

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 60

Providing for Delegation of Authority
to
The State Planning Agency

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STATE OF MINNESOTA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE
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Arlen J. Erskell
Secretary of State

I, Wendell R. Anderson, Governor of the State of Minnesota, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and applicable statutes, hereby issue this Executive Order:

WHEREAS, the state will benefit from a coordinated approach to the development and effective deployment of its resources; and

WHEREAS, it is important that the state prepare long range plans for the orderly growth and development of the state; and

WHEREAS, it is important the executive branch utilize effective planning and policy analysis techniques for effective decision making; and

WHEREAS, there is a need for an information base for planning and coordination; and

WHEREAS, there exists a need to improve the capabilities of state departments, regional commissions and local governments to undertake effective planning responsibilities;

NOW, THEREFORE, I order that, in accordance with the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 1971, Section 4.11, Subdivision 6, the following authority and responsibility, relative to the conduct of the Minnesota state planning program, be assigned to the State Planning Agency:

1. The Agency shall have responsibility for applying for, receiving and expending funds available for state planning purposes pursuant to provisions of Minnesota Statutes 1971, Section 4.13, and any other state law or appropriation making moneys available for state planning purposes.
2. The Agency shall have responsibility for organization, staffing and letting of contracts of the State Planning Agency, pursuant to provisions of Minnesota Statutes 1971, Section 4.11, Subdivision 3 and Subdivision 4.
3. The Agency shall prepare, for review by the Governor, comprehensive, long range recommendations for the

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orderly and coordinated growth of the state as outlined in Minnesota Statutes 1971, Section 4.12, Subdivision 1.

4. The Agency shall review current programming and future planning of all state departments and agencies, and shall report on or before January 15 of each odd numbered year, to the Legislature, reviewing the state planning program. The Agency shall, in order to fulfill this responsibility, require each state department and agency having planning programs, to regularly file copies with State Planning Agency for review.
5. The State Planning Agency shall make available to the legislature, or any authorized committee or commission thereof, information concerning statewide development plans and basic research from which such plans have been developed.
6. The State Planning Agency shall act as the coordinating agency for the planning activities of all state departments and agencies and local levels of government.
7. The State Planning Agency shall review all plans filed with the federal government by state departments and agencies pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 16.165, or any other appropriate law. The Commissioner of Administration shall furnish the State Planning Officer the information required to fulfill this task.
8. There shall be created within the State Planning Agency an Office of Local and Urban Affairs which shall:
 - (a) Undertake to provide a full spectrum of technical assistance and other aids to regional development commissions established pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 462.381 through Section 462.41.
 - (b) Inform local government units about federal programs of social or economic aid or assistance for which they are eligible, together with the criteria, standards and conditions upon which such aid is based.
 - (c) Appear before the Municipal Commission, when requested by the Commission, to present studies and data regarding any annexation, incorporation, or detachment proceedings pending before the Commission.
 - (d) Undertake studies to obtain information and data on urban and rural needs, assistance programs and activities and provide technical assistance and advice to local and regional governments in the solution of such problems.

- (e) Apply for, receive and expend funds available from federal sources, or from other sources, for the purposes of carrying out the duties, responsibilities of the Office of Local and Urban Affairs.
9. Provided that this delegation shall not include those powers and duties imposed on the State Planning Officer pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 1971, Section 4.11, Subdivision 5, and provided that all responsibility and authority imposed upon the State Planning Director pursuant to this delegation, shall be exercised within such policy framework, directives, and instructions as may be issued by me as Governor and State Planning Officer.
 10. The State Planning Agency is designated as the responsible agency to provide staff and other administrative and technical assistance to the Minnesota Environmental Quality Council, established pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 1973, Chapter 342. Additional responsibilities have been assigned to the Environmental Quality Council by the following Chapters, Minnesota Statutes, 1973: Chapter 412 (Environmental Policy Act); Chapter 591, (Power Plant Siting Act); Chapter 413, (Subdivided Land Sales Practice Act); Chapter 752, (Critical Areas Act); Chapter 748 (Comprehensive Recycling Act); and Chapter 558 (Minnesota Environmental Education Council).
 11. I further designate the State Planning Agency as the responsible agency to provide for staff and other administrative or technical assistance to the following organizations:
 - (a) The Commission on Minnesota's Future
 - (b) Rural Development Council
 - (c) Capital Area Architectural and Planning Commission
 - (d) Interdepartmental Transportation Task Force, established by Minnesota Statutes, Section 4.20.
 - (e) Council of Economic Advisers.
 12. The State Planning Agency shall act as the responsible agency to insure effective and coordinated Federal-State relationships. Pursuant to Bureau of the Budget Circulars A-95 and A-98, I hereby designate the State Planning Agency as the State Clearinghouse and the State Information Reception Agency. It shall be the responsibility of the State Planning Agency to review and to insure comments on all applications for federal grant-in-aid covered by these circulars.

13. Pursuant to the authority of Minnesota Statutes 1971, Section 4.18, the Minnesota State Planning Agency is responsible for recommending policies relating to the location of any new buildings proposed by the state or any of its departments or agencies.
14. Further, there is established the Comprehensive Health Planning Advisory Council, whose responsibility will be to advise the State Planning Agency on the development and implementation of comprehensive health planning in Minnesota. Further, I designate this Council as the State Advisory Board for the health aspect of the Economic Stabilization Program.
15. Further, pursuant to Public Law 92-603, Section 1122, I designate the State Planning Agency as the authority to prepare and submit to the Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare, findings and recommendations on capital expenditures for health care facilities in the state.

In addition, the State Planning Agency shall perform such additional tasks and accept such further responsibilities as I, the Governor and State Planning Officer, shall subsequently determine.

In the performance of these responsibilities, the State Planning Agency shall adhere to the following basic principles:

1. The ever-changing demands of society require the development of a continuing process of systematic statewide planning rather than the production of a static state plan.
2. State planning must relate to current, as well as future issues, and must be closely tied to the management, budgetary and legislative processes of state government. The State Planning Agency must develop information and policy recommendations for the Governor and the Legislature. However, this is not a substitute for the policy development responsibilities of state departments. The State Planning Agency must work through state departments as much as possible, assisting and guiding their planning efforts, intervening only when interdepartmental coordination is necessary.
3. The State Planning Agency will act as the base for interdepartmental planning when the scope of individual departmental responsibilities is not broad enough to accomplish needed functional planning.

4. The State Planning Agency must provide the basic framework for data, projections and assumptions regarding the nature and direction of state development. This framework must be relevant to the future need for services provided by state government, other public agencies, and private organizations in the state.


All state departments and agencies shall cooperate with the State Planning Agency in the exercise of the powers and duties conferred upon that agency by the provisions of this Executive Order. Such departments and agencies shall also furnish to the State Planning Agency such information, data and reports as the Agency may from time to time request.

This Order shall be effective on July , 1973.

11th IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand on this day of July, 1973.


WENDELL R. ANDERSON

Filed according to law


Arlen I. Erdahl
Secretary of State