

## Managing Growth: Economic and Natural Resource Issues

*(NOTE: The following course outline is based on previous offerings and is only intended to provide a general overview of the topics which are covered. The actual agenda used for the next offering of this course is subject to some variation.)*

### Course Length

6 hours

### Course Description

This course shows city leaders how they can exert meaningful control over how their community grows. Topics include economic and ecological considerations, protecting water quality, regulatory initiatives and regionalization. Promoting infill development and redevelopment, preserving land and capturing private investment are also covered.

### Objectives

Elected officials and staff understand:

- (a) That they CAN exert meaningful control over how their community grows;
- (b) How unmanaged growth impacts fiscal, natural and other resources;
- (c) The basics about several tools they can use to manage growth.

### Agenda

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| 8:30 - 8:40   | <b>Introduction and Overview:</b><br>Our Team and the Training Agenda<br><i>-Danny Bivins- UGA</i>   |
| 8:40 - 9:20   | <b>What is Quality Growth?</b><br>Defining Quality Growth<br>The guiding principles<br>What quality growth looks like.<br><i>-Chrissy Marlowe - DCA</i>    |
| 9:20 - 10:00  | <b>Land Use change in Georgia:</b> Impacts on Ecosystem Services<br>Using land conservation as tool for smart growth planning.<br><i>-Liz Kramer - UGA</i> |
| 10:00 - 10:15 | <b>Break</b>   |
| 10:15 - 11:00 | <b>Directing Patterns of Growth</b><br>Promoting redevelopment and infill  |

Capturing private investment  
*-Ron Sprinkle - Sprinkle Design Conservancy*

- 11:00 - 12:00      **The Economics of Growth, Sprawl and Land Use Decisions**  
Economic Considerations  
Ecological considerations,  
regulatory initiatives  
Regionalization  
*-Jeff Dorfman - UGA*
- 12:00 - 1:00      **Lunch**
- 1:00 - 1:45      **Elements of New Urbanism:**  
What goes around, comes around.... Fresh  
Determining Compatibility for New Structures in a Historic District  
*-Pratt Cassity - UGA*
- 1:45 - 3:00      **Hands-on Model Exercise**  
What have you learned about managing growth?  
*-Pratt Cassity and Danny Bivins - UGA*
- 3:00 - 3:15      **Questions and Answers**
- 3:15 - 3:30      **Wrap up and Evaluation**

Breaks as needed