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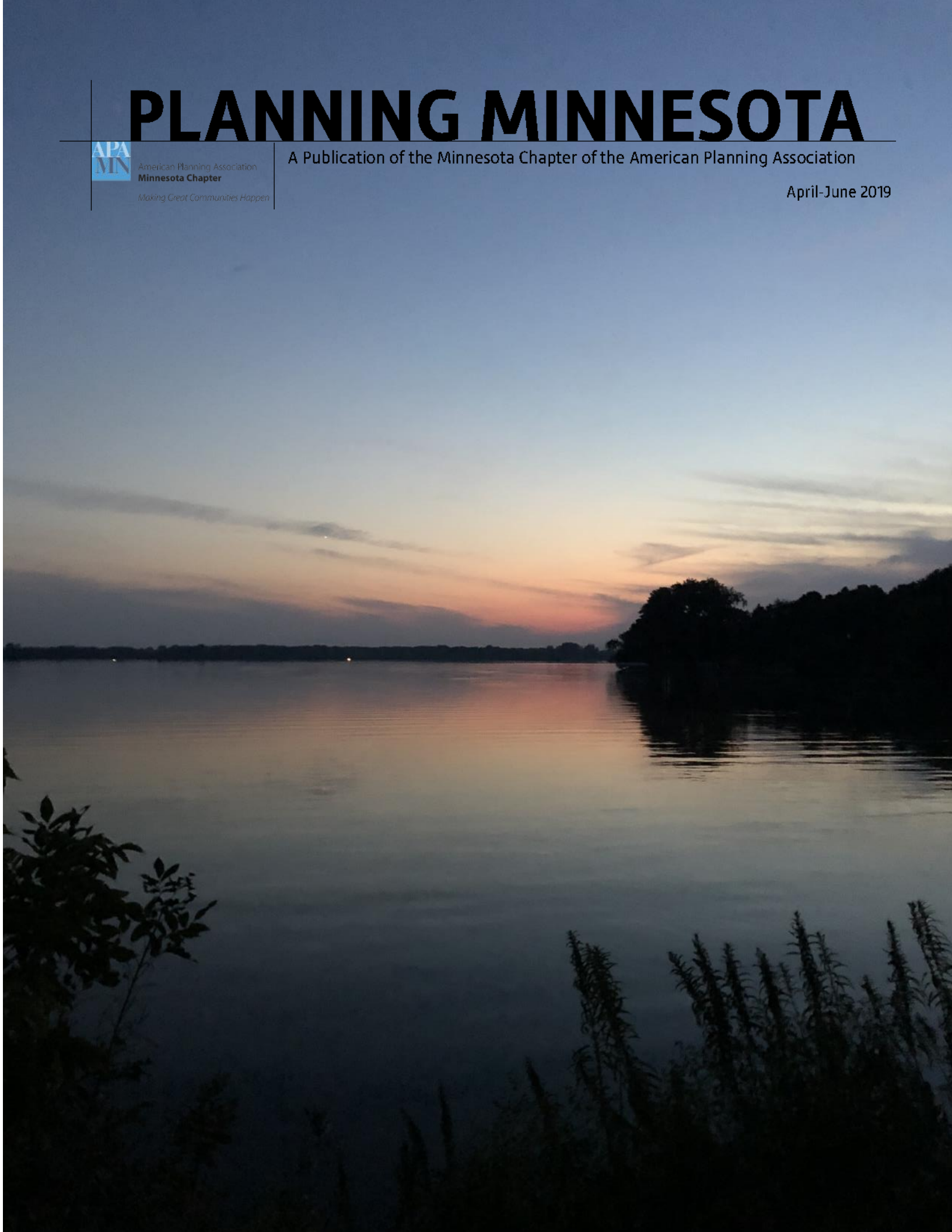


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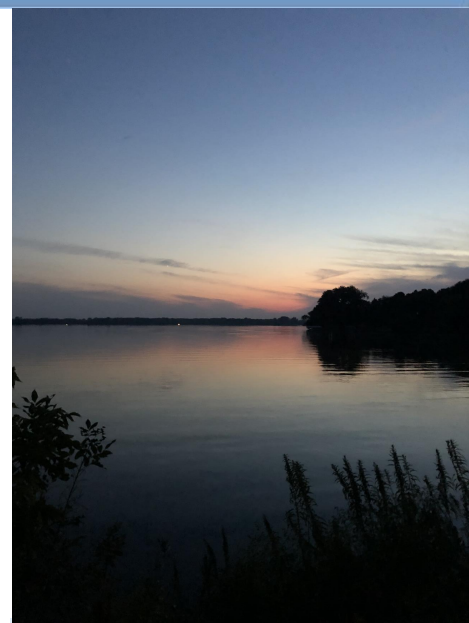
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CHAPTER UPDATES

President's Desk



From the President

Planning Connects Minnesota

To help frame the year, a theme to guide our work in education, policy advocacy, and networking has quickly emerged for 2019. Culminating in our marquee event in September, the Minnesota Planning Conference will spotlight our theme of "Planning Connects Minnesota". As Community Development Professionals and Planners, we are uniquely situated to create great spaces to interact. Our ability to convene and advocate present an opportunity to emerge as leaders.

Planning Connects Community Development: A Year of Partnerships

The APA Minnesota Board of Directors has placed a renewed emphasis on partnerships with like-minded community development organizations. While this topic has been discussed for a number of years, the Board took an important strategic step to leading this effort. The APA Minnesota Board of Directors has created two new ex-officio Board Positions for priority partners. We are excited to announce that we have begun to work with the Economic Development As-

sociation of Minnesota (EDAM) and the Sensible Land Use Coalition (SLUC) in a formal role. We are excited to have their perspectives on the APA Minnesota Board of Directors.

Planning Connects Policy

The APA Minnesota Board of Directors has also placed a renewed emphasis in policy advocacy for legislative and law issues. The Board has approved new leadership in the Legislative and Law Committee and reformatted our Planners Day at the Capitol, leading up to even more exciting changes in 2020. This year, our advocacy efforts focus on transportation policy.

Planning Connects Us

We also look forward to a renewed interest in networking events throughout the year, along with leveraging our new strategic partnerships with EDAM and SLUC. Keep an eye out for events to connect with other members throughout the year. Planning is underway for a Spring Networking Event (maybe Twins Game?), a new monthly Brown Bag Lunch/Webinar Series, and a large celebration in September celebrating our Sponsors, Equity and Diversity Committee, Legislative and Law Committee, Women in Planning Committee, and Young Professionals Group.





APA MN Chapter Events and Announcements

APA MN Planning Awards

Spring is finally here in Minnesota, which means it is time to think about APA-Minnesota Chapter Planning Awards!



The Chapter's planning awards provide an opportunity to recognize the outstanding projects and people who have contributed to the planning profession over the last year. Every year, the APA-Minnesota Awards provide a platform to share the existing work you, your co-workers and partners have contributed to with our planning peers. It's time to celebrate the magnificent work we do here in Minnesota!

The call for award nominations will be open through Friday, May 3rd at 5:00pm. See <https://www.planningmn.org/conference> for more information.

There are nine award categories for the 2019 Awards:

- **Innovation in Planning** – An innovative plan/project presents a visionary approach to addressing the needs of those it serves and applies to a variety of areas.
- **Excellence in Community Engagement** – Highlights an effort or project that provides a commitment to inclusive and productive engagement and incorporates that feedback into the planning process.
- **Partnerships in Planning** – Recognizes planning efforts that involved a partnership(s) between different organizations to facilitate an outcome that could not be accomplished by an individual organization.
- **Success Stories in Implementation** – Honors a project that successfully implemented the recom-

mendations of good planning in an inclusive and impactful manner.

- **Planning in Context** – Recognizes efforts that go above and beyond in the level of sensitivity of their surroundings, as well as the ability to embrace and take advantage of past, present, and predicted aspects.
- **Outstanding Student Project** – Highlights superior work that was produced by students that display originality, transferability, quality, collaboration and effectiveness. **This award is open to students in any planning program throughout the state!**
- **Gunnar C. Isberg Scholarship** – Awarded to an undergraduate or graduate student pursuing an education in the planning or planning related field in Minnesota who displays an excellent reputation and academic achievement, involvement in the planning field, and dedication to the profession. **This award is open to students in any planning program throughout the state!**
- **Peggy and Otto Schmid Award** – Honors a mid-career individual or group of individuals who contribute to the planning profession within and beyond Minnesota.
- **Lifetime Achievement Award** – Celebrates the career of a chapter member who has exhibited a dedication and commitment to the field over at least a 10-year period.

Awards will be presented on Wednesday evening of the 2019 Conference in Breezy Point. Representatives of the selected projects are invited to join us for a celebration of their work.

