# **Planning Technician**

### **Posting Details**

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Position Number C1105U

Working Job Title Planning Technician

Range 917

Advertised Salary 15.104

Beginning Annual 31,416.32

Ending Annual 47,808.80

Beginning Hourly 15.104

Ending Hourly 22.985

Position Type Regular Full Time

Brief Description The purpose of this position is to prepare and maintain mapping inventories and

provide planning information to departments and the general public. This is accomplished by: maintaining a geo-database to keep city parcel, land use, zoning, flood zone, airport zoning, historic districts, thoroughfare plan and other digital maps current; collecting data; creating specialized maps, charts and graphs; spatial analysis of Census data/demographics, integration of GIS with planning projects for enhanced analysis; and conducting training classes in the digital mapping process. Other duties include: creating maps for related departments and state agencies, creating presentations for public meetings, providing assistance with various data layers and databases to the City's GIS Coordinator, and other related planning duties in support of the geo-database

system as assigned.

**Formal Education** Work requires broad knowledge in a general profession or technical field.

Knowledge is normally acquired through four years of college resulting in a

Bachelor's degree.

**Experience** Under and including one year

**Supervision** Job has no responsibility for the direction or supervision of others.

Human Collaboration Skills

Work may require providing advice to others outside direct reporting

relationships on specific problems or general policies. Contacts may require the consideration of different points of view to reach agreement. Elements of persuasion may be necessary to gain cooperation and acceptance of ideas.

Freedom to Act Receives General Direction – The employee normally performs the job by

following established standard operating procedures and/or policies. There is a

choice of the appropriate procedure or policy to apply to duties. Performance is reviewed periodically.

**Technical Skills** 

Advanced – Work requires advanced skills and knowledge in approaches and systems, which affect the design and implementation of major programs and/or processes organization-wide. Independent judgment and decision-making abilities are necessary to apply technical skills effectively.

**Budget Responsibility** 

This position has no budget responsibility.

Reading

Advanced – Ability to read literature, books, reviews, scientific or technical journals, abstracts, financial reports, and/or legal documents. Ordinarily, such education is obtained in at the college level or above. However, it may be obtained from experience and self-study.

Math

Intermediate – Ability to deal with system of real numbers; practical application of fractions, percentages, ratios/proportions and measurement. Ordinarily, such education is obtained in high school up to college. However, it may be obtained from experience and self-study.

Writing

Intermediate – Ability to write reports, prepare business letters, expositions, and summaries with proper format, punctuation, spelling, and grammar, using all parts of speech. Ordinarily, such education is obtained in high school up to college. However, it may be obtained from experience and self-study.

**Certification & Other Requirements** 

Solid working knowledge of ESRI ARC Info/ARC Map software and Microsoft Office, particularly, advanced knowledge in Powerpoint and Excel. Ability to organize multiple concurrent projects with minimal supervision. Knowledge and understanding of spreadsheets and database management. Ability to communicate concisely (oral and written), follow instructions and be accountable for work time/actions.

Driver's License

Yes

Type of License

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**Endorsements** 

 Posting Date
 02/24/2016

 Closing Date
 03/21/2016

### **Essential Functions**

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Creates and maintains mapping databases by developing shape files/layers, organizing data, troubleshooting problems, installing software and updates, writing scripts for interfaces, maintaining map inventory of current layers/locations, and working with system vendors. Actively involved in all aspects of database (map) development from raw data input to the editing process to generation of detailed maps, reports and other technical documents.

Sedentary

#### Code

**Essential Function** Provides ancillary services to departments and the public by creating custom

and specialized maps, determining flood zone areas, working with land use and airport zoning issues, providing information on streets and new additions, outlining city limits, converting shape files, and organizing flood elevation

certificates (digital/paper database).

**Code** Sedentary

Essential Function Assists and analyzes cases and developmental requests by evaluating project

plans for ordinance compliance, spatial demographic analysis and integration into projects/reports, evaluating sites, fieldwork level analysis (potential collection of raw data, site checks and windshield surveys, etc.), posting zoning/board of adjustment case notices in the field, and answering citizen and

property owner calls.

**Code** Light

**Essential Function** Provides technical support to departments by facilitating training for software,

scheduling tutorials with department GIS users, providing troubleshooting technical support, participating in training opportunities with free online ESRI courses and/or regional ARC User Group meetings, providing backup technical

support as needed for the City's GIS Coordinator.

**Code** Light

**Essential Function** Perform other duties, as assigned, in support of GIS related projects.

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## **Physical Demands**

**Overall Physical Strength Demands** 

Overall Physical Strength Demands: (S) Sedentary: Exerting up to 10 lbs. occasionally or negligible weights frequently; sitting most of the time. (L) Light: Exerting up to 20 lbs. occasionally; 10 lbs. frequently; or negligible amounts constantly; OR requires walking or standing to a significant degree. (M) Medium: Exerting 20-50 lbs. occasionally; 10-25 lbs. frequently; or up to 10 lbs. constantly. (H) Heavy: Exerting 50-100 lbs. occasionally; 10-25 lbs. frequently; or up to 10-20 lbs. constantly. (V) Very Heavy: Exerting over 100 lbs. occasionally; 50-100 lbs. frequently; or up to 20-50 lbs. constantly.

