The New Year will bring new leadership at the Lehigh Valley Planning Commission with the election of Steven L. Glickman as chair of the 37-member board, during the annual reorganization December 23.

Glickman, RA, CSI, is an Easton architect taking the reins from Greg Zebrowski, whose maximum two-year term ends with the close of 2021.

Glickman is a 24-year Commission member who has been Vice Chair the past two years and previously served as Chair in 2010-2011.

“I am honored to serve Lehigh County and the Lehigh Valley as Chair of the LVPC,” Glickman said. “I’m proud of the work we’ve done with Greg as Chair, and I plan to continue shaping the LVPC’s path toward a more sustainable and equitable place for all residents to live, work and enjoy.”

Over the past two years, the LVPC has advanced several important plans including the Pennsylvania Governor’s award-winning FutureLV: The Regional Plan and the region’s first-ever pedestrian and bicycle masterplan, Walk/RollLV: Active Transportation Plan. In addition to reviewing every development project filed in Lehigh or Northampton counties, the LVPC is now working on four multi-municipal comprehensive plans involving 31 communities, increasing climate action, housing and equity initiatives. Zebrowski said he’s leaving the Commission but not the mission.
“I’m very proud that we were able to promote a green agenda the past two years and I’ll certainly continue that effort as a private citizen,” Zebrowski said. “The LVPC is in very good hands with Steve.”

Also elected at the annual meeting were Vice Chair Dr. Christopher Amato, a Bethlehem chiropractor from Walnutport, who is taking over for Glickman. Elected treasurer was Kevin Schmidt, who is President of Neff’s National Bank in Whitehall Township. He takes over for Pam Pearson, whose two-year term ends at the close of 2021.