

# **General Manager of Corporate Services and Chief Financial Officer** (CFO)

Competition number: RR 2023 0060 Department: Corporate Services

Salary Range: A competitive salary, including a comprehensive benefits package

Close Date: Open until a suitable candidate is found

The City of Spruce Grove is a fast growing, dynamic city committed to building and maintaining a fiscally responsible community that serves our residents, attracts visitors, and promotes future growth. Through the actions of the Values We Live By, accountability, communication, leadership, integrity, and respect are encouraged, while maintaining a work, play balance.

#### **POSITION OVERVIEW:**

The role of General Manager of Corporate Services and CFO is responsible to provide visionary and strategic leadership to the Corporate Services division of the City. As a member of the Corporate Leadership team, the incumbent has overall accountability for the departments of Finance, Information Systems, Business Services (including Customer Service, Procurement, Risk and Insurance) and Facilities and Fleet. The role is a champion and active leader in the development and implementation of the City's annual Corporate Plan.

Reporting to the City Manager, and with the support of three (3) other General Managers, the successful candidate will lead the development and implementation of policies and programs to ensure the resources of the municipality are managed in a cost effective and responsible manner.

## **SPECIFIC RESPONSIBILITES:**

## Strategic Management

- Provide expertise, guidance and recommendations to City Manager, Council, and organizational leaders in all aspects of Corporate Services and business planning, including the design, implementation, and evaluation of Corporate Services programs and services and financial policy.
- Act as a key advisor and strategist in leading corporate matters such as Corporate Planning, Asset Management, Financial Management, Business Systems, and Facility and Fleet operations.

# **Operations Management Oversight**

- Facilitate the development of long term and short-term planning process for the division and ensure appropriate input from the Corporate Services team, and the public into the Corporate Planning process for both operating and capital budgets.
- Provide executive leadership of the facilities, fleet mnagement and business technologies operations including the oversight of projects, lifecycle planning and analysis, procurement, contract, and security.

- Ensure that the Corporate Services functions are delivered through a customer service lens, exercising dynamic and agile leadership to balance resources and demands on the division.
- Act as the principal advisor to the City Manager, Council, and Council Boards, Committees, and other groups regarding matters within the Corporate Services mandate.
- Provide input into planning documents that is consistent with organizational needs such as the People Strategy, Asset Management, Corporate Plan, and departmental Business Plans.

# Financial Management

- Act as the financial/accounting figurative head of the organization and provide the financial strategic leadership and acumen at the municipality leadership table to maximize the City's financial performance in the short and long term.
- Evolve and maintain financial management reporting to assist in decision making for the organization.
- Determine and prioritize the draft City budget operating and capital.

## **Public Relations**

- Represent the City to select governmental, professional organizations and non-governmental agencies.
- Act as the City's key liaison with appropriate agencies including other municipal jurisdictions, provincial departments and community partners regarding matters related to Corporate Services.

#### **QUALIFICATIONS:**

#### We are seeking a candidate with the following:

- Fifteen (15) to twenty (20) years of related experience. Minimum of fifteen (15) years in progressive executive leadership roles. We may consider less years of experience if the experience is directly related to the responsibilities of this position.
- Significant administrative experience with several years in a senior level leadership position, preferably within a public-sector organization.
- Chartered Professional Accountant (CPA) designation in good standing.
- Successful completion of a Post-Secondary Degree in Finance, Economics, Commerce, Business Administration, or another related field.
- Demonstrated experience in leading a team of high functioning individuals operating in a matrix, client facing operational environment.
- Extensive knowledge of Corporate Planning, Information Systems, Financial Management, legislative services, and the Municipal Government Act.
- Extensive knowledge of municipal government and municipal financial policy.
- Strong commitment of the principles underpinning good governance and sound financial management.

## Special consideration will be given to those who hold:

- Asset Municipal Administration Certificate Program.
- CLGM (Certified Local Government Manager) or another similar accreditation.
- Master of Business Administration (MBA).

#### **COMPETENCIES:**

The ideal candidate will be able to demonstrate the following competencies:

- Thinking & Acting Strategically sees beyond current situation, understands impact, creates alignment, links priorities to strategy, advises.
- Building Influential Working Relationships able to effectively build relationships with a wide range of partners internally and externally to the organization.
- Optimizing Performance & Results knows and understands how to set and achieve results, they
  build accountability with their teams, and maximize their team's performance. They strive to
  improvement performance through innovation, while continually assessing risk and inspiring
  others.
- Growing Talent & Workforce Capacity fosters and inclusive workplace, and builds a learning culture that pursues continuous growth, and builds capacity within teams.
- Fostering Innovation & Steering Change able to identify issues, stimulates creativity, remains on the leading edge, and is agile in change management.
- Politically Astute knows and understands legislative and regulatory processes and has an intuitive ability to read the political implications of recommendations and actions; prepared to guide and mentor City leadership with solid and informed recommendations.

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

If you wish to discuss this position in more detail, please email: hr@sprucegrove.org

The City of Spruce Grove is currently reviewing the salary of this position, and we expect to be competitive within the industry.

Visit our website at www.sprucegrove.org to view the full position description and to apply online.