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Experience

Mr. Plonczynski has 40 years experience in the community development, planning and zoning fields. Thirty of these years in the role of the appointed Zoning Officer. Having served in both county and municipal government over his career, he has been involved in numerous zoning, subdivision and commercial project plan reviews, Tax Increment Financing (TIF) projects related to the development of industrial parks and mixed-use residential/commercial transit-oriented development (TOD) projects. He has prepared for and testified as a qualified expert witness in numerous zoning and code enforcement cases. His responsibilities and activities in leadership positions include:

- Management of a ten-member community development and planning department.
- Oversight and processing of zoning, community and economic development projects.
- Oversight of Building and Code enforcement.
- Implementation of GIS data systems.
- Liaison on community and economic development issues between the County and its municipal levels of government.
- Preparation of the Kane County Overall Economic Development Program.
- Municipal government assistance with grant proposals and program administration.
- Implementation of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Programs, including coordination and supervision of staff and inspectors, preparation of program guidelines and procedures.
- Preparation of Kane County Comprehensive Land Use Plan studies and plan elements.
- Fox River recreational corridor planning and intergovernmental coordination among municipalities along the Fox River.
- Preparation of the Kane County Economic Development Program.

<p>Education</p>	<p>B.S. B. S. in Geography Northern Illinois University</p> <p>M.S. Urban Economic Geography Northern Illinois University</p>
<p>Professional Affiliations</p>	<p>American Institute of Certified Planners</p> <p>American Planning Association, Chicago Metro Section</p> <p>American Planning Association Mentor Program</p> <p>Kane County Zoning Board of Appeals</p>
<p>Leadership, Lectures & Speaking Engagements</p>	<p>Panelist/Speaker at IL-APA events</p> <p>Panelist/Speaker at IL-APA CMS events</p>
<p>Work Experience</p>	<p>Director of Community Development - Village of Bartlett (8/1992 to 9/2018)</p> <p>Director, Building and Zoning Division - Kane County Development Department (5/1987 to 8/1992)</p> <p>Administrator, Community/Economic Development Program - Kane County Development Department - Planning Division (1/1984 to 4/1987)</p> <p>Administrator, Community Development Block Grant - Kane County Development Department - Planning Division (6/1981 to 1/1984)</p> <p>Assistant Planner - Kane County Urban Development Division (6/1979 to 6/1981)</p> <p>Assistant Planner - Kane County Development Department (9/1978 to 12/1979)</p>
<p>References</p>	<p>Upon Request</p>