For more information about the 2019 MN APA Awards, please contact the Awards Chair Stephanie Falkers at sfalkers@srfconsulting.com. The Awards Committee looks forward to receiving many great nominations!

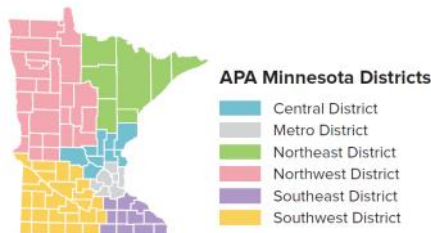
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2019 Student Poster Session

The Student Poster Session is back for the 2019 Conference! This session provides an opportunity for current students throughout the State of Minnesota to highlight their work and engage with planning professionals. A People's Choice Award will be given to one of the submitted posers. Watch out for more information about the student poster session on the conference website and contact Stephanie Falkers (sfalkers@srfconsulting.com) with questions.

APA MN Elections

APA Minnesota elects its Officers and District Directors in alternating years. In 2019, District Directors will be elected. We are inviting candidate nominations for the following positions:



- Northeast District Director (1 qty)
- Northwest District Director (1 qty)
- Southeast District Director (1 qty)
- Southwest District Director (1 qty)
- Central District Director (1 qty)
- Metro District Directors (3 qty)

Current job descriptions can be found here: [Greater Minnesota District Director](#), [Metro District Director](#)

If you are interested in running for a leadership position, you may sign up at the [APA nominations website](#). Candidates' position statements and optional headshots are due by April 24, 2019. Online voting will begin in July. If you have never used the nominations website, choose "Sign Up Here!" to register.

APA National Planning Achievement Award

Congratulations to Madeline Dahlheimer (Peck) of Bolton & Menk, Burnsville, MN, winner of the APA's 2019 National Planning Award for Public Outreach—Silver for Parker the Planner: A City Planning Story. She was one of 20 achievement award recipients selected by the APA for 2019, recognizing good planning work. Achievement award recipients are collectively recognized at the National Planning Conference's awards luncheon.

Parker the Planner, a City Planning Story is one in a series of children's books developed by design firm Bolton & Menk that introduces the design professions to a young audience. Readers follow the adventures of Parker Perez, a child living in the city with no sidewalks or places to play. As a result, Parker sets out to build his own city. The book translates technical information into a relatable and easily understood format that expands the reader's knowledge and perspective of the built environment. The firm has coordinated book readings, and distributed books to schools and clients and at community events.



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APA MN Spring Workshop

Bloomington South Loop District Walking Tour

Friday, May 10, 2019

12:30 – 4:30 pm | Registration at 12:15

The tour starts promptly at 12:30 in the lobby of the [AC Hotel by Marriott Bloomington](#)

Please join us on a walking tour of recent and upcoming redevelopment projects in Bloomington's South Loop district! On this exclusive mobile tour, you will learn about Bloomington's efforts to transform the South Loop from a traditional, large block suburban environment to a mixed use, walkable, and transit-supportive neighborhood. The tour will feature the key players involved, including planning staff from the City of Bloomington and other development professionals, and the planning and design decisions that helped make these projects come to life.

Attendees of the event will:

- Walk and ride Blue Line LRT between recently constructed sites and hear from site developers, engineers, and designers on the challenges and opportunities including: airport impacts, the pros and cons of the proximity to a major destination (MOA) and leveraging the benefits from four LRT stations.
- Learn more about Bloomington's efforts to redevelop the South Loop as a walkable, transit-supportive neighborhood.
- Learn about Bloomington's use of creative placemaking to transform the South Loop physically, socially, and culturally, while preserving the adjacent national wildlife refuge.

Suggestions for lunch options nearby before event include the restaurants in MOA, JW Marriott, Radisson Blu, and Hyatt Hotel. The tour will wrap up by 4:30 p.m. and a happy hour will follow at Venn Brewing Company to recap the day. This event has been approved for 4.0 CM credits (Course #9175189).

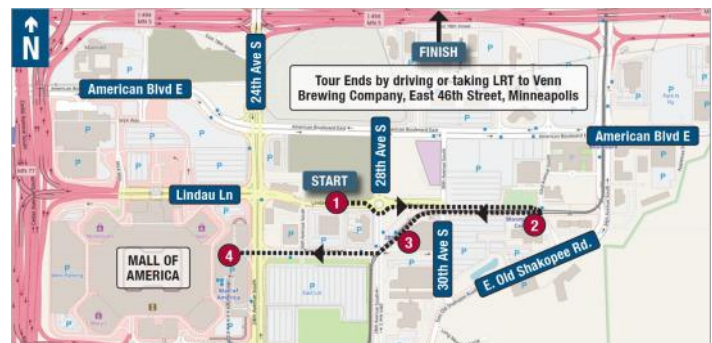
Parking and Transit:

Event parking options include: AC Hotel ramp, MOA ramp, or 28th St Park and Ride. The AC Hotel is also served by the Blue Line LRT, and Routes 5, 54, 515, 540. Attendees can get to MOA and walk to hotel via Red Line or MVTA routes 444 or 495.

Please [RSVP](#) ahead of time, as space is limited.

Registration fees are \$45 for APA members, \$50 for non-members, and \$15 for students.

We hope to see you on May 10th!



APA MN Chapter Events and Announcements (continued)



APA MN Brown Bag Lunch Seminars

APA Minnesota's Professional Development Committee is hosting a series of Brown Bag events throughout the year. Upcoming Brown Bag Lunch Seminars are as follows. Additional information and sessions will be coming soon.

The health and vitality of people and the communities they live in are interdependent. Communities prosper with healthy people.

Presenter: Denise Engen, Hennepin County Community Works
Tuesday, April 30, 2019 | Noon - 1:00 p.m.
Roseville City Hall (Aspen Room)

Click [here](#) to register

Minneapolis 2040: Race, Place and Equity

Presenters: Paul Mogush and Heather Worthington, City of Minneapolis
Tuesday, June 11, 2019 | Noon - 1:00 p.m.
St. Louis Park City Hall (Council Chamber)

Click [here](#) to register

Learn more about the Brown Bag Series
<https://www.planningmn.org/brownbaglunchseminars>



APA Minnesota Legislative and Law Committee 2019-20 Legislative Priorities

APA Minnesota's Legislative and Law Committee will begin identifying its 2019-2020 legislative priorities during a May 3 committee meeting. **All chapter members interested in shaping the direction of APA Minnesota's legislative efforts are welcome to attend!**

Friday, May 3, 2019 | 2:00 - 3:30 p.m.
Crown Roller Mill Building
105 Fifth Avenue South
Minneapolis, MN 55401

We will be meeting in the City of Minneapolis Innovation Center, on the first floor of the Crown Roller Mill, behind the waterfall. When the event concludes, we'll meet at a local pub for networking and socializing. Please sign-up at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/apa-mn-legislative-and-law-committee-meeting-registration-60303666891>. If you have questions about APA Minnesota's Legislative and Law Committee, please contact its co-chairs:

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Student Director and Young Professionals Group

AICP Candidate Program

The AICP Candidate Program is in full swing. This pilot program allows graduates of planning programs to apply for and take the AICP certification exam before completing the required professional experience. This is a great way to take this important step in your planning career while you still feel like a student! Those who pass the exam earn the "AICP Candidate" credential, and become fully certified once all other requirements are met.



More information is available at <https://www.planning.org/aicp/candidate/>

Minnesota Planning Program Updates

Minnesota State University - Mankato

URSI Celebrates Merger with the Department of Government

On March 1, 2019, the Urban and Regional Institute (URSI) celebrated its merger with the

Department of Government. With a focus on local government, faculty from URSI and Government worked to combine the



Master of Arts in Urban Studies and Public Administration programs and extend course offerings in Urban Planning and Local Government Management. The merger retained the Masters of Arts in Urban Planning (MAUP) program and created a new degree in local government management, the Masters of Local Leadership and Management (MLLM).

SURSI Career Activities

Students of the Urban and Regional Studies Institute (SURSI) are hosting a career preparation workshop with New Brighton City Manager Dean Lotter and consultant Liza Donabaur on April 18. Students will have the opportunity to prepare their resumes for job applications, practice interview skills, and learn more about how to conduct themselves in the workplace. Contact Andrew Stromme, SURSI President, with any questions at andrew.stromme@mnsu.edu.

On February 19, URSI held its annual Career Day event. This year's panelists included Russ Wille of the city of Saint Peter, Courtney Kietzer of the city of North Mankato, and Dean Lotter of the city of New Brighton.



Developing Community Organizers, Researchers, and Planners Club (DCORP)

Effective March 20, 2019 the St. Cloud State University Student Organization: "Community Planning Association Club" will be changing our name to "Developing Community Organizers, Researchers, and Planners Club" (DCORP). The new name recognizes that planning requires insight from all backgrounds and the name change incorporates the club's new found core

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pillars.

