

Position Vacancy: Senior Planner (Planner 2)

Great City, Great Work, Great Future!

DEPARTMENT:	Development Services	STATUS:	Fulltime
NO. OF POSITIONS:	One	UNION:	CUPE LOCAL 387
HOURS OF WORK:	8:30 am – 4:30 pm	SALARY:	\$40.78 to \$48.27 per hour

Situated in the centre of Metro Vancouver, we deliver a broad spectrum of urban services to a City of 60,000 residents. New Westminister enjoys a reputation for innovation, civic leadership and excellent employee relations.

Position Overview:

The Development Services Department requires a senior planning professional to develop complex planning policies and guide the development of community plans of a complex nature and significant scope. You will have a broad knowledge of community land use planning and specific knowledge of financing growth issues, housing, land development economics, employment and sustainability. Your experience includes the following: research and analysis using various qualitative and quantitative research methods; developing planning policy in a multi-stakeholder environment; scoping and developing work programs; managing complex and controversial planning projects; developing and carrying out effective public consultation programs; creative problem solving; preparation and presentation of reports which clearly communicate complex ideas. Specific duties will include: providing advice on complex policy issues to Council, staff, external agencies and the public; clearly articulating sound planning principles, researching, analyzing and preparing comprehensive reports and policies on a wide range of issues; managing project budgets, conducting high level negotiations; developing and delivering public presentations and participating in multi-disciplinary committees.

Requirements include:

- Master's Degree in Planning or a related discipline plus at least seven years of relevant professional experience, or an equivalent combination of training and experience.
- Full membership in the Canadian Institute of Planners.
- Outstanding interpersonal, written and verbal communication skills;
- Sound knowledge of best practices in land use regulation and policy.
- Considerable knowledge of Provincial land use regulations and Local Government Act best practices in community planning, particularly at the local government level.
- Considerable experience in facilitation, negotiation and conflict resolution skills.
- Considerable knowledge of standard statistical techniques and research methodology, including financial analysis and the proven ability to undertake complex research assignments.
- Ability to be creative and exercise sound judgment in a fast paced work environment while managing multiple tasks.
- Ability to plan, assign and supervise the work of staff and to lead project teams.
- Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with a variety of internal and external contacts on matters related to the work; to transmit clearly the principles and requirements of sound planning and development and to employ contemporary service excellence principles.
- A valid BC driver's license.

Apply by sending your resume quoting **competition #11-40, by November 18, 2011** to the Human Resources Department, City of New Westminister, 511 Royal Avenue, New Westminister, BC, V3L 1H9, Fax: (604)527-4619 or e-mail to hr@newwestcity.ca.

We thank all applicants in advance; however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

The City of New Westminister is committed to employment equity.

We welcome diversity and encourage applications from all qualified individuals.