

Laura Waller

SENIOR PLANNER

AICP Certified Planner with over five years of Development Planning work experience and two years of study on transportation and parking infrastructure in the City of Sugar Land as part of a master's degree program. Variety of work including Project Management contractor for the Federal Railroad Administration, volunteer planning work for community of less than 300, and full-time employment for a community of over 130,000. Member of the Texas APA Chapter and experience presenting to other Planners, Elected Officials, and to the Public.

EXPERIENCE

PLANNER/PROJECT MANAGER TRANSYSTEMS

Dec 2024 – Mar 2025

- Managed 15-20 grant projects as a Contract Project Manager for Federal Railroad Administration
 - Lead meetings and produced action items for railroad construction projects receiving federal grant money
 - Analyzed applications, contracts, and deliverables for each project
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SENIOR PLANNER CITY OF SUGAR LAND

May 2019 – Dec 2024

- Streamlined permit applications, trained 40+ staff and implemented new online plan & permit processing system
 - Managed Zoning & Planning projects
 - Hosted public hearings and Council, Commission, and Board presentations
 - Trained & mentored multiple planners simultaneously
 - Crafted zoning and subdivision ordinance amendments, including research, hearings, and final implementation
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VOLUNTEER PLANNER CITY OF SANDY POINT

Jan 2020 - PRESENT

City of Sandy Point, Texas resident where I volunteer as an unpaid planner for Zoning Updates, Subdivision Regulation Amendments, and Long-Range Planning guidance for development in a small community whose goal is to maintain the existing rural focus.

OBJECTIVE

Passionate city planner—with a strong background in zoning, infrastructure, and implementation—seeking to contribute expertise on responsible and sustainable development for a growing, tight-knit community.

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EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON
MIPM, Infrastructure Planning & Management, 2022

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
BS, Urban & Regional Planning, 2018

SKILLS

- Strong Presentation & Oral Communication
- Technical Writing and Research
- GIS (ArcMap) Competency
- Bluebeam, Microsoft Office, and Enterprise Permitting (Tyler Tech) Proficiency