Two DCORP executive officers (Jeremy Dunn, president and Nichole Bredeson, treasurer) will be attending the 45th Arrowhead Model United Nations Conference in Mankato, IL to experience international planning policymaking. Students are submitting a mock UN resolution which incorporates a Community Composite Score Index.

DCORP is seeking speakers and presenters for various events in-person or via skype. Opportunities are as early as April 8 as well as next fall and winter. Contact DCORP president, Jeremy Dunn, with interest at jdunn1@stcloudstate.edu.

University of Minnesota Humphrey School of Public Affairs

*Fayola Jacobs joins
MURP Faculty*

The Urban and Regional Planning program at the Humphrey School will welcome a new faculty member in Fall 2019. Fayola Jacobs will start as an assistant professor in September. With a master's degree from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and a PhD from Texas A&M, Jacobs is an environmental planner whose research and teaching focuses on climate change, disaster recovery, resilience, and environmental justice. Jacobs is currently working in a post-doc position in [The CREATE Initiative](https://create.umn.edu/) (<https://create.umn.edu/>) at the University of Minnesota.

Building Health Event Series

In the spring of 2018, the Humphrey School Planning

Student Organization applied for and received a grant from the University of Minnesota Institute on the Environment to host a series of student-led events entitled "Building Health: Working Together for Sustainable, Healthy Communities." Over the past year, these events have convened experts from across disciplines to discuss connected and automated vehicles, designing for wellbeing, issues related to water, and more. Some of the events provided CM credits, and provided a venue for engagement between practitioners and students.

PSO is always looking for guest speakers and panelists, and can be reached by emailing planstu@umn.edu.

Young Professionals Group Update

The 2nd annual APA-MN Mentorship Program is underway! There are 34 participants who were matched in 17 pairs this year. The program is free to APA-MN members thanks to generous sponsorships from Kimley-Horn, WSB, and Stantec. Each sponsor hosted an event for program participants. The final event for this program year took place in April.

The Young Professionals Group (YPG) will launch the 3rd annual APA-MN Mentorship Program in the fall of 2019. The program is designed for APA-MN members in the Twin Cities metropolitan area, but the YPG is happy to match APA members with a mentor or mentee in their local area. Please inquire with the YPG co-chairs Leila Bunge and Emily Goellner if you are looking to make a connection with a planner in your local area or if you are a young professional interested in planning the Mentorship Program for the upcoming year!

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Emily Goellner, City of Golden Valley



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In Memoriam

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Robert (Bob) Davis

A wonderful kind man—a great friend and workmate—a guy with a real sense of humor. These terms were used to describe Robert (Bob) Davis of Minneapolis, a professional planner who passed away February 4, 2019. Felled by Progressive Supranuclear Palsy, a rare neurodegenerative brain disease, Bob endured his last years in assisted living facilities and a nursing home, visited nearly daily by his wife Linda and often by other family members.

Raised in Kandiyohi County, he graduated from Willmar High School, while belonging to his church choir. After earning his bachelor's degree from the University of Minnesota, he pursued both his profession in New Jersey and a Master in Urban Planning from Rutgers University. Later, as senior planner in Brown County, WI, he developed plans for parks and other public projects and became a lifelong Green Bay Packers fan.

Upon returning to Minnesota, Bob focused on regional comprehensive planning at the Metropolitan Council for 28 years. After leading a team to develop the Council's solid waste policy plan, he eventually became manager of the Council's comprehensive planning department. He was dedicated to defending the Metropolitan



Urban Service Area against inappropriate expansion requests. Bob came to appreciate especially his Metro Mobility card when he looked forward to meeting the different drivers of the wheelchair accessible van who transported him to his adult day program.

Driving for pleasure, Bob traveled extensively and enjoyed camping and the outdoors. Though his various homes and his cabin benefitted from his handyman skills, he also loved golfing, boating, and building models of cars, ships, and planes. He enjoyed music and singing, good food and wine, and reading. Bob especially took pride in his gardens and plants.

Bob was preceded in death by his parents and by his brother Richard. He is survived by his wife, Linda Schutz, his sons Mark and Michael from his prior marriage to Patricia Davis, his brother Paul Davis, and his sister Shirley Martin, along with many other relatives and friends. Arrangements to be announced at a later date. Memorials preferred to CurePSP, Elder Voice Family Advocates, or Struthers Parkinson's Center.

Bob is remembered especially by his friends and colleagues at the Metro Council. General comments included, "Bob was dedicated to the planning profession and always put the agency's mission and region's well-being first." "He was always thoughtful, prepared and well organized – a skilled professional." Bob Davis will be missed by the planning profession.

[Obituary for Robert C. 'Bob' \(Schutz\) Davis](#)

Honoring Past Planners

APA Minnesota would like to honor individuals who have contributed to the planning profession in Minnesota, both past and present.

If you are aware of someone who should be featured in the newsletter, please [let us know](#).

DISTRICT NEWS: FOCUS ON CENTRAL

Benton County Comprehensive Plan

Text and photos by Roxanne Achman, AICP – Department of Development Director Benton County



Like many counties, Benton County has been due for a Comprehensive Plan update for some time now. The process began in 2014 when the previous Department of Development Director was able to secure funding to make such a feat happen. While the funds were available, it continued to be a project that was forever on the back burner until late 2017 when it was finally time to dive in. In April 2018 Hoisington Koegler Group, Inc. was hired to assist in the update of Benton County's 2006 Comprehensive Plan and update of the Development Code.

One of our first attempts at reviewing the existing plan to discover what was outdated, what was in conflict with our vision of Benton County and what worked well for our County, included focus group meetings with representatives from many aspects of our rural, agricultural way of life. The focus groups consisted of 5-10 representatives from each of the following communities: Environmental, Farming and Economic Development. We held focus group meetings with the Benton County

Planning Commission, Board of Commissioners, Park Commission, Township Officials and city representatives from each City within Benton County. This process informed us that while our Comprehensive Plan was due for an update, it was still very relevant to Benton County's vision of maintaining a rural agricultural community.

Through these focus groups we found that it was important for the Comprehensive Plan to add language to protect Benton County's aggregate resources and other natural amenities, expand our economy, embrace new technology (energy, communication and transportation) and recognize the importance of a healthy community.

From a staff level, it was critical that we worked closely with the township officials as they are the eyes and ears for each section of the County. We held at least six group and /or individual meetings with 12 townships. The majority of townships participated to some degree and the concerns were minimal. The greatest concern came from one township; expressing concern with an overlay district; for Urban Growth Area adjacent to a City.

An Urban Growth Area (UGA) is an overlay that attempts to control urban sprawl. They have been a part of Benton County's Comprehensive Plan since its original adoption in 1999; however, there was a perceived notion that the boundaries were put into place around all seven cities within the County without the knowledge or input from townships and that the UGA is a way to



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assist cities in annexing township property. While I can't speak to the process that occurred prior to the adoption of that plan, I can speak to the importance of planning for future land uses and future city expansions. Three out of the seven cities have entered into orderly annexation agreements with their adjacent townships to accommodate for responsible, orderly growth, thereby, taking those areas out of the UGA and out of the County's zoning jurisdiction. For the remaining areas, the county has a responsibility to plan for and identify the UGA.

Minnesota State Statute 462.3535 Subd. 4 Cities; urban growth areas. (a) The community-based comprehensive municipal plan for a statutory or home rule charter city, and official controls to implement the plan, must at a minimum, address any urban growth area identified in a county plan and may establish an urban growth area for the urbanized and urbanizing area. The city plan must establish a staged process for boundary adjustment to include the urbanized or urbanizing area within corporate limits as the urban growth area is developed and provided municipal services.

While this particular Township felt the City would not grow into their area within the next 20 years, as the County, we had a responsibility to discuss the anticipated growth, being sure to be clear that growth is not always initiated by a city and can often come in the



form of a property owner choosing to sell their land to a developer or investor that will need city services. After two presentations to the City Planning Commission, they decided to recommend to their City Council that the Urban Growth Area be removed as there was no anticipated growth into this particular Township.

While this was not the outcome that many planners would particularly desire, I take solace in that our process of communication and involvement with townships and community representatives will result in a Comprehensive Plan that will be representative of the needs of our community. We anticipate adopting the Benton County 2040 Comprehensive Plan this June.



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APA Division News: Focus on Water

Water and Planning Network

Water is becoming an increasingly important topic not only in planning, but in a diverse range of fields. The American Planning Association understood the need to approach this broad and challenging subject by starting the conversation across a host of professions all dealing with the same issue. As a result, in 2017 the Water and Planning Network was officially launched at the National Planning Conference after the work and recommendations of the Water Working Group which formed in 2014 was complete.

