The Tampa APWA FL Chapter 2020 Expo Steering Committee is now in place and moving forward with the planning process.

I have been working on the activities and tasks for each committee for the State APWA Strategic Plan. I have focused on setting priorities, on the energy and resources, strengthening the chapter, ensuring that committees and members are working toward common goals, establishing intended outcomes/results, and assess and adjust the organization’s direction in response to a changing environment.

It is a disciplined effort that produces fundamental decisions and actions that shape and guide what we all do in this organization, who it serves, what it does, and why it does it, with a focus on the future. Effective strategic planning articulates not only where the chapter is going, and the actions needed to make progress, but also how it will know if it is successful.

Therefore, I will be sending out to each committee chair to look at their activities that I have drafted, and change and add any other activity(ies) that fits under your section with timeframes. I will be expanding as we move forward with the Strategic Plan and other forthcoming updates.

Respectfully submitted,

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