

Job Information

Employer Name: The City of Edmonton

AAA Member : Yes No

Job Title: Senior Urban Designer

Job Type (F/T or P/T): F/T

Location(s): 6th Floor Edmonton Tower, 10111 104 Avenue , Edmonton, T5J C Expected Start Date:

Website Address: https://recruitment.edmonton.ca/job/CITYA000C5469/Senior-Urban-Designer

Job Description

Description

Senior Urban Designer

Job Number : 35927

The Urban Design Unit is part of the Policy Development Section, with the City Planning Branch of Urban Form and Corporate Strategic Development. The Unit advances significant policy and strategy related to the design of the public realm and the preservation of historic resources in Edmonton.

Reporting to the Lead Urban designer, the Senior Urban Designer will deliver a wide variety of high profile urban design studies and initiatives throughout the City of Edmonton, directing staff in the Urban Design Unit as required. As the Senior Urban Designer, you will work closely with the Lead Urban Designer to develop and manage the Unit workplan and budget. You will assist the Lead Urban Designer in building positive relationships inside and outside of the corporation, and educating these city-builders on the guiding principles of urban design, and ultimately, its value to the community as a whole.

Duties include:

Lead complex and important urban design studies and / or projects undertaken by the City Planning Branch, including the strategic phases of infrastructure projects undertaken as part of the Corporate Value Chain

Recommend and support the development and implementation of higher-order urban design strategy, including the Urban Design Framework, The City Plan and the City-Wide Planning Framework. Contribute technical expertise to these and other Corporate strategic exercises

Support the Lead Urban Designer in the preparation and management of the Unit work program and budget, including the development of business plans. Employ project management techniques to ensure timely tracking, reporting and delivery of assigned studies and projects

Coordinate and write Council reports and enquiries as needed as well as policy development and associated public engagement and communication strategies

Coordinate / undertake Urban Design reviews of Land Development, Rezoning and Development Permit Applications

Working proactively with other City groups, public agencies, community groups, developers and designers, advocating alternative design directions / solutions for consideration and review

Demonstrate strong interpersonal skills and the ability to supervise and mentor junior staff

Employ coaching techniques to build staff capacity and support the Lead Urban Designer in promoting a positive culture in the Unit

Provide day-to-day oversight of staff including hiring, assigning and reviewing work, performance management, discipline, etc.

Provide formal performance reviews and continuous constructive feedback to motivate and empower staff to produce high quality project deliverables and outcomes

Take responsibility for undertaking performance management steps, when required

Work closely with counterparts in other City groups to promote integrated planning and design. Plan, facilitate and / or take part in collaborative workshops / design charrettes as appropriate

Related duties as required

Qualifications & Skill Sets

University degree in Urban Design, Architecture, Planning or Landscape Architecture. A Masters degree in Urban Design would be considered an asset
Membership / provisional membership with the Alberta Professional Planners Institute (APPI), Alberta Association of Landscape Architects (AALA) and/or Alberta Association of Architects (AAA)
7 years of full-time experience in urban design (public or private sector) and minimum one (1) year of supervisory experience
Experience successfully supervising small project teams (one to three employees)
Excellent people skills, strong ability to supervise, lead and motivate junior staff
Strong ability to mentor junior team members
Excellent urban design skills and ability to grasp and conceptualize most complex three-dimensional plans and projects
Excellent understanding of planning and urban design typologies and inter-relationships at every scale
Knowledge of the urban design principles, strategies, policy regulations, guidelines and other innovative tools to influence short and long-term evolution of the city ' s fabric, city ' s built form and public realm
Strong portfolio of urban design policy development and built work which demonstrates past design excellence and understanding of design and implementation process
Knowledge of the physical design and planning practices in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada in addition to current trends and best practices from around the world
Strong ability to analyse, review and critique development proposals and positively influence design outcomes during the internal design review process
Valid Alberta Class 5 driver's licence (or provincial equivalent). Obtaining and maintaining a City Driver's permit is a requirement of this position

Management and Out-of-Scope positions at the City of Edmonton are being reviewed for possible inclusion in the Civic Service Union 52 bargaining unit. If this position is impacted, the incumbent will be notified accordingly.

Contact Information

(Please indicate any documents which applicants are required to submit, i.e. portfolios, cover letter, etc)

We are an equal opportunity employer.
We welcome diversity and encourage applications from all qualified individuals.

Up to 1 permanent full-time position

Hours of Work: 36.9 hour per week, Monday to Friday

Salary: \$84,597 - \$120,852 (Annually)

Talent Acquisition Consultant: SH/KC

Classification Title : PT3 - Urban Planner

Posting Date : May 21, 2019

Closing Date : June 11, 2019 11:59:00 PM (MDT)

Number of Openings (up to) : 1 - Permanent Full-time

Union : Management

Department : City Planning

Work Location(s) :

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