**Technical Assistance Panels (TAPs)** are intensive, on-site assessments of complex land use and real estate issues that can benefit from impartial advice and recommendations from career professionals with expertise in relevant fields. Panelists volunteer their time to spend two to three days diving deep into the issue before delivering expert, multidisciplinary advice to the sponsoring organization(s), which may include local governments, public agencies, nonprofit organizations and private developers.

By providing an unbiased, strategic perspective on complex land use challenges, TAPs have been credited with accelerating and improving the development and design processes used by communities in their land planning efforts.

Fees for TAPs range from $12,000 to $18,000, depending on location (anywhere in Utah), extent of the scope, and breadth and depth of the final written report.

TAPs begin with a set of questions proposed by the sponsoring organization – a local government, public agency, nonprofit organization or developer – about a specific development issue or policy barrier within a defined geographic area. The two- or three-day panel includes a full site tour, confidential stakeholder interviews, intensive working sessions, a presentation of recommendations to the sponsor(s), and a final report outlining the process and recommendations.

TAP panelists are ULI member experts from Utah and other states who volunteer their time because of their commitment to ULI’s mission. Panelists donate all of their time — an estimated $30,000 to $40,000 value — to prepare for and participate in the TAP, spending two to three days on-site in the subject community. TAP fees cover expenses for travel, accommodations, meals, meeting space, report production, and other costs.

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