The mission of the [Water and Planning Network](#) (WPN) is “to provide a professional forum for the interdisciplinary exchange of ideas and planning methods and will operate as a communication and information sharing network to connect members to the best planning practices that reflect current research, science, policy, and technology regarding the protection, management and use of water resources and utilities.” In essence, the WPN serves as the platform to gather and exchange information to improve how we use and treat water.

WPN operates under the principles of “One Water”, or more formally Integrated Water Resource Management (IWRM). “One Water” looks “holistically at the planning and management of water supply, wastewater, and stormwater systems.” All water within a watershed is connected and does not consider our political bounda-

ries as it moves. Land use decisions impact our watersheds, which can have an impact on our neighboring communities with the quality, demand, and supply of water. By applying “One Water” approaches to our daily decision making, we can create more sustainable and resilient communities while conserving natural waters and the related ecosystems. By making these decisions with a diverse group of stakeholders at the table, ranging from water utility representatives to researchers in the field we can make the best possible decisions. A network that brings everyone to the table is the focus of the WPN.

The group’s first major milestone for bring water conscious professionals together was the Water and Planning Connect Conference held in September 2018. The conference was a two-day specialty conference, the first of its kind for APA. The event focused on the relationship between land use planning and design and water resource management. The WPN wants to continue this momentum and grow the network with more interested professionals. We encourage you to fill out this [form](#) to join the Water and Planning Network! Follow us on Twitter at [APA@WPN](#) for news and updates. Together we can work towards building connections that will advance the “One Water” approach to improving our communities.



RESOURCES AND REPORTS

Statewide Pedestrian Plan

People throughout Minnesota value safe and convenient places to walk in their communities. In March, the Minnesota Department of Transportation kicked off its Statewide Pedestrian System Plan. The SPSP will help MnDOT identify investment needs for people walking along and across the state trunk highway system. It will also ask people what they expect of the places that they walk.

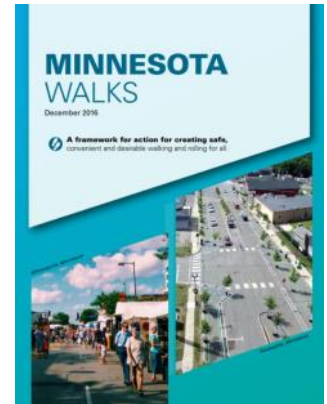
MnDOT understands the urgency of improving places for people to walk in Minnesota given a sustained, troubling trend of crashes involving people walking. While the plan will not result in immediate, on-the-ground changes to address safety, it will push MnDOT to evaluate how decisions are made about places where people walk when projects occur. More immediate work on improving safety for people walking in Minnesota can be found on [MnDOT's website](#).

The goals of the plan are to:

- Tell the story of why pedestrian networks are an important part of the state's transportation system and about the benefits they bring both to individual communities and the state as a whole.
- Develop a system to prioritize pedestrian investments on the trunk highway system that relies on

equity considerations, land use context and public engagement results among other factors.

- Translate the [Minnesota Walks](#) vision into MnDOT-focused policy tools, implementation guides and training opportunities to make Minnesota a safer, more convenient and more desirable place to walk.



Connecting with people across the state will be an important part of this work. MnDOT, working with Alta Planning + Design, Kimley-Horn and New Publica will develop an engagement plan that offers numerous opportunities for people to connect and share their thoughts on safe walking. Particular care will be taken to connect with priority populations identified in Minnesota Walks. Engagement opportunities will be posted to the [project website](#) and shared through local networks before each event.

Your ideas for how MnDOT can make it safer, more convenient and more desirable to walk along and across the state highway system are needed! Please contact [Jake Rueter](#) with suggestions or questions that you might have. We look forward to connecting with you!



Resources and Reports (continued)



The **PlanIt** News Blast provides resources, Metropolitan Council updates, answers FAQs for comp plan reviews and amendments, and connects the regional community to events. Below are some updates for this month.

PlanIt Podcast: [Episode 23: Environmental Reviews – Kristin Mroz](#). We often hear about projects that have to go through an environmental review process, such as a stadium or light-rail projects. However, environmental reviews encompass much more than high profile projects. Many housing developments, highway improvements and stream realignments are also subject to environmental review. In this episode, Kristin Mroz from the Environmental Quality Board (EQB) discusses different types of environmental reviews, the requirements, and the steps needed to complete this process. Additional information and resources mentioned throughout the episode can be found on the EQB's [Environmental Review Program website](#).

Minnesota Solar Permitting Training Workshop: Ramsey County is hosting the 2019 Annual Minnesota SolSmart Solar Permitting Best Practices Workshop on **April 17, 2019, 12:30 – 3:30 PM**. This workshop is designed for City and County Permitting, Inspections, Engineering, and Maintenance staff in the Metro and State of Minnesota. This year's workshop will be special in that it will recognize the Council's

achievement as the first Regional Organization in the country to become SolSmart-Designated, the Metro's 12 SolSmart-Designated Communities, and the 13 others currently working toward SolSmart Designation. [Register for this free event](#).

Metropolitan Council invites input on census

tracts: The Council is reviewing and updating the boundaries of census tracts and block groups for the seven-county metro area that the U.S. Census Bureau will use from 2020 to 2029. [Local elected officials, neighborhood and district councils, nonprofits and other groups that use census data can have input on the 2020 tracts and block groups through April](#). In the metro area send questions, comments, and requests concerning census tracts and block groups to Paul Hanson at paul.hanson@metc.state.mn.us or 651-602-1642. Comments and requests should be submitted by **April 30, 2019**.

The metro region Clean Energy Resource Team (CERTs) has some free-of-cost, easy-to-use energy efficiency resources for local communities and residents:

The [Saving Watts and Drops](#) resources help utilities and communities distribute easy-to-install, energy and water saving products, such as sprayers, faucet aerators, showerheads, LED bulbs, and advanced power strips.

The [Right Light Guide and App](#) consists of tools that help communities and individuals find just the bulb they need, reducing cost while increasing energy efficiency

Resources and Reports (continued)

New Groundwater Information Available in Interactive Map

The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) has partnered with the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) to deliver data related to drinking water through the Watershed Health Assessment Framework (WHAF). This helps:

- Connect groundwater and drinking water data with surface water and watershed information.
- Connect local governments and interested citizens to important GIS data without needing special software.
- Connect and build shared understanding of groundwater quantity, quality, and human health.
- Connect groundwater management decisions and decision makers to the best available information from partner agencies.

Some of MDH data in WHAF is not accessible anywhere else. It is useful for groundwater planning, particularly

for agency staff and local partners working together on comprehensive watershed management plans.

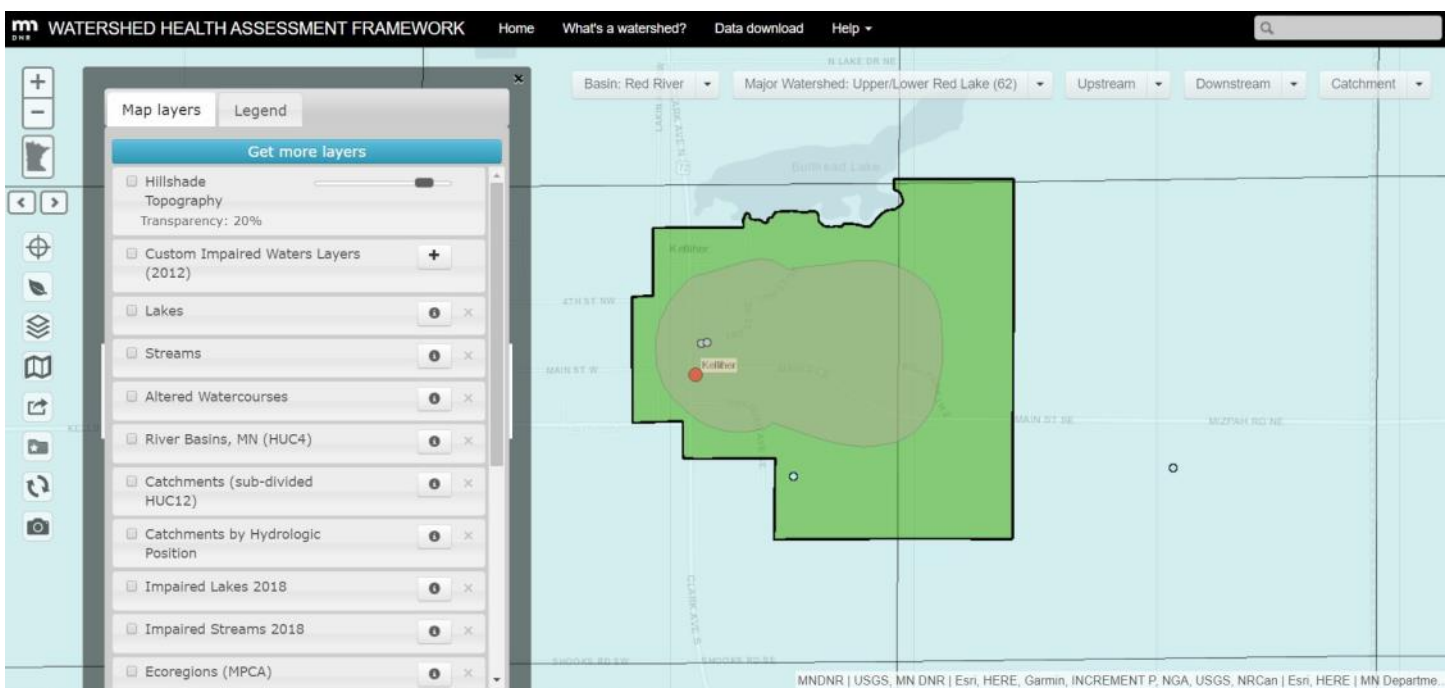
The information is also available in the Groundwater Restoration and Protections Strategies (GRAPS) report, though is designed to be more broadly accessible.

