PERIODICALS FOR PLANNING AGENCIES

There are an enormous number of periodicals that regularly, or frequently, contain articles and information of interest to those in the planning field. The 175 or more regularly received in the ASPO office are only a partial listing of potential material. This report provides a basic reference list of 37 periodicals, chosen on the basis of the amount of material contributing to planning theory and practice, or supplying important background information on current ideas and developments in closely related fields.

There are a number of very excellent periodicals issued by local and state planning agencies and by private associations, but they are omitted from the list because, for the most part, they cover primarily local issues and developments and are not intended for national circulation. Also, to keep the list within bounds, it was necessary to eliminate a number of periodicals that deal with very specialized urban problems or techniques.

The periodicals are listed in alphabetical order. Subscription prices quoted for the professional journals are rates for non-members. All inquiries should be directed to the publishers listed.

THE AMERICAN CITY. Of particular interest is the regular section on planning and zoning court decisions edited by Norman Williams, Jr. This journal includes news briefs and short articles on municipal management and engineering subjects, many written by municipal officials and employees; occasional special studies by the editors; a conference calendar; and a book section.


AMERICAN SOCIOLOGICAL REVIEW. Each issue deals with a particular theme. Sometimes only one or two articles, sometimes several, are of direct interest to planners and contribute to planning theory.

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Annals of the Association of American Geographers. Occasional articles deal directly with urban analysis; others are indirectly related.


The Appraisal Journal. Usually contains two or three well-written articles of special interest to planners, as well as articles on real estate practice, law, and economics that vary from discussion of general problems to case studies on real estate development. There are also reports on trends and book reviews.

Published since 1932. Quarterly. Annual subscription, $7.00. Single copies, $2.50. American Institute of Real Estate Appraisers, 36 South Wabash, Chicago, Ill. 60603.

Architectural Record. Material specifically directed to problems of urban design and land planning is frequently included in addition to articles on architecture and specific projects.


Architectural Review. This British architectural publication devotes a great deal of space to civic design. Outrage and Counterattack, the famous books attacking civic ugliness, originated in this magazine and are continued, with excellent illustrations, as a regular department each month.


Community Planning Review. The journal of the Community Planning Association of Canada, which provides excellent essays, informational material on Canadian urban and rural developments, and book reviews and announcements of new publications. It includes announcements of job openings. Text and title in both English and French.

ECONOMIC GEOGRAPHY. About half of the descriptive studies and articles are directly concerned with urban affairs and in most issues this material is of interest to planners. Book reviews are given.


EKISTICS. Broad international coverage, especially for underdeveloped countries, is provided in condensations, reviews and translations of published technical material on urban and rural planning and housing and on "ekistics" (the science of human settlements), the planning philosophy of publisher Constantinos Doxiadis. There are also book reviews.


FLORIDA PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT. The thoughtful analyses of planning and zoning policy and techniques and the book reviews, written in the lively style of publisher Frederick Bair, Jr., have given this periodical an international circulation.

Published since 1949. Illustrated. Monthly. Annual subscription, $5.00. Single copies, $1.00. P. O. Box 828, Auburndale, Fla. 33823.

THE GEOGRAPHICAL REVIEW. Especially relevant are the book reviews. Articles on urban geography appear in most issues.


HABITAT. Essays and articles emphasizing Canadian planning, housing, and urban renewal are well written and aimed at both laymen and professionals. Some articles are in French.


HISTORIC PRESERVATION. This is the major source of information on historic buildings and sites, legislation, and the activities of public and private groups concerned with preservation. It includes reprints and condensations of articles published elsewhere as well as original material and book reviews.
Published since 1940. Illustrated. Bi-monthly. Annual subscription to libraries only, $3.00; or through membership. National Trust for Historic Preservation, 815 17th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20006.

HOUSE AND HOME. Although primarily devoted to design, construction, and technological developments in home building, the feature stories on land development problems and news section are frequently of value to planners.


JOURNAL OF THE AIR POLLUTION CONTROL ASSOCIATION. Technical articles on methods and analyses of pollution abatement, news and reports, provide a good reference source.

Published since 1951. Illustrated. Monthly. Annual subscription, $15.00. Air Pollution Control Association, 4400 Fifth Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa. 15213.

JOURNAL OF THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS. Excellent material -- probably the best -- on all aspects of urban design is included in this handsome, well-written journal. It also contains essays and news on urbanism.


JOURNAL OF THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF PLANNERS. Outstanding for publication of articles on planning theory and for critical book reviews, it also includes good essays on planning practices and specific problems, and a list of current periodical literature.


JOURNAL OF HOUSING. This is the major source of information on local programs, federal legislation, and HHFA administrative policy in the field of housing, urban redevelopment, and urban renewal. It includes book reviews and job announcements.

