Ethan Cantu

Services & Facilities Planner



EDUCATION

B.S., Urban and Regional Planning, Texas State University, 2019

Minor in Public Administration

Joined Firm in 2023

Years of Experience: 4

ASSOCIATIONS

American Planning Association (APA)
Houston American Planning
Association (HAPA)
Texas Institute of
Transportation Engineers
(TexITE) Houston Area Section
Harris County, Texas Vision Zero
Plan., 2022 Texas Engineering
Excellence ACEC, Texas
Sugar Land, Texas Town Square
Plaza
2022 Great Places in TexasGreat Public Space, American
APA, Texas

Ethan Cantu is an accomplished urban planner with a passion for shaping vibrant and sustainable communities. With experience in municipal government, he has played a pivotal role in various facets of urban development, including land use and zoning, master plan coordination and management, transportation planning, demographic analysis, public engagement, neighborhood planning services, economic development, and seamless collaboration with elected officials.

Ethan's experience includes project coordination with multiple cities, counties, and state governmental agencies in Texas, including the City of Sugar Land, City of Texas City, Harris County, Houston-Galveston Area Council, and the Harris County Flood Control District.

REPRESENTATIVE PROJECTS

Sugar Land, TX*

Sugar Land Comprehensive Plan Update Phase I

Ethan, served as an engagement lead for Phase I of the update. The engagement effort involved coordinating stakeholder meetings with members of city staff, elected officials, business owners, and members of the general public. Through this two-day effort, over 130 individuals were reached during 12 meetings.

Elwood, IL

Comprehensive Plan

Ethan assisted the Village in the creation of its Comprehensive Plan. The process involved examination of its land use, utilities, and transportation infrastructure and strategies to improve and prepare for the growth of the community.

Elwood, IL

Downtown Plan

Ethan assisted the Village in the creation of its Downtown Plan. The plan included strategies and recommendations regarding building infill and redevelopment, defining a downtown district, and placemaking enhancements.

Harris County, TX*

Harris County Vision Zero

Ethan was responsible for report composition and graphics for the project. As part of the production team, he also assisted in the creation of GIS maps and analysis. The report recommended policies and procedures that help to create a safer transportation network for the county, the goal being zero fatalities or serious injuries along the network.

Harris County, TX*

Harris County Precinct 4 Bike/ Pedestrian Safety Study

Conducted field work and data analysis to determine the areas with the highest amount of bike and pedestrian crashes within the precinct and ways to mitigate said issues. Responsibilities on the project included data collection, analysis, maps and graphics, and report writing.

