. Presenters: Matt Goebel, AICP, Clarion Associates; Ben Hitchings, AICP, CZO, Town of Morrisville; Courtney Tanner, AICP, CZO, Town of Morrisville
8:00 pm ECU PLANNING SOCIETY PIRATE PARTY
1797 STEAMER BAR (LOCATED IN THE HARVEY MANSION), 221 S. FRONT STREET

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

8:00 am REGISTRATION TABLE OPENS (CONVENTION CENTER 1ST FLOOR)

8:00 am to 10:00 am BREAKFAST BREAK - SPONSORED BY BENCHMARK

8:00 am to 9:30 am LEGISLATIVE AND LEGAL UPDATE (COLONIAL CAPITAL BALLROOM B)
What was the General Assembly up to in 2010? How did the NCAPA Legislative Committee respond? What is going to happen in 2011?

Presenters: Richard Ducker, AICP, UNC-Chapel Hill; David Owen, J.D., UNC-Chapel Hill; Ken Bowers, AICP, City of Raleigh

9:30 am to 11:00 am OPENING PLENARY SESSION (COLONIAL CAPITAL BALLROOM B)
Opening Remarks - Rodger Lentz, AICP, NCAPA President
Welcome - Lee Wilson Bettis, Jr., City of New Bern Mayor
Special Appearance - Governor Tryon
Keynote Speaker - Gene A. Cantli, Jr., North Carolina Secretary of Transportation

11:00 am to 11:15 am BREAK - SPONSORED BY HOLLAND CONSULTING PLANNERS, INC.

11:15 am to 12:30 pm CONCURRENT SESSIONS (1.25 CM CREDITS EACH)

DEVELOPMENT REVIEW AND BEST PRACTICES BENCHMARKING (TRYON ROOM B)
Based on the School of Governments (Author David Ammons) report, “Development Review in Local Government: Benchmarking Best Practices”, this session will look at lessons learned in reviewing development review best practices around the country. The panel will then discuss how these lessons learned have been applied back in their jurisdictions in North Carolina. Session attendees will gain new ideas that they can bring back to begin their own improvements for the development review process.

Presenters: Dr. David Ammons, UNC-Chapel Hill; Steve Medlin, AICP, City of Durham; Margaret Pearson, City of Concord; Sharon Tuch, City of Asheville

FORM OR FLUFF: IMPLICATIONS OF FORM-BASED CODES FOR URBAN DEVELOPMENT (COLONIAL CAPITAL BALLROOM C)
A number of North Carolina municipalities have either augmented or replaced their conventional zoning regulations with form-based development regulations, and more municipalities are now considering whether to do so. Yet no research has been conducted to assess the validity of the claims made by proponents of form-based codes. This session will review the results of interviews with planners from nine (9) North Carolina municipalities concerning each of their experiences in administering a form-based code, and includes a panel discussion of the study results.

Presenters: Matthew Boyer, RAND Corporation; Richard Ducker, AICP, UNC Chapel Hill; Kris Krider, Town of Davidson; Preston Mitchell, City of Salisbury; Jack Simoneau, AICP, Town of Huntersville

SPRAWL REPAIR: RETROFITTING SUBURBIA THROUGH PLANNING (TRYON ROOM A)
Can we heal our sprawling communities through retrofit, repair and redevelopment? Find out at the Sprawl Retrofit presentation! The costs associated with suburban sprawl include: higher costs of public infrastructure and maintenance, physical healthcare costs associated with inactivity, and environmental damage, including climate change, to name a few. This session will include an overview of ideas in design, a review of the problem, and proposed regulations and implementation steps of sprawl retrofit to achieve healthier communities. The session will also include a presentation and analysis of the groundbreaking Urban Street Design Guidelines and local transit projects in Charlotte, North Carolina that are helping to create neighborhood approaches to sprawl repair. Finally, the presentation will examine built projects that have redeveloped and invigorated previously decaying suburban sprawl.

Presenters: Tom Low, Duany Plater-Zyberk & Company; Danny Pleasant, AICP CNU, City of Charlotte
LOW IMPACT DEVELOPMENT - A PRACTICAL APPROACH IN SOUTHEASTERN NORTH CAROLINA (BERNE ROOM)

In this panel session you will gain a better understanding of the use of LID techniques and obstacles associated with their implementation in Brunswick County, New Hanover County, and the City of Wilmington, and how these techniques differ in the coastal environment versus the piedmont and mountains. The panel will review the site-planning principles, practices, and site-specific design standards found in the LID Technical Manual adopted by all three jurisdictions and discuss how to facilitate these techniques as alternatives and voluntary options for developers to satisfy federal, state, and local storm-water requirements.

Presenters: Hunter Freeman, Withers & Ravenel; Lauren Kolodij, North Carolina Coastal Federation; Cameron Moore, AICP, BASE

12:45 pm to 2:15 pm NCAPA AWARDS LUNCHEON (COLONIAL CAPITAL BALLROOM A)

Karen Smith and Roger Waldon, Co-Chairs of the NCAPA Awards Committee, will present Chapter awards recognizing agencies and individuals that have completed outstanding plans, programs and projects, have excelled as planning students or have made notable contributions to the planning profession. Join us for lunch, an opportunity to see old friends and acquaintances, and a chance to congratulate our award winners.

2:30 pm to 3:45 pm CONCURRENT SESSIONS (1.25 CM CREDITS EACH)

ENCOURAGING SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT AT THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT LEVEL (TRYON ROOM A)

What is a planner’s role in being community leaders? Hear from APA President Elect Mitch Silver, APA Board Member Carol Rhea, NCAPA President Rodger Lentz, and NCAPA Networking Committee Chair Roger Waldon on their views not only from their roles in APA and NCAPA, but also as successful public and private sector planners. Leave the session with ideas on what planners can do to lead our communities toward positive futures and sharing your ideas on what APA and NCAPA can do to develop planning leaders.

Presenters: Rodger Lentz, AICP, City of Wilson; Carol Rhea, AICP, Rhea Consulting; Mitchell J. Silver, PP, AICP, City of Raleigh; Roger Waldon, FAICP, Clarion Associates

IS IT TIME FOR COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING LEGISLATION IN NORTH CAROLINA? (BERNE ROOM)

Our State has made incremental progress to encourage comprehensive planning; however, North Carolina has yet to take any official action to mandate Comprehensive Planning statewide. Learn about our State’s current efforts and how our neighbor South Carolina handles comprehensive planning, participating in a discussion whether or not North Carolina is ready for comprehensive planning legislation.

Presenters: Jason M. Epley, AICP, CPM, Benchmark CMR, Inc.; Phil Lindler, AICP, SCAPA President, Greenwood City/County, SC; Barry Nocks, Ph.D., AICP, Clemson University; David Owens, J.D., UNC-Chapel Hill; Anthony Starr, AICP, Henderson County

ATTRACTING DESIRABLE DEVELOPMENT IN A POST-RECESSON ECONOMY (TRYON ROOM B)

This session will focus on ways your small to medium-sized community can attract the type of development you desire in these uncertain economic times. In the current economic climate, developers can pick and choose projects, and they will not take on projects where they face a long approval process with uncertain results. Help stack the odds in your favor!

Presenter: Allison Platt, Allison Platt and Associates