Title: Milwaukee. City Plan Commission

Reference Code: Mss-3323

Inclusive Dates: 1911 – 1971

Quantity: 000.4 cu. ft.

Location: LM, Sh. 167

Abstract: The origins of the City Planning Commission are closely tied to the Milwaukee Metropolitan Park Commission, which was formally organized in 1907. The Park Commission's work quickly broadened to include all phases of city planning. Consequently, the Common Council adopted a resolution in November 1911 changing the name to the City Planning Commission. From 1939 to 1960, the group was known as the Board of Public Land Commissioners (see Mss-1789). The name was changed in 1961 to the present City Plan Commission (CPC). The CPC is Milwaukee's official planning body established under State statute and is responsible for master planning activities. The CPC advises the Common Council on a variety of land development issues including zoning map changes, revisions in the zoning ordinance, subdivision approvals, business improvement districts, street and alley vacations, public land disposition and acquisition, new streets and the approval of development plans in certain overlay districts.

Scope and Content: The records consist of meeting minutes, commission reports, and miscellaneous material, such as a proposal by Landscape architect Werner Hegemann regarding a Milwaukee Office Center as well as reports on 3rd Ward Land Use and Zoning (1973) and Milwaukee playgrounds (1961).

Access and Use: No restrictions

Language: English

Notes: Processed by Kevin Abing, October 2015.