

**Job Posting Title**

Planner II

Company

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Department

Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation – Planning and Development

Competition #

2014-0376

Application Close

September 27, 2014

Employment Type

Temporary Full Time

Affiliation

CUPE Local 15 Bargaining Unit (VMECW)

Position Start Date

October 20, 2014

Position End Date

October 01, 2016

Salary Information

Pay Grade 31: \$44.62 to \$52.77 per hour

Main Purpose & Function

This Planner II manages complex major project and planning assignments related to parks and recreation. The focus of this position is representing Parks and Recreation in the integration of park, recreation and environment interests in city-wide planning, policy and development initiatives.

Specific Duties & Responsibilities

The Planner II is responsible for leading complex projects, managing consultant teams, representing Park Board in multi-disciplinary technical teams, undertaking internal and public consultation processes and bringing projects to a successful conclusion. The Planner II will perform detailed reviews of applicant proposals and submittals, evaluating and preparing recommendations for conformance to parks and recreation interests, practices, priorities and policies.

The Planner II is also responsible for investigating problems and identifying issues, developing study and strategy processes, conducting research and surveys, analyzing results, directing and evaluating studies, and writing reports summarizing complex issues and formulating policy and recommendations.

The Planner II ensures the integration of parks and recreation interests, strategies, priorities and policies in the development of community plans, official development plans, large-site redevelopments, re-zonings, development permits and other city-wide planning initiatives. The Planner II will represent Parks and Recreation interests at various cross-departmental staff technical teams, working groups and internal and external committees. The Planner II will also attend Park Board and City Council meetings to represent the department, make presentations, and answer questions.



Qualifications

Education and Experience

- A degree in landscape architecture, urban design or planning recognized by the Canadian Association of Landscape Architects or the Canadian Institute of Planners and a recommended minimum of five years professional experience in the municipal landscape architecture, urban design or planning field, preferably supplemented by project management supervisory experience, or an equivalent combination of education and experience.
- Experience with work in interdisciplinary project teams, facilitation, evaluating proposals, communicating complex ideas and making sound recommendations.
- Eligibility for membership in the BC Society of Landscape Architects or the Canadian Institute of Planners is an asset

Knowledge, Skills and Abilities

- Considerable knowledge of landscape architecture, urban planning and design; municipal parks and recreation trends, practice and policy; municipal planning and development processes; land use issues, site planning, community amenity assessments and sustainable development.
- Ability to achieve multiple program objectives within defined timelines, manage complex projects, budgets, staff and consultant teams effectively
- Ability to facilitate collaborative decision making, negotiation and interest-based problem solving.
- Ability to work independently, be creative and use sound judgement.
- Ability to supervise staff.
- Ability to communicate ideas and make recommendations to governmental officials.
- Ability to act in a co-ordinating capacity internally within the department and with City officials and other interested groups including citizen groups.
- Ability to use MS Office Suite (Word, Excel, Access, PowerPoint), MapInfo, In Design, Adobe Creative Suite

We thank all applicants for their interest. However, only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

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