#### Physical strength for this position L

**Physical Demands** 

(C) Continuously: 2/3 or more of the time. (F) Frequently: From 1/3 to 2/3 of the time. (O) Occasionally: Up to 1/3 of the time. (R) Rarely: Less than 1 hour per week. (N) Never: Never occurs. Note: This is intended as a description of the way the job is currently performed. It does not address the potential for accommodation.

**Standing**Communicating with co-workers, Observing work duties, Observing work site,

Making presentations

Standing Frequency O

Fine Dexterity Telephone keypad, Computer keyboard, Calibrating equipment

Fine Dexterity Frequency C

Walking To other departments/offices/office equipment, Around work site

Walking Frequency O

**Lifting** Supplies, Equipment, Files

Lifting Frequency R

Carrying Supplies, Equipment, Files

Carrying Frequency R

Sitting Desk Work, Meetings, Driving

Sitting Frequency F

**Reaching** For supplies and files

Reaching Frequency R

**Handling** Paperwork

Handling Frequency O

**Kneeling** Filing in lowerdrawers, Retrieving items from lower shelves/ground

Kneeling Frequency R

**Crawling** None

Crawling Frequency R

Pushing/Pulling File drawers, Tables and chairs, Equipment

Pushing/Pulling Frequency O

Climbing Stairs, Ladder, Step stool, Onto Equipment

Climbing Frequency O

Vision Reading, Computer Screen, Observing worksite, Driving

Vision Frequency R

Foot Controls Driving

Foot Controls Frequency O

Balancing On Ladder, on step stool, on equpment

**Balancing Frequency** R

Bending Filing in lower drawers, Retrieving items from lower shelves/ground, Making

repairs

**Bending Frequency** 

**Crouching** Filing in lower drawers, Retrieving items from lower shelves/ground

Crouching Frequency R

**Hearing**Communicating via telephone/radio, to co-workers/public, listening to equipment

Hearing Frequency F

**Twisting** From computer to telephone, Getting inside vehicle

F **Twisting Frequency** 

**Talking** Communicating via telephone/radio, to co-workers/public

C Talking Frequency

Other (specified if applicable) None

**Other Frequency** Ν

### **Additional Information**

Machines, Tools, Equipment, Software, and Hardware

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Computers, printers and related software, Microsoft Powerpoint, ESRI

ARCInfo/ARCMap copier, fax machine, vehicle, knife, ruler

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**Environmental Factors**(D) Daily; (W) Several Times Per Week; (M) Several Times Per Month; (S) Seasonally; (N) Never

S **Extreme Temperatures** 

Wetness/Humidity

**Respiratory Hazards** M

**Noise and Vibration** Ν

**Physical Hazards** Ν

 $\begin{array}{l} \textbf{Health and Safety Factors} \\ \text{(C) Continuously; (F) Frequently; (O) Occasionally; (R) Rarely; (N) Never} \end{array}$ 

**Mechanical Hazards** R

**Chemical Hazards** Ν

**Electrical Hazards** R

**Fire Hazards** Ν

**Explosives** Ν

**Communicable Diseases** Ν

**Physical Danger or Abuse** 

Other (see below)

Other Health and Safety Factor

**Protective Equipment Required** None **Non-Physical Demands** 

Description of Non-Physical Demands: (F) Frequently: From 1/3 to 2/3 of the time; (O) Occasionally: Up to 1/3 of the time; (R) Rarely: Less than 1 hour per week; (N) Never: Never occurs.

Time Pressure O

Frequent Change of Tasks F

**Performing Multiple Tasks** 

Simultaneously

F

Tedious or Exacting Work F

Noisy/Distracting Environment R

**Emergency Situation** O

Irregular Work Schedule/Overtime R

Working Closely with Others as Part F

of a Team

Other (see below) N

**Other Non-Physical Demand** 

**Work Location** 

Primary Work Location Office Environment

**Secondary Work Location** 

## **Applicant Documents**

Required Documents

- 1. Resume
- 2. Cover Letter

**Optional Documents** 

- 1. License or Certification
- 2. Other Documentation

# **Posting Specific Questions**

Required fields are indicated with an asterisk (\*).

- 1. \* How did you hear about this employment opportunity?
  - Public Job Posting
  - Internal Job Posting
  - Agency Referral
  - Advertisement/Publication
  - Personal Referral
  - Website
  - Other

- 2. \* Do you have a bachelor's degree in Urban and Regional Planning or Geography with a GIS Specialty?
  - Yes, Urban and Regional Planning.
  - Yes, Geography with a GIS Specialty.
  - · Yes, Geography.
  - Yes, in a field applicable to Planning.
  - I have a bachelor's degree in a non related field.
  - No, I have no bachelor's degree but direct experience.
  - No, I have no degree or experience in the planning field.
- 3. \* What level of proficiency do you feel you possess in Excel?
  - Advanced (i.e. writing formulas or macros).
  - Intermediate (i.e. creating Ynon complicated worksheets to include formula writing)
  - Beginner (i.e. inputting information into already created spreadsheets or creating a simple spreadsheet with no formulas)
  - I have had schooling or training but have not used.
  - I have no experience in Excel.
  - No Answer
- 4. \* Please describe any experience you may have with Urban/Land Use Planning and or Mapping Analysis in a municipal setting.

(Open Ended Question)

5. \* Please describe any experience you may have with GIS or related software.

(Open Ended Question)

- 6. \* How much experience do you have with GIS software, Planning, Mapping Analysis, etc.?
  - Over five (5) years of experience.
  - Between three (3) and five (5) years of experience.
  - Less than three (3) years of experience.
  - No experience.