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Park Planner & Designer
Parks, Recreation & Culture
CUPE, Full-time
Job #J0324-0196

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The City of Abbotsford's Parks, Recreation and Culture Department is looking for a seasoned professional to join their team as a Park Planner & Designer. Reporting to the Parks Planning Manager, you will support the short and long term planning and development of parks, plazas, trails and other greenspace in Abbotsford.

In this challenging role, you will use your knowledge, experience and visual communication skills to develop conceptual plans and specifications, estimate pre-construction costs, prepare contract documents though procurement and coordinate the design and construction phase of park and trail development projects.

You will use your research, data collection and analytical skills to assist with and/or prepare recommendations for long term strategic planning documents and updates to existing parks related plans and policies, such as the Parks, Recreation and Culture Master Plan.

Your familiarity with relevant bylaws, strategic plans and policies, and your ability to interpret engineering, architectural and landscape plans will be key as you work closely with the planning, engineering and operations departments to review and comment on development applications and technical drawings to ensure parks requirements are being met.

Strong verbal, written and visual communication and relationship building skills are essential as you conduct public engagement meetings, collaborate interdepartmentally, liaise with consultants and contractors and represent the department to a wide range of municipal agencies and public groups on parkland development, policy development and related land use issues.

In order to be considered for this position you must have:

- Degree in Landscape Architecture is preferred for this role, although candidates with a degree in Planning or other related discipline is also acceptable.
- Five years' related experience in the design and management of landscape construction projects from conception to completion is preferred, and experience in urban or environmental planning is desired.
- Registration in the British Columbia Society of Landscape Architects or membership in the BCSLA as an Intern
 with a commitment to become registered in an agreed upon time frame, or Membership or eligibility for
 membership in the Canadian Institute of Planner.
- B.C. Class 5 Driver's License.

This position is unionized, CUPE Local 774, and the hourly rate of pay is from \$47.10 to \$55.38.

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