

Biography

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John Ayer, Executive Board Chair

Gilford

John Ayer is the Chairman of the LRPC Executive Board and has been a Commissioner since 2014. He currently serves as the Director of Planning & Land Use for the Town of Gilford. A New Hampshire native, John grew up in Durham. He attended Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah where he earned BS and MPA degrees. John has been a professional planner since 1989 and a member of the American Institute of Certified Planners since 1994. He has held various planning and zoning enforcement positions working for the Town of Burlington in Massachusetts, the cities of Orem and Pleasant Grove in Utah, and with the EsNet Group, a development company based in Provo, Utah where he helped to develop retail centers, residential projects, a golf course, and a dinosaur museum. He has served as Gilford's Director of Planning & Land Use since 2001. John and his wife Cheryl have been married since 1987, and they have 4 children and 6 grandchildren. In his spare time, John enjoys working on his golf game and providing volunteer services at his church.