# **PBCE Department Organization & Staffing**

#### February 13, 2018 Item 3.5



# It's Time to Address 3 Root Problems

**#1 Planning the City**— Insufficient mgmt. and staff capacity in "Citywide Planning" group, given scale of city and planned growth

**#2 Expediting Projects**— Insufficient alignment of services, staff capacity, and timeline across all departments involved in entitlement review

**#3 Sustaining Leadership**— Without shoring up current PBCE structure and support, next PBCE Director cannot be successful meeting expectations



#### #1 "Planning the City": What Are We Talking About?

- General Plan (reviews, amendments, implementation)
- Urban Village planning and implementation
- Area Plans and Policies (e.g., North San Jose)
- Zoning Code Updates
- Ordinance Updates
- Urban Design Guidelines
- Development Finance Policy
- Historic Preservation
- GIS/Data Analytic Information
- Regional Policy



# The Situation Today: Evidence of the Problem



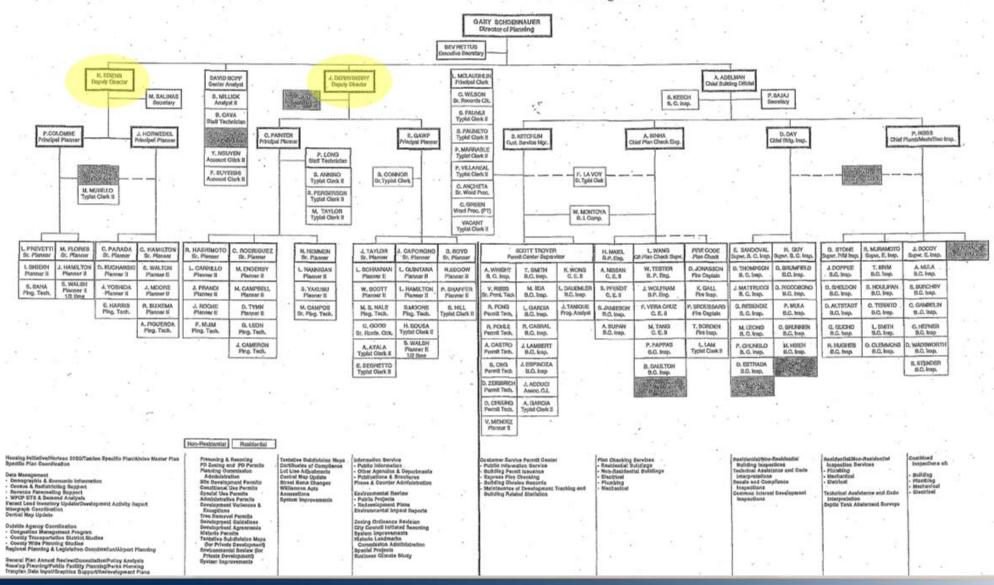
# Back in the Day....



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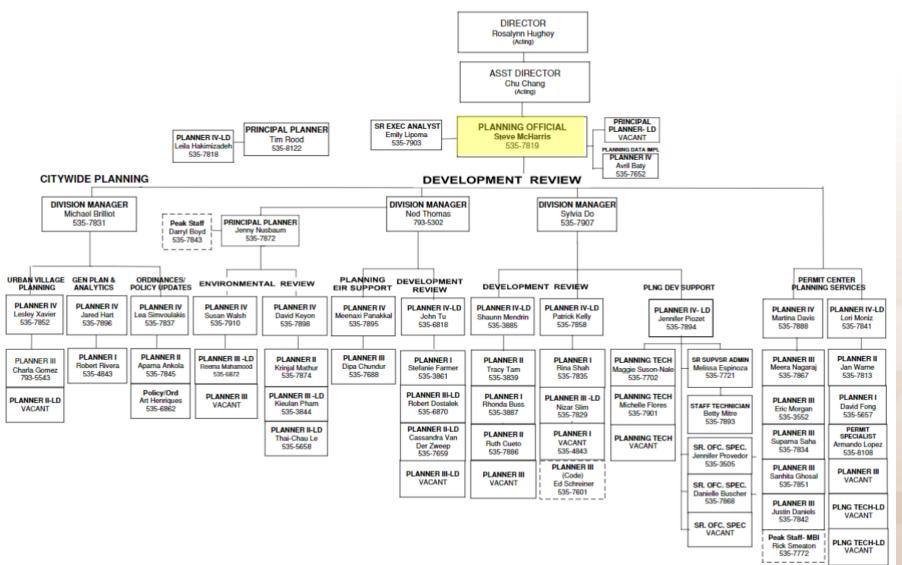


