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## Plano Planners Win Three Awards

The Texas Chapter of the American Planning Association (APA) today announced the state's best planning projects, advocates and communities for 2019. The Texas Planning Awards Program recognizes outstanding efforts in planning achievements and planning leadership. Plano received three Planning Achievement Awards, including:

- Best Practice – gold (Backyard Cottage Regulations)
- Historic Preservation – gold (Preservation Plano 150)
- Economic Development – silver (Envision Oak Point).

“These awards are testament to a community’s commitment to good planning practices,” said Doug McDonald, President of APA-Texas. “It is an honor to recognize the efforts of elected and appointed officials, residents and businesses, and city planners who all played an important role with the development of these plans and projects.”

An awards ceremony will be held on Friday, November 8 at the Waco Convention Center.

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### About Plano

Plano, Texas, is the largest city in Collin County with a population of 284,070 as of January 2019. Incorporated in 1873, the city is located 20 miles north of Dallas. Niche and AreaVibes recently named Plano as one of the Best Cities to Live in America. Forbes designated Plano one of America’s safest cities. The City offers a high quality of life that includes nationally recognized schools, award-winning parks, and sustainability initiatives and a wide variety of multi-cultural neighborhoods appealing to families, young singles and retirees. Plano is home to the headquarters or regional operations of major corporations such as Toyota, Liberty Mutual, JPMorgan Chase, Boeing Global Services, Fannie Mae, FedEx Office, JC Penney, Rent-A-Center, Cinemark Holdings, Denbury Resources and Alliance Data Systems. Our dynamic community features excellent restaurants, vibrant shopping and entertainment venues, a lively historic downtown district and active local arts

scene. Easy access to DART light rail and major highways makes Plano a convenient place to live, work and visit. To learn more about Plano, go to our website at [plano.gov](http://plano.gov).