



DIRECTOR OF PLANNING

Competition #24-055
Status: Regular Full Time (Exempt)
Department: Planning
Salary: \$158,182.42 - \$188,312.40
Closing: March 31, 2024

Come grow with The City of Maple Ridge! Are you a team player with a "can do attitude", excellent communication and customer service skills? We have the perfect opportunity for you!

POSITION OVERVIEW

The City of Maple Ridge is a vibrant and rapidly growing community dedicated to fostering sustainable development and enhancing the quality of life for our residents. With exciting projects on the horizon, we are seeking a skilled Director of Planning to lead and shape the future of our community.

Reporting to the Chief Administrative Officer, the Director of Planning will lead the management and oversight of a dedicated group of professional and technical planning staff. Responsibilities will also encompass directing the development of key planning documents such as the Official Community Plan, policy development, improving long-term community plans and strategies, and development guidelines. Additionally, the Director of Planning will oversee the processing of various applications including rezoning, development permits, and subdivision requests. The role extends to managing the Environmental Affairs section within the department, ensuring a comprehensive approach to planning that balances rural and urban needs while fostering public engagement and consultation with Council, developers, consultants, and other key internal and external stakeholder groups.

THE IDEAL CANDIDATE WILL HAVE

A bachelor's degree in architecture, engineering or other related discipline plus a master's degree in Community or Regional Planning. In addition, demonstrated experience supervising and managing a professional and integrated team and current membership or eligibility for membership with the Canadian Institute of Planners. A valid BC driver's license is required.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES

- Extensive knowledge of the principles, practices, methods and techniques used in managing municipal physical, social and economic planning projects and operations.
- Thorough knowledge of the policies rules by-laws and regulations governing the work of the department.
- Ability to administer and direct departmental operations, programs and projects with a corporate strategic focus and provide a high degree of leadership.
- Ability to plan, coordinate and supervise the work of a moderate-sized group of professional, technical and support staff.

- Ability to establish and maintain effective liaison and working relationships with internal contacts, government agencies and representatives and the public.
- Ability to exercise sound judgment and represent the department and the City in meeting and dealing with Boards, Committees and Commissions on planning matters and projects.
- Ability to prepare professional and technical planning and/or administrative reports and studies, and analyze and evaluate data for complex problem solutions.

EQUITY STATEMENT

At the City of Maple Ridge, we are dedicated to cultivating an inclusive culture that actively values and embraces diversity. We strive to attract and retain a talented, diverse workforce that is broadly reflective of the community we proudly serve. Accommodations are available on request for candidates taking part in all aspects of the selection process by contacting hrenquires@mapleridge.ca.

WHAT WE OFFER YOU

The City of Maple Ridge is a great place to work with competitive compensation packages that include the Municipal Pension Plan, a strong employee wellness program and the opportunity for professional career growth and professional development. If you want to help shape a growing community in a municipality that strives for service excellence, then this is the position for you.

We thank all applicants for their interest, however, only those under consideration will be contacted.