KRISTA HAMPTON

Krista Hampton is the Director of Planning and Development Services for the City of Columbia and has over 20 years of experience in local government in a variety of capacities. Krista began her work at the City as the Historic Preservation Planner where she facilitated the designation of several local historic districts.

Eight years into her tenure, she was selected to create, launch, and lead the City's Development Center. This new office created a streamlined one-point-of-entry process for construction review and permitting and implemented the first coordinated project and permitting software system for the City. Her work in these areas led to her appointment as Director of Planning and Development Services where she established as a priority rewriting the significantly outdated zoning and land development ordinances, which is nearing completion.

Krista holds a BA in American Studies from Miami University and an MA in Public History from the University of South Carolina. She is a graduate of the Urban Land Institute's South Carolina's Sustainable Leadership Institute and Leadership South Carolina.