



The City of Detroit seeks:

Deputy Director of Planning Department

Cross-trained in two disciplines:

- Urban Planning or Physical Neighborhood Planning
- Urban Design
- Architecture or Landscape Architecture

Skilled in:

- Planning and Land Use Analysis
- Community Engagement
- Public Presentations
- Project Management
- Staff Supervision

Possesses:

- A Master's degree in Urban Planning, Urban Design, Architecture, Public Administration or a related field
- 8 years of progressively responsible urban planning experience
- Minimum 4 years of supervisory experience
- 8-12 years of planning or zoning enforcement (2 of which were in a supervisory or administrative capacity)

Under new leadership, the City of Detroit's Planning & Development Department is reorganizing to create a new, innovative model of public practice and community engagement in urban revitalization.

The city is seeking a creative and motivated individual with an outstanding professional record to serve as **Deputy Director**. The ideal candidates will be cross-trained or experienced in at least two professional disciplines: Architecture, Landscape Architecture, Physical Neighborhood Planning, Urban Planning and/or Urban Design. They will be technically well-prepared professionals, willing to engage with local leaders and community stakeholders and help lead the department in creating a participatory model of urban planning, design and development that encourages renewed population growth within the city and ensures that every neighborhood has a future.

In partnership with the Director, the Deputy Director and Design Directors will constitute the Department's Leadership Team and be responsible for managing the work of dedicated staff experienced in multiple professional design disciplines. The Deputy Director will be responsible for managing geographically dedicated Planning and Design Divisions, the Strategic Planning Division and overseeing operations support. The Deputy Director will also direct the establishment of community-located design resource centers, "homebases" for urban design, planning and community engagement within a specific geographic region of the city. In addition, Deputy Director will:



- Assist in hiring and restructuring as the Department is rebuilt to accommodate its mission and increased demand for urban planning and land use services

- Help shape the physical development of the city by developing policies, implementation of urban design guidelines and neighborhood physical plans, recommending zoning amendments and overseeing compliance with the city's Master Plan

- Maintain and improve quality of city/neighborhoods by reviewing project/land use applications and building permits for zoning compliance
- Work with public, architects, engineers, contractors and department personnel to interpret zoning ordinances and department policies/ procedures
- Analyze trends in population, land use, transportation, zoning and other areas of significance to the department's success
- Exercise considerable initiative and judgment in the completion of assignments and interacts in the broad interests of the community
- Articulate and elevate a vision for Detroit neighborhoods that embodies the highest quality of design excellence, sustainable and ecological performance and social equity for all Detroiters

Resumes and cover letters should be sent to the attention of:

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