

Citizen Architect Kenneth Crutcher, RA
City of Farmington Planning Commission



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With over 30 years in the business of design, Kenneth Crutcher is a licensed Michigan architect and has maintained his own design practice since 1998 in Farmington, MI, Crutcher Studio, Inc. His practice focuses primarily on residential and smaller commercial projects. Prior to creating Crutcher Studio, Mr. Crutcher worked for prominent architectural firms in Michigan. His very first project as an Intern-architect involved the design of the royal reception pavilion at the air terminal for the king of Saudi Arabia! Mr. Crutcher also currently serves as an adjunct faculty at Lawrence Technological University teaching design studio courses.

Mr. Crutcher is active in the community, in his second term as a member of the City of Farmington Planning Commission. In this role, he assists the City with the review of planning and development projects, to facilitate conformance with zoning requirements and the City's master plan. The Commission recently updated this master plan, and has proposed zoning ordinance changes to support the updates.

"My architectural background has helped me understand how the project will impact the environment and the community," says Crutcher. "Our goal as a Commission is to help developers to be compatible with the Master Plan. Being an architect provides additional insight for me, and helps me to identify alternatives that meet everyone's goals for the project."

Serving in public leadership positions with this depth of understanding of the built environment demonstrates how architects can have a great impact on our communities as they continue to grow and evolve.