Published since 1944. Illustrated. 11 issues per year. Annual subscription, $6.00. Single copies, $2.00. National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials, 1413 K Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20005.
JOURNAL OF REGIONAL SCIENCE. Highly technical research articles on the structure, function, and operation of regions, from an economic, social and political standpoint are presented with extensive references. It includes book reviews.

Two or more issues per year. Annual subscription, $5.00. Regional Science Research Institute, G.P.O. Box 8776, Philadelphia, Pa. 15201.

JOURNAL OF THE TOWN PLANNING INSTITUTE (BRITAIN). Well prepared articles on planning theory and practice are published, plus commentary, book reviews, and announcements of job openings.

Published since 1914. 10 issues per year. Annual subscription, about $4.50. Town Planning Institute, 18 Ashley Place, Victoria, London, S.W. 1, England.

LAND ECONOMICS. This provides a wide variety of scholarly articles on the land economics of planning, housing, and public utilities. Every issue contains subject matter pertinent to planning and good references.

Published since 1925. Quarterly, Annual subscription, $8.00. University of Wisconsin, Sterling Hall, Madison, Wis. 53706.

LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE. The journal of the landscape architect profession includes feature articles on land planning projects ranging from parks and golf courses to university campuses and renewal sites, and on urban aesthetics.

Published since 1910. Illustrated. Quarterly. Annual subscription, $5.00. Single copies, $2.00. Circulation Manager, 344 South Peterson Avenue, Louisville, Ky. 40206.

NATION'S CITIES. Municipal problems and activities and news briefs of general interest to public officials are reported in this enlarged and renamed magazine of the American Municipal Association.


PLAN CANADA. A publication of the professional planners, which deals with planning practice and theory and includes news items, editorials, and book reviews.

Illustrated. Issued irregularly. Single copies for non-members, $2.50. Town Planning Institute of Canada, 11 Adelaide Street West, Toronto 1, Ontario, Canada
PLANNING AND CIVIC COMMENT. This is a source of information on parks, conservation, beautification, and on the activities of civic groups in these fields and in planning.


PROGRESSIVE ARCHITECTURE. Occasional planning articles are included, plus all aspects of architecture, and book reviews.


PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION REVIEW. Theory and practice of public administration at all levels of government are covered, and some of the material is of direct interest to planners.


PUBLIC MANAGEMENT. A variety of urban problems and practices is covered in articles, news briefs, and book notes, primarily from a practical rather than theoretical point of view.


RECENT PUBLICATIONS ON GOVERNMENTAL PROBLEMS. This is a listing of new materials received by the Thirteen-Thirteen Joint Reference Library from its member organizations, and of current articles from magazines and professional journals. Subjects include the fields of planning, housing and urban renewal, city management, public works, finance, taxation, assessing, welfare, personnel, public administration.

Published since 1933. Weekly. Annual subscription, $10.00. Joint Reference Library, 1313 East 60th Street, Chicago, Ill. 60637.

RECREATION. Provides non-technical coverage of parks and recreation facilities and programming, news, views, book reviews, and information on job openings.
RESEARCH DIGEST. The well edited abstracts of urban and regional research studies sponsored by state and federal agencies, universities, and foundations provide information on projects recently initiated, projects underway on which significant progress or findings can be reported, and projects recently completed. Sponsored by the Urban Planning Research Group.

Semi-annually. $4.00 to individuals; $6.00 to organizations. Bureau of Community Planning, University of Illinois, 1202 West California Avenue, Urbana, Ill.

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING. This spirited British planning magazine edited by Sir Frederick Osborn provides short articles, news, commentary, quotes, and book reviews that deserve to be widely read.


THE TOWN PLANNING REVIEW. Published by the Department of Civic Design at the University of Liverpool, this covers both general research and analyses and specific projects. Includes an editorial, several book reviews, and a books received column.


TRAFFIC ENGINEERING. Articles of a technical or semi-technical character on traffic engineering and related subjects are frequently of interest to planners.


TRAFFIC QUARTERLY. Documented articles on theories and practices in urban traffic problems, primarily those associated with highways and rapid transit, provide a major source of such information.

TRANS-ACTION. A promising new periodical that intends to publicize practical research in sociology, psychology, political science, economics, and anthropology that might otherwise be noted only by specialists. Articles are nontechnical and written by experts in the various fields. A publication of the Community Leadership Project of Washington University.

Published since 1963. Bi-monthly. Annual subscription, $3.50. Single copies, 75 cents. Circulation Department, Trans-action, Box 43, Washington University, St. Louis, Mo. 63130.

ZONING DIGEST. The national periodical concerned exclusively with zoning law. Summarizes every nationally reported zoning decision of state and federal appellate courts. Carries articles on special zoning problems.

Published since 1949. 11 issues per year. Annual subscription $100. American Society of Planning Officials, 1313 East 60th Street, Chicago, Ill. 60637