

APA Minnesota/MACPZA Joint Initiative on Planning Enabling Law Reform

Outline of Action Steps

I. Organize, research, and begin discussion

A. Prepare a joint APA MN/MACPZA statement of purpose and need for planning enabling law reform

B. Form an official joint APA MN/MACPZA study committee

C. Conduct the Planner's Day at the Capitol program with an open discussion on planning enabling law reform

D. Conduct initial research and pull together white papers and other information

II. Solicit input from stakeholders

A. Kick off planning enabling law reform at statewide conferences and other events

B. Invite key stakeholders (planning community, local government, state officials, business and citizen groups, etc.) and conduct stakeholder input sessions statewide

C. Evaluate input and make a determination whether to seek enabling law reform

III. Draft elements of enabling law reform

A. Organize drafting committee: APA Minnesota, MACPZA, LMC, MAT, CGMC

B. Complete the APA MN/MACPZA white paper including state planning enabling law reform outline/elements

IV. Identify a champion(s)/sponsor(s) for planning enabling reform and work for bill introduction

A. Assemble non-partisan bill sponsorship

B. Work for bill introduction

V. Work for passage of reform bill

A. Provide information to legislators on the importance and merits of the proposed legislation

B. Testify at committee hearings