General Statement of Duties

Performs supervisory work over staff involved in promoting the orderly growth, development, and improvement of the city through development review, land use planning and regulations, transportation/infrastructure planning, and the implementation of housing policies and programs.

Distinguishing Characteristics

The City Planner is a seven (7) level classification series. Incumbents in these classes are responsible for developing planning projects, goals, and guidelines, conducting planning studies, and research in a variety of social, economic, and physical areas with increasing responsibility and decision making at each level within the series:

- City Planner Staff
- City Planner Associate
- City Planner Senior
- City Planner Principal
- City Planner Supervisor
- Manager City Planning
- Director City Planning

These classes are distinguished from the Airport Planning class series by the specialization of education and experience required for airport planning.

Essential Duties

Directs and evaluates the work of professional staff, provides technical expertise to staff and establishes work programs and project objectives.

Develops long-range and short-term initiatives and resolves operational problems in administering a functional area such as the coordination with other programs, sections, or organizations.

Recommends, develops, evaluates, and modifies complex city, local, state, and federal projects, policies, operating procedures, plans, programs, and regulations.

Establishes and maintains linkages with various city, local, state, and federal agencies, community groups, and the public to address complaints or inquiries regarding requirements, policies, or procedures.

Reviews and relays organizational or regulatory directives that affect a functional area.

Develops or modifies work plans, methods, and procedures and determines work priorities.

Assigns and distributes work, reviews work for accuracy and completeness and returns assignments with recommendations for proper completion.

Resolves problems encountered during daily operations and determine standards for problem resolution.

Develops goals, documents performance, provides performance feedback and formally evaluates the work of the employee; provides reward and recognition for proper and efficient performance. Assists staff to achieve performance standards and identifies opportunities for continual improvement to performance standards.

Responds to formal and informal employee grievances and prepares written response.
Documents cause for disciplinary action and initiate letters of reprimand and formal recommendations for disciplinary action.

Provides work instruction and assists employees with difficult and unusual assignments.

Assists in the development of the departmental budget.

By position, administers the overall financial operations of federally and locally funded project budgets, maintains on-going finance function(s), and investigates sources of project funding.

Any one position may not include all of the duties listed. However, the allocation of positions will be determined by the amount of time spent in performing the essential duties listed above.

## Competencies

- **Delivering Results** - Sets high standards for quality, quantity, and timelines. Focuses on customer needs and satisfaction. Consistently achieves project goals.

- **Influencing** - Collaborates with, persuades, and influences others.

- **Oral Communication** – Expresses information to individuals or groups effectively; taking into account the audience and nature of the information; makes clear and convincing oral presentations; listens to others, attends to nonverbal cues, and responds appropriately.

- **Problem-Solving** – Identifies problems; determines accuracy and relevance of information; uses sound judgment to generate and evaluate alternatives, and to make recommendations.

- **Coaching** - Provides others with clear direction, motivates, and empowers. Recruits staff of a high caliber and provides staff with development opportunities and coaching.

- **Written Communication** – Composes, reviews, edits, and issues written materials for diverse audiences and communicates purpose in a succinct and organized manner that is appropriate for context, time, and place.

## Knowledge & Skills

Knowledge of budgeting principles and practices sufficient to be able to assume budgetary responsibilities as required.

## Level of Supervision Exercised

Supervises two or more professional planning employees and may include other professional employees.

## Education Requirement

Bachelor’s Degree in City or Regional Planning, Architecture, Landscape Architecture, Engineering, Public Administration, or a related degree.

## Experience Requirement

Seven (7) years of professional planning experience.

## Education & Experience Equivalency

One (1) year of the appropriate type and level of experience may be substituted for each required year of post-high school education.
Additional appropriate education may be substituted for the minimum experience requirements.

**Licensure & Certification**

By position, requires a valid Driver's License at the time of application.

Licenses and certifications must be kept current as a condition of employment.

**Working Environment**

Pressure due to multiple calls and inquiries.
Subject to many interruptions.
Subject to varying and unpredictable situations.

**Level of Physical Demand**

1-Sedentary (0-10 lbs.)

**Physical Demands**

(Physical Demands are a general guide, and specific positions will vary based on working conditions, locations, and agency/department needs.):

Accommodation: Ability to bring objects into focus.
Depth Perception: Ability to judge distances and space relationships.
Eye/Hand/Foot Coordination: Performing work through using two or more body parts or other devices.
Field of Vision: Ability to sharply detect or perceive objects peripherally.
Fingering: Picking and pinching, through use of fingers or otherwise.
Handling: Seizing, holding, grasping, through use of hands, fingers, or other means.
Hearing: Perceiving and comprehending the nature and direction of sounds.
Lifting: Moving objects weighing no more than 10 pounds from one level to another.
Repetitive motions: Making frequent or continuous movements.
Sitting: Remaining in a stationary position.
Talking: Communicating ideas or exchanging information.
Vision Near Acuity: Ability to perceive or detect objects at 20 inches or less.

**Background Check Requirement**

Criminal Check
Education Check
Employment Verification
By position, Motor Vehicle Record

**Assessment Requirement**

Professional Supervisor

**Probation Period**

Six (6) months.
Class Detail

Pay Grade: EX-14
FLSA Code: Y
Established Date: 9/21/2018
Established By: LS
Revised Date: 7/19/2021
Revised By: AD
Class History: 7/19/2021: Added supervisor assessment.