

City of Stafford
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Position: Public Works Director
Class Structure: Management
Class: Director
Level: 3
Department: Public Works
Salary Range: \$110,000- \$130,000
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Posting Deadline: January 26, 2018

POSITION FUNCTION

The Public Works Director is a supervisory position with the obligation to plan, direct, manage and oversee the activities, projects and operations of the Public Works Department. The Public Works Director is responsible for all public works and development activities of the city including Streets, Parks, Facilities and Equipment Maintenance, Engineering, Planning, Zoning, Permits and Inspections. The Public Works Director coordinates assigned activities with other city departments and outside agencies and provides highly responsible and complex administrative support to the Mayor, City Council, Planning and Zoning Commission, and Stafford Economic Development Corporation.

The Public Works Director reports directly to the Mayor and receives general administrative direction from the Mayor as CEO, and acts on City Council motions. The Director exercises supervision over professional, management, technical, clerical and maintenance staff.

BACKGROUND IMPACTING POSTION:

The City of Stafford is widely recognized as the largest city in Texas which does not assess a city property tax. The majority of city funds are derived from the city sales tax. The City Council has emphasized the responsible use of city funds and resources. The prudent administration of all matters related to personnel in the budget and proper utilization of funds and resources by the Public Works Department is a critical component of preserving the City's strong fiscal status. The Public Works Director is a key employee in this pursuit

ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Based on direction from the Mayor/CEO shall assume full management responsibility for all Public Works Department services and activities; recommend and administer policies and procedures.

2. In conjunction with the Mayor/CEO direct the development and implementation of Public Works Department goals, objectives, policies and priorities for each assigned service area.
3. Establish, within city policy, appropriate service and staffing levels; monitor and evaluate the efficiency and effectiveness of service delivery methods and procedures; allocate resources accordingly.
4. Plan, direct and coordinate, through subordinate level supervisory and managerial personnel, the Public Works Department work plan; assign projects and programmatic areas of responsibility; review and evaluate work methods and procedures; meet with management staff to identify and resolve problems.
5. Assess and monitor work load, administrative and support systems, and internal reporting relationships; identify opportunities for improvement; direct and implement changes.
6. Select, train, motivate and evaluate Public Works Department personnel; provide or coordinate staff training; work with employees to correct deficiencies; implement discipline and termination procedures.
7. Serve as one of the City's resources for technical expertise.
8. Oversee and participate in the development and administration of the Public Works Department budget; approve the forecast of funds needed for staffing, equipment, materials and supplies; approve expenditures and implement budgetary adjustments as appropriate and necessary.
9. Explain, justify and defend Public Works Department programs, policies, and activities; negotiate and resolve sensitive and contentious issues.
10. Represent the Public Works Department to other city departments, elected officials and outside agencies; coordinate Public Works Department activities with those of other departments, outside agencies and organizations.
11. Assess and monitor the City's infrastructure to provide adequate levels of public service both for existing systems/networks and new developments.
12. Represent the City as directed by the Mayor/CEO and the Public Works Department to the general public and other entities to coordinate/facilitate Public Works activities with public service needs.
13. Provide staff assistance to the Mayor, City Council, Planning and Zoning and SEDC; prepare and presents staff reports at meeting and communicate through appropriate correspondence.

14. Attend and participate in professional group meetings; stay abreast of new trends and innovations in the field of public works administration.
15. Respond to and resolve difficult and sensitive citizen inquiries and complaints.
16. Perform other duties as assigned.

QUALIFICATIONS

Knowledge of:

Operational characteristics, services and activities of a comprehensive public works program.

Management skills to analyze programs, policies and operational needs.

Current trends and developments in the field of construction and prepare revisions to codes, ordinances and local regulations.

Principles and procedures of facility maintenance.

Explains, interprets, and provides guidance regarding all applicable building, construction, and development codes to architects, engineers, contractors, developers, and property owners.

Principles and practices of municipal budget preparation and administration.

Principles of supervision, training and performance evaluations.

Pertinent Federal, State and local laws, codes and regulations.

Ability to:

Plan, organize, direct and coordinate the work at all levels of staff.

Select, supervise, train and evaluate staff.

Delegate authority and responsibility.

Lead and direct the operations, services and activities of the Public Works Department.

Determine the feasibility of various municipal projects.

Coordinate design, construction, inspection, and maintenance activities for a variety of projects.

Identify and respond to community issues, concerns and needs.

Develop and administer goals, objectives and procedures.

Prepare clear and concise administrative and financial reports.

Prepare and administer large and complex budgets.

Analyze problems, identify alternative solutions, project consequences of proposed actions and implement recommendations in support of goals.

Research, analyze and evaluate new service delivery methods, procedures and techniques.

Interpret and apply Federal, State and local policies, procedures, laws and regulations.

Communicate clearly and concisely, both orally and in writing and make informative and thorough presentations to City Council and other bodies.

Establish and maintain effective working relationships with those contacted in the course of work.

Participate and provide assistance and leadership in emergency management events.

Follow all safety rules and regulations of the department to which assigned.

EXPERIENCE AND TRAINING

Experience:

Five years of increasingly responsible experience in public works management, construction or a related field, including three years of administrative and supervisory responsibility; or, an equivalent combination of education and experience sufficient to successfully perform the essential duties of the job. Ten years preferred.

Training:

Bachelor’s degree from an accredited college or university with major course work in civil engineering, construction management or a related field.

Residency Requirement

Live within twenty (20) miles of the City of Stafford city limits.

License or Certificate

Must have a valid Texas driver’s license and a safe driving record.

WORKING CONDITIONS

Environmental Conditions:

Office/**field** environment; may work in inclement weather conditions.

Physical Conditions:

Essential and marginal functions require maintaining physical condition necessary for sitting, standing or walking for prolonged periods of time; and operating motorized vehicles.

Physical Demands: The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this position. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals to perform the essential functions.

	Stand/Walk	Be able to walk around construction sites to inspect and consult on constructions practices.
Sit		For most tasks at a standard desk with an executive chair, at meetings, to drive, to meet with others in their office.
Talk/Listen		To communicate with the public and staff in person and by telephone.
Dexterity		To be able to capably write and efficiently use the computer and the telephone.

Climb/Balance	Be able to climb banks of 3:1 slope and maintain proper balance around construction sites.
Stoop/Crawl	To obtain files from bottom drawers of file cabinets.
Kneel/Crouch	To be able to reach top drawers of file cabinets.
Lift/Move	To be able to lift and move 40 pounds, file boxes and large rolls of construction plans.
Vision	To type, key enter data, review, and sort and distribute printer material.

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