Data layers available for viewing and downloading include GRAPS:

- Wellhead protection status
- CWI Max Arsenic (ug/L)
- CWI Max Nitrate (mg/L)
- Wellhead Protection Areas
- Drinking Water Supply Management Areas (DWSMA)
- DWSMA Vulnerability
- Water Wells Per Section

More information about each layer can be found [here](#).

The WHAF is available online [here](#).



Resources and Reports (continued)

Design Your Town

[Design Your Town](#) is an interactive, web-based resource for citizen planners, professionals, and anyone concerned about the quality of the community where they live. The extensive material on the website is organized around three, color-coded themes:

- Nature – the underlying green infrastructure of resources and open spaces that shape development
- Links – the networks that promote connectivity and mobility of all kinds
- Complete Communities – the land use patterns and building types that create neighborhoods.

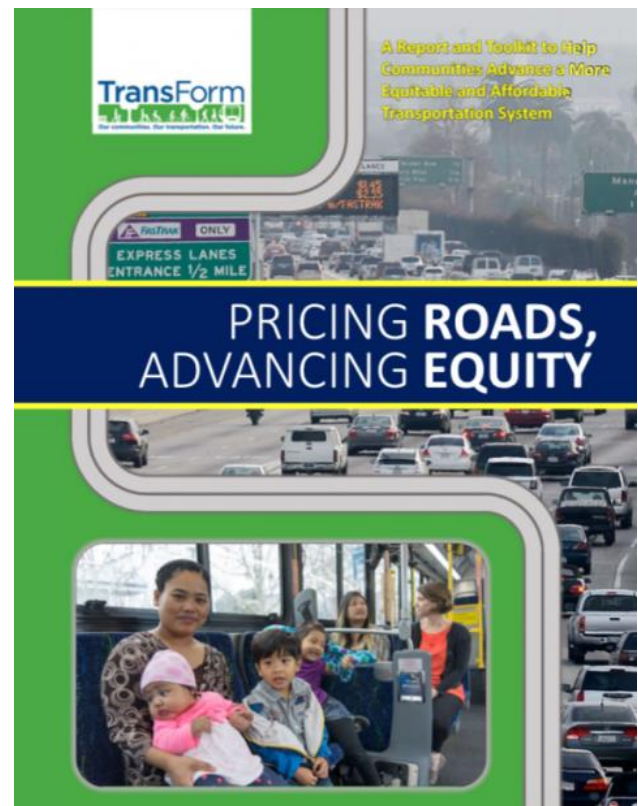
These three themes are used to organize the website which covers where to grow, what to do, and how to do it. It includes best practices for downtowns, the edges of downtowns, corridors, crossroads, new neighborhoods and rural places.



Road Pricing Equity Toolkit

A new report and toolkit helps policymakers and equity advocates apply comprehensive analysis to road pricing, considering affordability, accessibility and community health, and identifies way to achieve equity goals through pricing reforms.

A growing number of jurisdictions are considering road pricing to reduce traffic congestion and raise revenue. These proposals often raise equity concerns. [Pricing Roads, Advancing Equity: A Report and Toolkit to Help Communities Advance a More Equitable and Affordable Transportation System](#), by Stuart Cohen and Alan Hoffman at [TransForm](#), challenges policymakers and equity advocates to apply comprehensive analysis to road pricing, and identifies various strategies to achieve equity outcomes, considering affordability, accessibility, and community health.



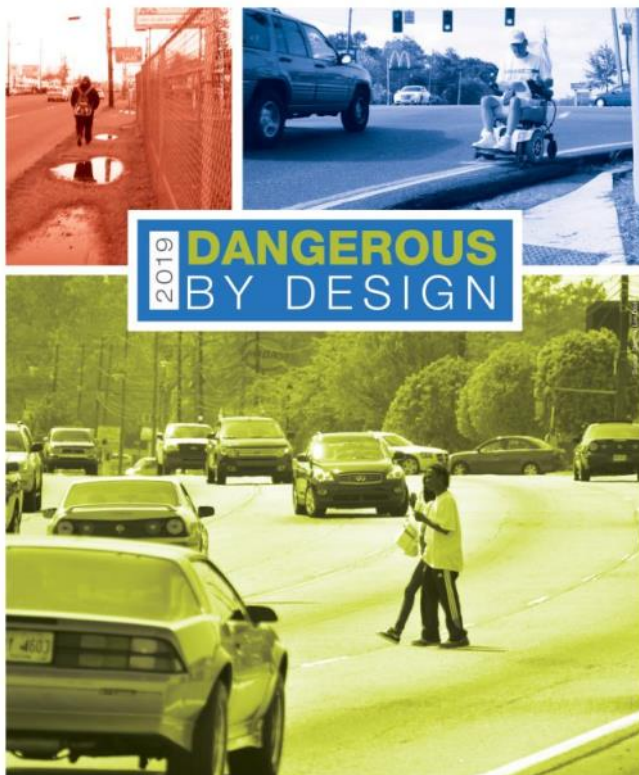
Resources and Reports (continued)

Dangerous By Design

Smart Growth America (SGA) recently released its 2019 edition of [Dangerous By Design](#), highlighting the dangers that pedestrians face due to metropolitan areas not being built for walking.

The study shows that between 2008 and 2017, 49,340 pedestrians died in crashes nationally, an equivalent of a person every hour and 46 minutes. The number has been rising in recent years, even as deaths of motor vehicle passengers declined.

The report argues that this is a result of poor design decisions that discourage walkability, some of which happen at the policy level. The report recommends specific solutions, including the passage of policies requiring planning organizations to more consistently include streets as part of their urban-design policies, as well as to stronger funding for such efforts.



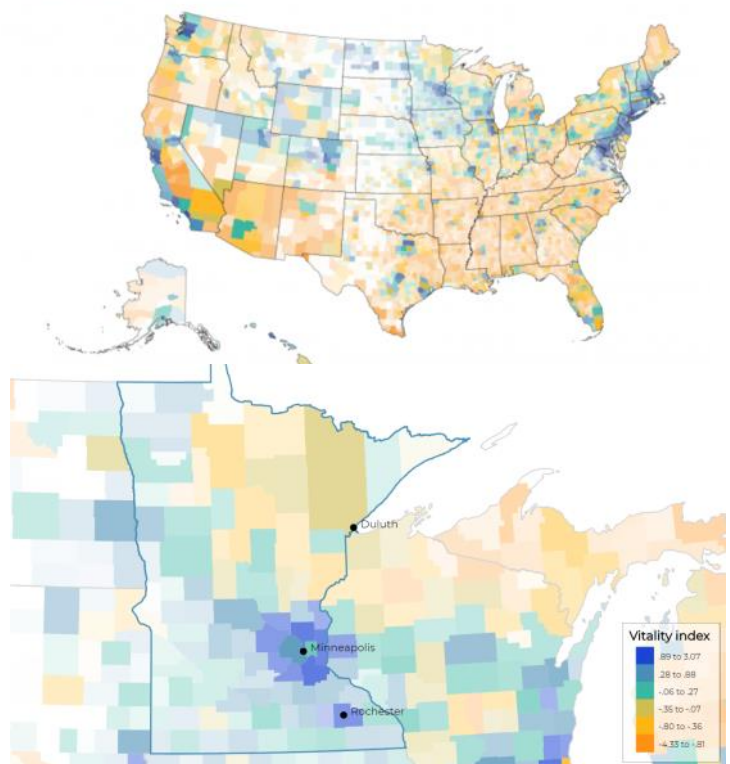
The Geography of Prosperity

The [Hamilton Project's Vitality Index](#) is a measure of a place's economic and social wellbeing. It combines a county's median household income, poverty rate, unemployment rate, prime-age employment rate, life expectancy, and housing vacancy rate.

