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The Tallahassee-Leon County Planning Department, a division of PLACE, provides information, planning recommendations, and expertise to County and City governments, the Planning Commission, appointed boards and committees, residents and businesses in the areas of longrange land use, environmental, and transportation.

Planning is also responsible for developing and implementing special projects including small area plans for transportation mobility and sense of place projects utilizing innovative urban design standards.

Planning is led by Roxanne Manning, who was recently appointed the Planning Manager during the reorganization. Manning previously worked with the City of Tallahassee's Community and Economic Development department, specifically the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA).



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PLANNING TODAY FOR TOMORROW'S COMMUNITY

- Leon County is dedicated to promoting and encouraging transportation mobility within the community. During the past year, the Planning Department actively promoted transportation mobility:
 - » Launched BikeTallahassee.com. The website is a comprehensive source of information for bicyclists and pedestrians. It reflects all the existing publicly maintained bicycle and pedestrian facilities in the City and Leon County. It also features safety information and an interactive map of existing facilities.
 - Developed Needs Plan Map for Mobility Projects Website in coordination with Tallahassee-Leon County Geographic Information Systems (TLCGIS). The website details all planned multimodal projects within Leon County, including planned bicycle, pedestrian and shared-use path facilities. Using this interactive map, citizens are able to access information on planned, completed, and under construction multimodal projects within Leon County.
- The Department of PLACE is in the process of creating a Design Studio to support quality development. Design Studio staff designers will provide design consultations to individual property owners/developers and design professionals to assist them in creating development plans which are livable and achieve the community's vision. Designers will provide assistance by making recommendations on site layout, appropriate building types and details, and appropriate streetscape elements.

- In order to create and develop a sense place in Leon County, the Planning Department oversees the management and implementation of the Comprehensive Plan which focuses on long-range community planning. The State of Florida requires local governments to periodically assess the effectiveness of their Comprehensive Plan to adequately address changes in local conditions and changes in the State's policy. This year the Planning Department:
 - » Prepared and distributed the 2010 State of the Southern Strategy Report. The report reiterates the vision of the Southern Strategy, establishes baseline data, gives comparisons to the previous reports, and assesses progress made on the policy requirements in the Comprehensive Plan.



Aerial photo of Capital Cascades Park construction