



DIRECTOR OF PLANNING Permanent Full Time Position

The District of Saanich is the largest municipality on Vancouver Island blending rural and urban services and amenities that serve a diverse population of over 114,000. The District's goals of community well-being, affordable housing, land use and infrastructure management, organizational excellence, economic diversification, climate action and environmental leadership support its mission of enhancing the quality of life for residents, visitors and future generations. Saanich has a progressive approach to land use that features an urban containment area that ensures responsible development to accommodate growth while providing for a large agricultural area within the bounds of a mid-size metropolitan area.

We have an exciting opportunity for a strategic leader in our Planning Department. Reporting to the Chief Administrative Officer, the Director of Planning is responsible for leading long range, community and current land use planning and development services for the Municipality. The Director is also responsible for overseeing strategic projects, initiatives and Council priorities relating to these areas of responsibility and for providing strategic advice and direction on the District's development review process.

As the Director, you will be the chief advisor on such issues to the CAO, Council, Boards and Committees. You will serve as part of the corporate senior management team jointly responsible for inter-departmental collaboration, corporate policy development, and implementation of the strategic plan.

You are a strategic thinker with a blend of natural leadership and technical skills, strong relationship building qualities and a commitment to delivering exceptional public service and progressive, environmentally sound, sustainable best practices. You are an excellent communicator and natural facilitator, a champion of service excellence with a focus on organizational effectiveness and efficiency.

As a qualified applicant, you will have a University degree in Planning, Urban Studies, Geography or other closely related discipline, together with a post graduate degree in Planning or a related discipline; a minimum of 10 years related technical experience in successively more senior leadership roles; experience presenting to and interacting with an elected Council or Board; eligibility for or membership in the Canadian Institute of Planners (CIP) or Planning Institute of British Columbia (PIBC).

A competitive compensation package is offered for this exempt position. Role profile and competition information can be found at www.saanich.ca. Please apply by 11:45 p.m. on SUNDAY, MAY 29, 2022 quoting competition 22154 to: Human Resources, District of Saanich, 770 Vernon Avenue, Victoria, BC, V8X 2W7. We thank all applicants for applying. Only those under consideration will be contacted.