Other Duties As Assigned:
The Stuff We Didn’t Learn in Planning School

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"I understand your frustration."

"THIS IS FINE."

Affordable Housing

The Out-of-Left Field Question from Council

Local Officials

Social Equity

That One Architect

Climate Change

Permitting Software

A Global Pandemic

Deadlines

Sustainability
Planner-ese: The Language of Acronyms & Saying Things Without Saying Them

Sustainability Wins Award for "Jargoniest Jargon"

Choosing between “multifamily” and “apartment” to use in a public presentation

- FRESH MIDDLE-GROUND
  ALTERNATIVES BETWEEN NIMBY AND YIMBY
  by MICHAEL WARD and DAVID ROSEW

- MIMBY – Maybe In My Back Yard
- MINDY – Maybe In the Neighborhood Down Yonder [gestures that way]
- SIMBA – Suitable In My Back Alley
- TAFSA – Try A Few Streets Away
- POOFY – Possibly On Our Front Yard
- PONY – Perhaps Our Neighbor’s Yard
- IGOOFAB – I Guess On Our Deck For A Bit
- ARBYS – Around the Rogers’ Backyard Shed
The Planning Poker Face

PLANNERS GETTING READY FOR PLANNING COMMISSION BE LIKE

Me, after every single public presentation ever.

And scene.
Mediation & Conflict Resolution

Survey
You are ruining our lives and our land
You do such a horrible job you guys should be ashamed of yourselves!

Anyone: “how was your day?”
Planners:
Jack of All Trades, Unexpected Master of at Least One

4 Federal Shot-Clock
The most boring game of basketball you will ever play.

Reading plan notes on a scanned permit set from the 70's

AND THIS IS HOW WE CALCULATE HOW MUCH SIGNAGE YOU CAN HAVE
ANY QUESTIONS?
The More You Know:
Linguistics, IT Support, Negotiation & Persuasive Speaking

*ZONING CHANGE REQUEST GETS DENIED*
APPLICANT: NOW WHAT?
PLANNER:

YEAH, IF YOU COULD JUST TAKE MY SURVEY
THAT'D BE GREAT

How many planners does it take to change a lightbulb?
ZERO, but they formed a committee comprised of stakeholders who may have an interest in how the lightbulb gets changed

BOLDLY GOING TO A NEW PERMIT SYSTEM

They're all terrible, but you have them
THANKS!

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