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About the cover: This is not our typical photo showing some of the beauty throughout Minnesota. This photo is from the 17th Century Canal Ring in Amsterdam, a historic and modern testament to city planning. Editor Jonathan Maze visited the city in February, and came home with this month’s cover photo and several others.
The APA-MN Chapter Board welcomed several new District Directors in 2016! We are excited to cordially welcome Erin Perdu, AICP, and Patrick Boylan, AICP as our newest Metro District Directors, and Lew Overhaug as Southeast District Director! Also, welcome to Chloe McGuire Birgl, our newest Student Representative. Thank you for running, and we greatly appreciate the new faces on the board!

The board recently completed our retreat and the following work tasks topped the list of priorities for 2016:

1. Increase membership by focusing on student and young professional engagement. A constant priority of our organization, we feel like we can always be better at outreach to our schools and students, and our young professionals. We plan to engage directly with students from St. Cloud State University as part of the conference, rejuvenate our young professionals group, and continue to plan relevant and fun networking activities.

2. Revamp Communications. We have been tasked to re-evaluate how we communicate with members and continue to use new technologies and methods to constantly be engaging our membership.

3. Rejuvenate Mid-Day Forums (Brown Bags). These educational events are convenient and easy to get a quick case study or training opportunity. The board is re-prioritizing these events for 2016.

Believe it or not, it’s time to think about 2017 elections already. We will open nominations for the executive board positions (President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer) on April 1st, so consider upping your contribution to our chapter by running for an executive position. If you have questions about what it takes or entails, please feel free to contact me. I have greatly enjoyed my tenure and would highly recommend contributing in a leadership position. Also, don’t forget to submit a session for the Fall Conference (www.plannersconference.com). The deadline is March 18th, and they promise to allow no extensions this year!
Twenty members of APA-Minnesota’s NE Sector took part in a tour of the new Pier B Resort located along Duluth’s waterfront on Friday, February 5th. Representatives from the development team gave a tour of the 140-room hotel building, which will include twenty boat slips with direct access to St. Louis Bay and Lake Superior. The complex development project involved the participation of many public and private entities to address site issues and the reconstruction of a portion of the seawall. The hotel will open in the spring of 2016.
Minnesota Design Team a Source for Community Engagement

The City of Dayton hosted a visit by the Minnesota Design Team (MDT) in October 2015. For those of you who are not familiar with MDT, it’s an all-volunteer organization that was created to assist in community planning. The MDT assists communities in visioning, planning and design based on input and participation by the community.

The Minnesota Design Team has three main objectives:

- To create an awareness of the role of design in the development of communities.
- To help with preservation of a community’s identity by constructing a sustainable vision using existing assets.
- To demonstrate a commitment to community participation and grassroots initiatives.

Dayton’s MDT visit started with a group of dedicated citizens with a singular goal of securing a visit. This group worked together for a year preceding the visit finding 18 host families, booking facilities, advertising and promoting the event, fundraising, compiling research for team members and hands on support to the team during the weekend long event. Promotion of the event was our largest task knowing that to be successful we needed resident’s participation. We did this through the use of a new logo (thanks to JLG Architects) to brand the event. This logo was plastered over the city’s website, project Facebook page, nextdoor.org, local newspaper, posters and direct mail postcards to all residents. This Dayton by Design logo will continue to be used as we enter into our 2040 Comprehensive Plan update.

The visit was a great success with over 150 residents participating in the Friday night community supper and conversation and 80+ returning for the unveiling of ideas, concepts and plans on Saturday.

The greatest benefit of the visit was the community engagement led by this dedicated group of volunteers who came to Dayton to help us understand and better articulate our vision for Dayton’s future without any perceived ideas, opinions or baggage about Dayton. The work of MDT is dependent on the info they learn during Friday’s community presentations and community conversation. During the conversation the team asked five questions and used the responses to create new concepts, plans and visions for Dayton:

- Name your favorite place in Dayton?
- What 3 new services/amenities would you use in Dayton?
- What do you hope Dayton will look like in 20 years?
- Knowing that Dayton is growing, how do you want it to grow?
- Describe or name a place that could serve as a good model for Dayton?

Saturday morning the MDT members got to work locking themselves inside the same elementary school for 10 straight hours to dream up simple messages, bold ideas and breath-taking drawings and sketches. The MDT presented to the community and afterwards all 18 team members were available for questions. It was
a night worth celebrating; and celebrate we did.