This tool allows users to explore—down to the state and county level—where and how places are struggling or thriving throughout the United States. Gaps in employment rates, along with gaps in other variables like life expectancy and poverty rates, are immediately evident when comparing thriving places with struggling places.

Americans in many ways experience a different economy based on where they live, generating substantial gaps in life outcomes. The site also includes research and reports that explore the differences in more detail.

Vitality Index by County



JOB OPENINGS AND RFPS

Job Title: Community Development Planner

Hiring Agency: Northwest Regional Planning Commission

Deadline for Application: May 10, 2019

Salary Range: DOQ

Web Site for Hiring Organization: www.nwrpc.com

Job Description:

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PLANNER

Northwest Regional Planning Commission, the regional planning agency for the ten-counties of northwest Wisconsin, has an opening for a Community Development Planner. The position will be responsible for assisting local governments with development of community and regional based plans including recreation, land use, environmental, transportation, and other planning related activities. In addition, the position will be responsible for writing grants and may be involved in economic development activities.

Applicants should have knowledge and experience in research techniques, planning methodology, meeting facilitation, and municipal and county processes. The position requires excellent oral and written communication skills, the ability to work independently and as a team, and be able to manage multiple projects.

Preferred education includes a Bachelor's degree in planning, geography, natural resources or closely related field with a Master's Degree desirable, plus experience in the field. Must possess or be able to obtain a Wisconsin drivers' license. Salary D.O.Q and includes an excellent benefits package. Position start date is June 2019.

Application Instructions: Send cover letter and resume to

Northwest Regional Planning Commission, 1400 S. River Street, Spooner, WI 54801, Attention: Director, or email cover letter and resume to info@nwrpc.com by May 10, 2019. EOE.

Job Title: Planning and Zoning Director

Hiring Agency: Clay County

Deadline for Application: Open until filled



Salary Range: \$32.52-\$35.04 per hour

Web Site for Hiring Organization: <https://claycountymn.gov/jobs.aspx>

Job Description:

1. Develop, maintain and administer County Comprehensive Plan and other related plans by conducting research, collecting and evaluating data, exploring alternatives and working with outside sources to complete technical and financial analyses.
2. Develop, maintain and administer relevant County zoning, subdivision, and environmental ordinances by researching current laws and regulations to determine the need for development of new or revision of existing ordinances.
3. Develop and prepare staff reports for Planning Commission, Board of Adjustment and County Board packets for meetings.
4. Maintain contact with State legislators, State and Federal regulatory agencies, other counties and advocacy groups
5. Supervision of staff.

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Application Instructions: TO BE CONSIDERED FOR THE POSITION, SUBMIT THESE MATERIALS**

Clay County application and resume must be submitted for all County positions.

HOW TO APPLY

To obtain a Clay County Application, go to <http://claycountymn.gov>

To apply, follow the application link: Application

APPLICATION INFORMATION

If you are eligible military veteran and wish to claim Veteran's Preference, you must present a legible photocopy of your DD214 form to the Office of Human Resources. All veterans who are certified will be considered for appointment.

Job Title: Community Development Director

Hiring Agency: City of Wayzata

Deadline for Application: April 26, 2019, not later than 4:00 pm

Salary Range: \$91,318.17 to \$117,409.09, depending on qualifications

Web Site for Hiring Organization: www.wayzata.org/employment

Job Description:

Position Objective This is a director level position, responsible for developing, directing, and providing ongoing leadership and supervision in the planning, building, economic development, and historic preservation functions of the City. The successful applicant will be able to proactively and cohesively lead the department's many facets in alignment with the City's strategic plan and best practices. This position will work collaboratively with staff among all departments, advisory commissions, and the public to develop effective working relationships. Assists the City Manager in the administration and implementation of City policies, communication plans, projects, and other programs.

Essential Job Functions

- Performs complex and sensitive professional planning projects, research and analysis.

- Oversees planning functions such as large-scale new development proposals and planning studies.
 - Serves as staff lead for City's lakefront initiative, The Lake Effect, working with consultants, committees, and community.
 - Serves as liaison and performs all necessary functions in support of Planning Commission and the Heritage Preservation Board.
 - Serves as liaison and supports the Housing and Redevelopment Authority and its Executive Director on complex redevelopment initiatives such as Tax Increment Financing.
 - Manages community development department, including supervision of staff, managing department processes and procedures, prepares department budgets, and establishes goals for the department
 - Effectively communicates in a public forum regarding development items.
 - Develops and updates the City's Comprehensive Plan and other planning studies.
 - Acts as the zoning administrator, including managing interpretation and enforcement of City Code
 - Provides a leadership style which promotes collaboration, innovation, and a spirit of teamwork that fosters individual and organizational growth.
 - Performs research on possible programs, projects, grants, and legislation and reports on their feasibility and potential benefits.
 - Monitors legislation and trends for potential impact on the City.
 - Represents the City at various community events and regional commissions
 - Attends frequent night meetings.
 - Values relationships with community stakeholders and developers.
- Other Job Functions
- Confers regularly with, and keeps the City Manager informed of important matters pertaining to community development and other related functions.
 - Acts as the Acting City Manager and is able to lead city

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operations in the absence of the City Manager.

- Assumes responsibility for special projects as assigned by the City Manager.
- Performs other duties and assumes responsibilities as apparent or assigned.

Minimum Qualifications

- Bachelor's degree in Urban Planning, Urban Studies, Geography, Public Administration, Landscape Architecture or a related field.
- Five (5) years of experience in community development, and/or urban planning.
- Possession of a valid MN driver's license.
- Desired Qualifications
- Master's degree in Urban Planning, Urban Studies, Geography, Public Administration, Landscape Architecture or a related field.
- Experience in economic development and redevelopment.
- Two (2) years of supervisory experience.
- Experience with waterfront/lakefront development.

Application Instructions: Apply

Visit www.wayzata.org/employment to obtain an application and job description. All submissions require a cover letter, resume, and city application. Completed paperwork is due by April 26th no later than 4:00 pm. Direct correspondence to: City of Wayzata, Human Resources, 600 Rice Street East, Wayzata, MN 55391 or jkaufman@wayzata.org.

Job Title: Planner

Hiring Agency: City of West Fargo

Deadline for Application: May 3, 2019

Salary Range: Starting salary is \$52,882 annually.

Web Site for Hiring Organization: [http://](http://www.westfargond.gov/)

www.westfargond.gov/

Job Description: Please view job description on our website or the link here:

<https://nd-westfargo.civicplus.com/DocumentCenter/View/2591/Planner-Job-Description-PDF>

Job Title: Planning Intern

Hiring Agency: City of Dubuque, Iowa

Deadline for Application: April 22, 2019

Salary Range: \$10.09 hourly wage

Web Site for Hiring Organization: www.cityofdubuque.org/employment

Job Description:

DEPARTMENT: Planning Services

HOURLY WAGE: \$10.09

GENERAL STATEMENT OF DUTIES: Under the general supervision of Planning Services staff, performs a variety of technical, administrative and basic professional City planning assignments related to land use, development, City planning and historic preservation. Performs related duties as required. Assignments are received both verbally and in writing. Work is performed according to general or specific instructions from a supervisor who inspects work while in progress and upon completion.

EXAMPLES OF WORK

ESSENTIAL: Performs a variety of administrative, technical and research tasks related to development services, city planning and historic preservation activities; conducts research on development, planning and historic preservation issues and cases; scans documents into Laserfiche; compiles reports; organizes and distributes agenda packets for board, commission and committee meetings; performs data collection, analysis and tabulation; researches potential impacts to historic properties; performs GIS mapping functions; participates in field inspections to prepare staff reports or conduct research; responds to residents questions and service requests in a courteous, timely and equitable manner.

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KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES:

ESSENTIAL: Knowledge of the functions of City government; knowledge of land use planning and regulation; knowledge of diversity, equity and inclusion; ability to conduct independent research and to prepare written reports; ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with employees, board and commission members and the general public; skill in the use of computers and in the use of applicable software, including word processing, spreadsheet, presentation, scanning and GIS; basic drafting, mapping and graphic skills; analytical and communication skills.

ACCEPTABLE EXPERIENCE AND TRAINING: Some undergraduate coursework in planning, public administration, geography, architecture, historic preservation, or related field; experience working with a diverse workforce and population; or any combination of experience and training which provides the essential knowledge, skills and abilities.