Internal Organization and Functions





#### PLANNING DIVISION CURRENT ORG CHART





# Distribution of Staff by Division

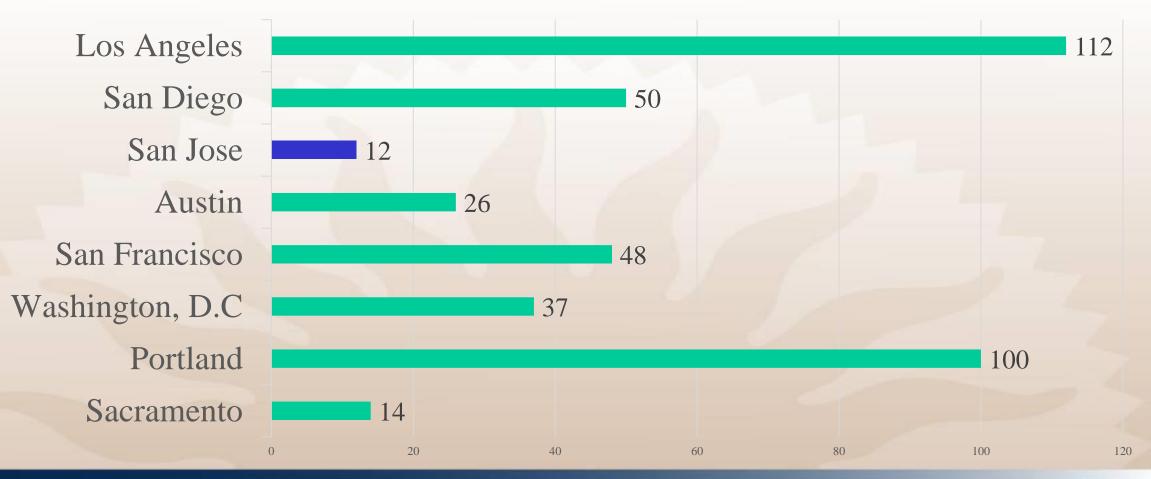


#### **Majority of Department Head Attention Pulled to Planning Division**



# We Lag Big City Peers, by Far

San Jose Citywide Planning Staff vs. Other Cities

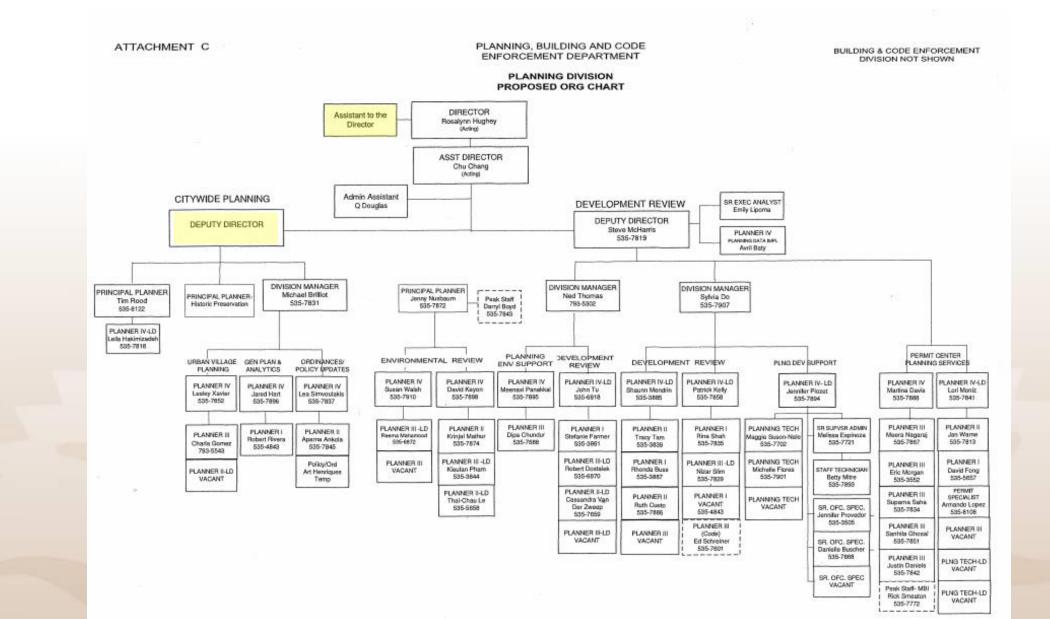




## Strategy #1: Add Deputy Director-Citywide Planning and Assistant to the Director

- Add back "Deputy Director: Citywide Planning"
- Add "Assistant to the Director"







#### Strategy #2: Explore General Plan Maintenance Fee to Stabilize & Grow Citywide Planning

- Take holistic approach, commit to deliverables
- Stabilize "temporary" Planner positions (4)
- Add new Planner positions

Station Area Planner Housing Planner Sustainability Planner

Area Planner: North San Jose Policy/Ordinance Planners Data/GIS Planner



## Strategy #3: Make Development Services an Enterprise Priority

- Deputy City Manager with oversight responsibility for Development Services
- Three roles:
  - Drive process improvement and capacity-building effort that results in better aligned service offerings and processing timelines across departments
  - **Drive major projects to finish line** by resolving impediments and issues across departments
  - Instill "champion the customer, can-do, timely action" culture
- Set up and track metrics to measure success of improvements
- A Process Expeditor and a Project Expeditor



### Next Steps

- 1. PBCE Director Interviews and Recommendation
- 2. Deputy Director & Assistant to Director Start Recruitment
- 3. GP Maintenance Fee Study, Propose through FY 2018-2019 Budget Process
- 4. Deputy City Manager/Development Services Start Recruitment

