

Be Part of the Story.



At the City of Abbotsford our people are our greatest asset. We offer a wide range of diverse, stimulating and rewarding career opportunities that support and recognize high levels of performance. In Abbotsford, we work strongly to create a challenging yet rewarding environment for our employees to thrive. We invite you to become part of a place that has strong corporate and organizational values, rewarding career paths, challenging opportunities, and an engaging and dynamic team to work with.

Director, Legal Services
Exempt, Full Time
Posting # J0224-0754

Be part of the story. Join our team today.

As the **Director, Legal Services**, you arrive at a pivotal point in the fifth most populous municipality in British Columbia. Reporting to the General Manager, Legal and Legislative Services, you provide legal advice and assistance to City staff conducting daily business and long-term planning. As the Director, you have primary responsibility for the delivery of legal services to the City, including oversight of contracts, litigation, liability claims, insurance, real estate transactions, bylaws, tax, external counsel, and risk mitigation issues that impact the municipality.

The ideal candidate for this role is a 7 to 13 year call with a successful track record of providing legal advice and expertise within a progressive municipality or other in-house legal department, or a lawyer managing clients needing legal advice on a broad range of municipal issues including bylaw drafting and enforcement, contracts, litigation, insurance, labour and employment, procurement, regulatory issues, land use planning, environmental, and property transactions. The successful candidate can expect a competitive salary in line with their experience and a comprehensive benefit package, including membership in British Columbia's Municipal Pension Plan (a defined benefit pension) and a generous vacation allowance. This is an ideal role for a civically-minded lawyer who seeks to lead an established legal department with excellent internal and external support.

As the ideal candidate, you have:

- A passion for learning and applying all areas of the law.
- A practical, solution-focused and customer-centric approach to providing legal services.
- At least seven years of legal practice experience enabling you to confidently manage a broad range of practice areas.
- Familiarity with key local government legislation.
- Experience in a municipal, public sector, or regulated environment.
- A proven track record of leadership in management or mentoring roles.
- Exceptional verbal and written communication skills.

During the recruitment process, applicants will be requested to provide a current Police Information Check (PIC).

The City offers extensive personal and professional development opportunities. To apply, please visit us online at: www.abbotsford.ca/careers.

Salary: \$159,359 - \$188,024

Closing Date: March 8, 2024



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