OVERTIME STATUS: Non-Exempt

Application Instructions: APPLICATION: Please submit an employment application to the City of Dubuque Personnel Office, City Hall, 50 West 13th Street, Dubuque, Iowa 52001-4864 by April 22, 2019. The Personnel Office may be contacted at 563-589-4125 or citypers@cityofdubuque.org. The application and job description are available at www.cityofdubuque.org/employment. Women, minorities, veterans and qualified persons with disabilities are encouraged to apply.

AN EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

Job Title: Permitting Specialist

Hiring Agency: Novel Energy Solutions

Deadline for Application:

Salary Range: Competitive pay and benefits offered Web Site for Hiring Organization: www.novelenergy.biz

Job Description:

Summary/Objectives

Prepare, submit and ensure compliance with land use, environmental, construction and other permitting needs for utility-scale and distributed-generation solar projects.

Job Responsibilities

1. Obtain all permits for projects to the point where full construction can begin (including CUP/IUPs, building permits, stormwater, erosion, and others); prepare permit applications; create and maintain a permit tracking matrix with permit requirements for every project
2. Interface with owners of land on which we will build solar arrays
3. Document in writing all communication and approvals from permit authorities to mitigate the Company's risk in obtaining permits including but not limited to requirements, permissions, and approvals
4. Manage local law/code amendment processes
5. Communicate with subcontractors, regulatory agents, tenants, and clients
6. Develop and lead community outreach strategies
7. Manage government, agency, and consultant relationships
8. Communicate information orally and in writing to internal colleagues as needed to ensure accurate and timely workflow
9. Present to local planning commissions and work with governing authority staff to answer questions and obtain all necessary permit approvals in writing
10. Professionally communicate permit information and build confidence with external partners such as financiers, investors, buyers, and vendors.

Competencies

1. Technical or professional proficiency to be highly competent in their work
2. Problem-solving
3. Putting the team first, working well with others
4. Relationship building and Intrapersonal skills
5. Using Company tools and processes
6. Daily discipline of time management, learning on the fly, and accepting feedback
7. Delivers results consistently

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8. Creates a process for one's own work
 9. Creates a process for improving the work and incorporating into existing processes
 10. Process mapping
 11. Communication skills: Written and verbal communication Presentation skills Running meetings Email Conflict Management Building a Business Case Listening.
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Job Title: Associate Planner

Hiring Agency: Three Rivers Park District

Deadline for Application: April 15, 2019

Salary Range: \$23.14 - \$24.50 Hourly

Web Site for Hiring Organization: threeiverssparks.org

Job Description:

Three Rivers Park District is seeking to fill the position of Associate Planner. This position is part-time, non-benefited (20 hours per week) and is responsible for supporting the Principal Planner and the Planning Department through the development of planning and community engagement initiatives.

Bachelor's Degree in Planning, Parks and Recreation, Outdoor Recreation Planning, Landscape Architecture, Civil Engineering or closely related field from an accredited college or university, OR four (4) years of relevant planning experience; OR any combination of education and relevant experience equivalent to the above. Must possess a valid class D driver's license.

Application Instructions: To apply, visit our website at www.threeriverssparks.org/employment. An online application must be submitted before 4:30pm on Monday, April 15, 2019.

Job Title: Manager, Planning & Community Development

Hiring Agency: City of Duluth

Deadline for Application: April 21, 2019

Salary Range: \$72,492.00 - \$98,856.00 Annually

Web Site for Hiring Organization:

<https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/duluthmn/jobs/2393902/manager-planning-community-development?pagetype=jobOpportunitiesJobs>

Job Description:

The City of Duluth's Planning & Economic Development Department seeks candidates for the position of Planning & Development Manager. The Manager will provide leadership and day-to-day guidance and oversight for the four teams in the Planning & Development division, including housing development, development and business services, planning, and grants and compliance.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES (OTHER DUTIES MAY BE ASSIGNED):

1. Supervise the development and administration of programs regarding community development and housing.
2. Prepare, control, and monitor the Division's budget, expenditures, and administration of grant funds.
3. Formulate, implement, review, evaluate, and amend policies, objectives, goals, and plans.
4. Coordinate the review, evaluation, and processing of applications for land use related actions in adherence with federal and state statutes, local ordinances, regulations, Comprehensive Plan, and accepted business practice.
5. Manage environmental review process, including ensuring compliance with federal, state, and local regulations and procedures; overseeing preparation of Environmental Assessment Worksheets and other environmental review documents and procedures; and preparing documents related to environmental determinations.
6. Identify and apply relevant statutes, ordinances, or regulations in response to specific questions or conditions; respond to questions and provide information to the public; provide explanation of and negotiate application requirements and issues; and make recommendations accordingly.
7. Attend meetings with project proposers, developers, boards, commissions, and staff to identify and resolve problems.
8. Direct, coordinate, and analyze the development of ordinances and resolutions for City Council consideration.

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ation and present specifics at Council meetings.

9. Effectively recommend the hire, transfer, promotion, discipline, suspension, or discharge of assigned employees.
10. Direct, coordinate, and analyze the development of studies, grants, programs, activities, and legislation.
11. Direct contract negotiations with sub grantees of the Community Development program and with the City's housing program agents.
12. Audit, monitor, and evaluate Divisional activities for effectiveness, sound fiscal management, and adherence to grant provisions, legal requirements, and Department and City policies.
13. Direct the submission of reports and recommendations to appropriate committees, agencies, and government units.
14. Direct citizen participation processes regarding Community Development and Housing programs.
15. Maintain communication with, and serve as liaison to, the Duluth Economic Development Authority, City Planning Commission, City Council, HRA Board of Commissioners, and other appropriate review bodies, agencies, officials, and other City personnel and units as required.
16. Respond to inquiries, requests, and complaints as necessary.
17. Prioritize, assign, and direct the work of assigned staff, including establishing work standards, effectively recommend employment action, hire, discharge, etc., provide performance evaluations, delegate authority and responsibility, train, and communicate instructions and information.
18. Perform the duties of Land Use Supervisor as assigned and as provided in Chapter 50 of the City code.
19. Other related duties may be assigned.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

A. Five (5) years of increasingly responsible experience in the administration of land use regulations, planning, urban development, or equivalent and a Bachelor's Degree from an accredited college or university with major course work in planning, public administration, geography, urban design, natural resources, business administration, or related field.

Job Title: Business Developer

Hiring Agency: City of Duluth

Deadline for Application: April 21, 2019

Salary Range: \$58,524.00 - \$68,100.00 Annually

Web Site for Hiring Organization:<https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/duluthmn/jobs/2394130/business-developer?pagetype=jobOpportunitiesJobs>

Job Description:

The role of Economic Developer is to work on residential and commercial development and redevelopment projects, expanding opportunities for business and housing growth in the city.

Under supervision, direction, and guidance, the Business Developer will assist with the implementation of community economic development goals established by the City of Duluth and Duluth Economic Development Authority. The Business Developer will work to create jobs and increase the tax base through activities designed to expand existing businesses and develop new businesses.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES (OTHER DUTIES MAY BE ASSIGNED):

1. Administer, manage, and implement specific programs and projects through established policies, procedures, and objectives that develop new, and expand existing, business.
2. Evaluate business needs and match those needs with available resources.
3. Evaluate the creditworthiness and feasibility of projects or developers which are being considered for financial assistance and take action based on the conclusions.
4. Monitor the fiscal and developmental performance of businesses that receive assistance and take all necessary steps to ensure compliance with development objectives.
5. Prepare applications and administer economic development incentive funds, grants, and loan programs in a manner which ensures compliance with the terms

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and conditions of the assistance source.

6. Provide technical assistance for projects such as new infrastructure development, the redevelopment of substandard buildings and of polluted sites.
7. Assist on complex activities by conducting research and providing support materials for promoting business and industrial development projects and proposals.
8. Research applicable public and private funding sources and business data.
9. Prepare graphic and narrative materials for development proposals on subjects such as job training, labor availability, site information, utilities, land ownership, public financing programs and community resources.
10. Organize and maintain a database of information for the preparation of proposals or contracts for business and economic development projects.
11. Provide information and assistance to the public, citizen committees, civic organizations, and other groups involved in business development activities.
12. Answer public inquiries and provide information on resources which meet the needs of businesses seeking assistance.
13. Provide professional and technical assistance on business development activities to City Boards and Committees.
14. Provide information and education on local business assistance programs to individuals, businesses and the public at large.
15. Perform market analyses for specific sites or neighborhoods and prepare and implement a plan in response to the conclusions of those analyses.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

A. Bachelor's degree in Public Administration, Business Administration, Urban Planning or related field AND 2 years of related professional experience; OR
B. Two-year degree in Business Administration or job-related field AND 4 years of related professional experience.

