

## MANDATE OF THE ABU DHABI URBAN PLANNING COUNCIL

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The Abu Dhabi Urban Planning Council was created by Law no. 23 of 2007 and is the agency responsible for the future of Abu Dhabi's urban and regional environments, and the expert authority behind the visionary Plan Capital 2030 Urban Structure Framework Plan published in September 2007.

Chaired by His Highness Sheikh Mohamed bin Zayed Al Nahyan, Crown Prince of Abu Dhabi, Deputy Supreme Commander of the UAE Armed Forces and Chairman of the Abu Dhabi Executive Council, the Abu Dhabi Urban Planning Council defines the shape of human settlements in the Emirate, ensuring factors such as sustainability, infrastructure capacity, community planning and quality of life, by overseeing development in the cities and in the Emirate as a whole.

The Abu Dhabi Urban Planning Council ensures best practice in planning for both new and existing settlements.

The Abu Dhabi Urban Planning Council's primary purpose is to deliver upon the vision of His Highness Sheikh Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nahyan, President of the United Arab Emirates and Ruler of Abu Dhabi, for the continued fulfillment of the grand design envisaged by the late Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Al Nahyan, Father of the Nation, and the ongoing evolution of the Emirate of Abu Dhabi.

By drawing on urban planning expertise from local Emiratis, throughout the Arab States of the Gulf, and around the world, the Abu Dhabi Urban Planning Council strives to be a global authority on the future of urban planning and design.