

2023 Report of the Planning Commission



Approved February 28, 2024

In accordance with the Michigan Planning Enabling Act, Public Act 33 of 2008, the City of Clio’s Planning Commission has prepared this annual report for the calendar year ending December 31, 2023 for submission to the City Commission.

PLANNING COMMISSION

The Planning Commission was created pursuant to the Michigan Planning Enabling Act, Public Act 33, of 2008; having formerly been established under the Municipal Planning Act, Public Act 285 of 1931. It also continues to exercise the powers and perform the duties of the City’s Zoning Commission pursuant to the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act, Public Act 110, of 2006. The Planning Commission is comprised of seven members appointed by the Mayor, with the approval of a majority vote of the City Commission, to staggered terms of three years.

Member	Expiration of Term
Bonnie Fureigh	9/30/24
Doug Vance**	9/30/24
Vacant	9/30/25
Edward Leininger	9/30/25
Brenda Lee Taylor	9/30/25
Jan Barlow	9/30/26
Carol Waner,* Chair	9/30/26

* Qualified elector of another local unit of government.
 ** Ex officio member.

SPARK GRANT AWARD

The City of Clio was awarded a \$200,000 Department of Natural Resources Spark Grant for improvements to the City’s skatepark.



Butler Street Project

The Butler Street project was a \$1.9 million investment in the City's infrastructure to include a new sanitary sewer main running the length of Butler Street, a new water main from Cherry Street to North Mill Street, new storm drains, new sidewalks and a new asphalt street surface financed, in part, with proceeds of a \$500,000 Genesee County American Rescue Plan Act Local Funding program award.



SCHEDULE AND ATTENDANCE

The Planning Commission met 11 times during the past calendar year with members attaining an aggregate attendance rate of 79%, as follows:

Member	3/1	3/22	4/26	5/24	6/28	7/12	7/26	8/30	9/27	10/25	11/15
Bonnie Fureigh			X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X
Doug Vance	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Bonnie Bare	X	X	X			X	X	Vacant			
Edward Leininger	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Brenda Lee Taylor	X	X	X	X	X			X	X	X	X
Jan Barlow		X		X	X	X	X			X	
Carol Waner, Chair	X	X	X	X			X	X	X	X	X
X – attended.											

TRAINING

Members of the Planning Commission have been afforded opportunities for professional development and training.

In addition, the Planning Commission and its members are members of the American Planning Association Michigan Chapter.



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CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATIONS

- 500 South Mill Street The Planning Commission approved a *City of Clio Conditional Use Permit Application* for a religious institution and related office subject to the approval of a site plan and other conditions following a June 28, 2023 public hearing.
A site plan approval was pending as of December 31, 2023.
- 404 South Mill Street The Planning Commission approved a *City of Clio Conditional Use Permit Application* for the sale of new vehicles and used vehicles and trailers subject to the approval of a site plan and other conditions following a May 24, 2023 public hearing.
A site plan received contingent approval on July 12, 2023.

ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

The Planning Commission recommended an amendment to the City of Clio zoning ordinance to provide for the regulation of commercial medical marijuana facilities as a conditional use and to amend requirements for off-street parking and loading/unloading following a September 27, 2023 public hearing.

This recommendation was approved by the City Commission during its November 6, 2023 meeting.

BY-LAWS

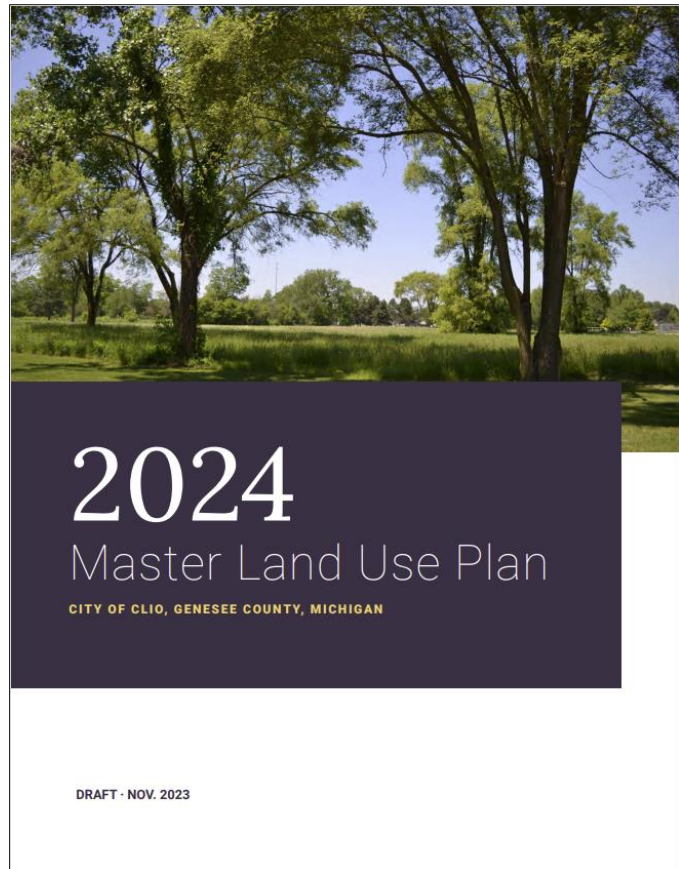
The Planning Commission accepted a revision of its bylaws on November 15, 2023.

COMMITTEE

A committee was created on November 15, 2023 to consider the regulation of commercial recreational marijuana. This committee was created in response to the City Commission's October 2, 2023 motion "to direct the Planning Commission to look at recreational marijuana with an overall emphasis on sales."

MASTER PLAN UPDATE

The Planning Commission continued its work with McKenna throughout the year to update the City's master plan.



REDEVELOPMENT READY COMMUNITIES

The Planning Commission continued taking steps for the City to become a Redevelopment Ready Communities – Essentials Community (Michigan Economic Development Corporations) with the assistance of McKenna.

During their May 25, 2022 meeting, the Planning Commission recommended *A Resolution Accepting Recommendations of the RRC Baseline Report and Authorizing Staff to Proceed with Implementing Recommendations*. This recommendation was approved by the City Commission during their June 6, 2022 meeting.

This work will continue into the next year.



VARIANCES

A City of Clio Zoning Board of Appeals was created, to exercise the powers and perform the duties prescribed to it in the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act, Public Act 110, of 2006, having formerly been established under the City and Village Zoning Act, Public Act 207 of 1921. The Commission is comprised of five members appointed by majority vote of the City Commission, to staggered terms of three years so that not more than two terms shall come up for reappointment per year.

Member	Expiration of Term
Carl Thompson	9/30/24
D.J. Williams**	9/30/24
Terry Marshall	9/30/25
Vacant	9/30/25
Jan Barlow	9/30/26

** Ex officio member.

ATTENDANCE

The Zoning Board of Appeals did not meet during the past calendar year.

TRAINING

Members of the Zoning Board of Appeals have been afforded opportunities for professional development and training.