Deadline for Application: 4/22/2019

Salary Range: \$71,926 - \$98,592

Web Site for Hiring Organization: www.co.washington.mn.us

Job Description: Senior Planner serves in a lead role to provide specialized expertise in developing comprehensive long and short-range plans, projects, and programs in the area to which assigned; prepares plans, reports, recommendations, and grant proposals; takes appropriate action, and reports the results of the actions taken.

EMPLOYMENT CRITERIA

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: This position requires a Bachelor's degree in urban planning, geography, economics, business administration, marketing, public administration or a similar field directly related to research, analysis and project management and five (5) years of related experience, or equivalent.

CORE COMPETENCIES, JOB SPECIFIC KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES REQUIRED FOR SUCCESSFUL JOB PERFORMANCE

Core Competencies outline essential business and professional traits necessary to perform this job.

- Promotes a diverse, culturally competent, and respectful workplace
- Demonstrates knowledge of state and federal laws, rules and regulations impacting county government
- Demonstrates knowledge of planning and research and analysis principles, methods and techniques, including knowledge of the principles of computerized information systems and user data
- Demonstrates knowledge of county decision-making process, policies, and procedures sufficient to expedite complex projects and to communicate with internal clients and to establish and maintain the trust of key decision makers

Application Instructions: For details and to apply please go to the Washington County website by 4/22/19.

www.co.washington.mn.us

Job Title: Senior Strategic Planner

Hiring Agency: Washington County

Job Openings and RFPs (continued)

Job Title: Senior Planner

Hiring Agency: Outagamie County, Appleton, WI

Deadline for Application: Open until filled

Salary Range: \$62,483.00 - \$78,499.00

Web Site for Hiring Organization: <http://www.outagamie.org>

Job Description:

Outagamie County (Appleton, WI) is seeking a Senior Planner to help lead the growth, development and preservation for a county located in one of Wisconsin's fastest growing metro regions. The position is located in vibrant downtown Appleton, recently named one of the best places to live in the US (2019 - <https://livability.com/best-places/top-100-best-places-to-live/2019/wi/appleton>).

This is a professional planning position primarily responsible for conducting and administering both long range and current planning and associated implementation efforts. This position requires the discretion and judgment in matters related to work procedures and policies of the work unit, must perform complex research and analysis of planning data, and will serve as lead planner on complicated planning projects, including long-range comprehensive planning updates and amendments and other corridor, district and area-wide plans. Under the supervision of the Development & Land Services Director, develops plans, programs, policies and ordinances related to the preparation and implementation of the County Comprehensive Plan and affiliated plans. Performs related duties including preparing reports, presentations, writing grant proposals, collaborating with various county departments and units of government, providing information and assistance to the general public and others, etc.

The full job description & application details can be found here: <https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/outagamie/jobs/2384401/senior-planner?keywords=senior%20planner&pagetype=jobOpportunitiesJobs>.

Job Title: City Planner

Hiring Agency: City of Waterbury

Deadline for Application: Until filled or sufficient applications

Salary Range: \$85,000-\$120,000

Web Site for Hiring Organization:
<http://www.waterburyct.org/content/9569/9605/9625/default.aspx>

Job Description:

CITY PLANNER POSITION AVAILABLE CITY OF WATERBURY, CT (Population 110,000)

Located only two hours from New York and Boston off of interstate 84, Waterbury is a great location to live, work, learn and play. Waterbury, Connecticut, is a city that's going places. With a highly skilled workforce, a robust infrastructure, and manufacturing companies that have re-invented themselves to adapt to the new economy. Waterbury neighborhoods are thriving with new schools. Businesses are being motivated to come to town. But the real gift to the region is the cultural flavor that remains in the neighborhoods established by early immigrants, which gives Waterbury its diverse personality, rich traditions, and highly engaged people.

The City Planner performs highly responsible, professional and administrative work. This position directs, actively manages and leads the Planning Department which includes: Land Use, Wetlands and Zoning Enforcement. The Planner is responsible for short- and long-term planning needs of the City including the City Plan of Conservation and Development which was last updated in 2015 and will require updating by 2025. Supervises and assigns work to the three Land Use Officers who assist with development plans and permits and enforcing zoning and inland wetland regulations. Works with and provides advice to the following Boards and Commissions: City Plan Commission, Zoning Commission, Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Commission, and Zoning Board of Appeals.

Qualifications:

Master's degree in planning or related field from an accredited college or university with major course work in urban planning, regional planning, urban design, public administration, business management or a closely related field, plus five years of increasingly responsible experience in comprehensive urban planning preferably with a mid-to large-sized municipality, including two years of administrative and supervisory responsibility; 6 additional years of responsible planning experience is acceptable in lieu of Masters' degree; AICP certification preferred

Compensation and Application Process

Open Competitive Examination for: City Planner-Salary Range \$85,000-\$120,000

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Excellent Fringe Benefits. This position has a Three (3) year contract provision per City Charter

To Apply you must complete an application which can be found on the website at: Home Page of Human Resources - Click on City Planner for details & instructions <http://www.waterburyct.org/content/9569/9605/9625/default.aspx>

The application can be found at bottom of Human Resources Home page or with [this link](#)

Or visit Civil Service Office, Chase Municipal Building, 236 Grand St., 2nd Floor, Rm 202 Waterbury, CT 06702 for application and notice of position.

Applications must be submitted via mail to office above or via email at mjamieson@waterburyct.org or fax to 203-574-8087. Copies of Degree or Transcripts and applicable Certifications must be submitted with Application

If you have questions about the position please contact our consultant-Ms. Randi Frank at randi@randifrank.com or 203-213-3722. See Profile on City Web Site or at www.randifrank.com

POSITION OPEN UNTIL FILLED OR SUFFICIENT APPLICATIONS RECEIVED

City of Waterbury is an Equal Opportunity Employer-E.O..E. M/F/H/V EEOP Utilization Report available upon request

Job Title: Physical Development Manager

Hiring Agency: City of Rochester, MN

Deadline for Application: Open Until Filled

Salary Range: \$101,388 to \$149,102 (see note in posting)

Web Site for Hiring Organization:<https://www.rochestermn.gov/departments/human-resources/employment>

Job Description:

The Physical Development Manager is a supervisory position responsible for the overall administration and management of municipal services related to transportation, transit, traffic engineering, parking, GIS and land development for the Public Works Department within the Engi-

neering Division. This position plays a critical role on the Engineering Leadership Team in supporting the City Engineer in providing leadership and visioning for the Public Works Engineering Division

Minimum qualifications include a Bachelor's degree in Urban Planning, Transportation Management, Engineering, Business Administration, or related field from an accredited college or university and seven years of increasingly responsible professional experience working in public transit, urban planning, and/or parking including at least two years of supervisory experience. Valid driver's license.

Desirable Qualification

Master's degree in one of the fields listed above National-ly recognized job-related certifications such as: Certified Community Transit Manager; Certified Administrator of Public Parking; or Certified Parking Professional.

Starting salary \$101,388 to \$119,279 annually depending on qualifications, with advancement to \$149,102

Applications will be accepted until the vacancy is filled.

For more specific information and to apply online, please visit our website, www.rochestermn.gov.

Equal Opportunity Employer

Application Instructions: Online applications are required. Visit the City of Rochester's website and Employment page for more information.

<https://www.rochestermn.gov/departments/human-resources/employment>

Job Title: Project Managers - Economic Growth & Community Investment

Hiring Agency: Rochester, MN

Deadline for Application:

Salary Range: \$75,217 to \$88,490 depending on qualifications, with advancement to \$110,614

Web Site for Hiring Organization: <https://www.rochestermn.gov>

Job Description:

Job Openings and RFPs (continued)

An exciting opportunity exists within the City of Rochester for strategic-thinking and collaborative individuals to help shape the City's economic growth and community investment initiatives related to Destination Medical Center as Project Managers.

Four (4) Project Manager positions are available in the following areas:

Transportation, Infrastructure and Planning (2) Special Initiatives (1) Women and Minority Owned Business Program and Legislative Compliance (1)

The Project Manager is an advanced-level professional providing administrative, analytical, and management support services for the Destination Medical Center Initiative. Work includes directing all phases of assigned projects which have substantial dollar investment, complex coordination requirements, and implementation problems. This individual will coordinate project efforts with other divisions, departments and agencies and will be expected to administer third-party contracts with outside consultants and service providers.

Minimum qualifications include a Bachelor's degree in Engineering, Architecture, Business Administration, Economics, Management, Public Administration, Urban Planning, Construction Management or closely related field from an accredited four-year college or university AND three (3) years of full-time project management experience including capital improvement projects.

Licenses and/or Certifications
- Valid driver's license

Desirable Qualification
- Project Management Professional (PMP) Certification.

Starting Salary is \$75,217 to \$88,490 depending on qualifications, with advancement to \$110,614.

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