Twenty boards were designed and created based on Friday nights input and voting results. These boards provided insight and education on how Dayton is growing, choices for how to grow and ramifications of these different choices. Boards presented ideas on how to maintain and preserve the rural landscape alternatives on how to protect

Other boards presented concepts for redevelopment areas such as Balsam Lane and the Historic Village. The community desires access to the rivers so concepts illustrated numerous ways to open up the view of the rivers, with improved access and use of the river by canoe. Plans for improvements to Cloquet Overlook may result in some of the first implementation steps for improved views and access to the river. A concept plan for Stephens Farm is taking shape with trails, prairie landscape and an amphitheater to serve as a central gathering spot for Dayton. All of these ideas are concepts that reflect the ideas and visions shared by Dayton residents. While they are conceptual they illustrate what Dayton residents care about.

As the City Planner I believe the MDT visit benefitted Dayton the most through the fresh ideas the team articulated based on community input. They also effectively communicated messages and provided education to the community with new voices. While some of the information was not new, having an outside perspective, and expertise of these professionals, helped reinforce important considerations for the future of Dayton.

The visit also brought renewed energy and focus on the importance of planning that will be extremely useful as we enter into our next comprehensive plan update. Dayton has a long list of engaged citizens wanting to stay involved to start implementing some of the ideas starting with the low hanging fruit.

I would highly encourage your participation in a Minnesota design team visit. The experience is both exciting and challenging. To learn more visit http://www.aia-mn.org/get-involved/committees/minnesota-design-team/

Tina Goodroad, AICP
Planning and Development Director, City of Dayton
Rep. Roz Peterson (R-Lakeville) has introduced a bill that would require cities to allow “temporary family health care dwellings” as a permitted accessory use.

HR 2497 prohibits cities from requiring a conditional use permit or an interim use permit for temporary family health care dwellings. This was one of the bills the House pre-introduced on Jan. 29 (see related article).

The main motivation behind the bill is to provide transitional housing for seniors. For example, if a family wanted to keep a close eye on grandma while she recovers from surgery, they could have grandma stay in a temporary family health care dwelling in the yard or driveway.

Bill specifics
The bill requires a permit from cities before installing a temporary family health care dwelling. The introduced bill provides specific permit and renewal amounts of $100 and $50, respectively (but the bill authors say these amounts may change). The introduced bill also provides that the initial permit would be for one year and the renewed permit would also be for one year (but the bill authors were willing to shorten both time frames to address city concerns of permanency).

The bill provides that the temporary family health care dwelling can be no bigger than 300 square feet and cannot have a permanent foundation. There can be only one occupant per temporary family health care dwelling and only one temporary family health care dwelling per lot. The bill also requires that temporary family health care dwellings must comply with all setback requirements.

The temporary family health care dwelling can only be on the property of a “caregiver” who is (1) a relative of the mentally or physically impaired person, and (2) providing care for the mentally or physically impaired person.

League of Minnesota Cities expresses initial concerns
League staff have been working with the bill authors and have expressed initial concerns. A letter outlining the League’s concerns was sent to the founder of Next Door Housing, an organization that is working with Rep. Peterson on the bill.

· View letter to the bill authors (pdf)

We need your help: Contact League staff member Irene Kao at ikao@lmc.org or (651) 281-1260 to let us know your reactions to this bill and how this bill might impact your city. The League will continue to work with the bill authors and can provide input based on what we are hearing from cities.

More information
For a more in-depth understanding of permitted uses or accessory uses, see the League’s information memo, Zoning Guide for Cities (pdf).
In recent months, there has been a lot of press about one of the recent trends in housing called tiny housing. Much of the interest in this topic is generated by the reality TV show Tiny House Nation where the renovation experts travel across America, showing off renovation and/or construction of small spaces. Tiny housing is being marketed to folks touting the following benefits:

The potential for financial freedom by significantly reducing mortgages;

The opportunity for a simpler, sustainable lifestyle – in part, simply because you can’t fit as many belongings into a tiny house;

A means to achieve energy efficiency, thus reducing one’s environmental footprint; and

A way to downsize.

What is a tiny house? While definitions vary, a tiny home is generally 100 to 400 square feet in area. The tiny homes are manufactured off site, often designed on trailers, and are referred to as park model recreational vehicles. If they are not on a trailer, they are referred to as industrialized modular buildings (by State Building Code). Tiny homes are considered a dwelling unit under the State Building Code and, as such, are required to meet the 2015 Minnesota Residential (Building) Code.

The 2015 Minnesota Residential Code defines a dwelling as a single unit providing complete independent living facilities for one or more persons, including permanent provisions for living, sleeping, eating, cooking and sanitation. By definition, a tiny house is a dwelling unit and regulated by this code. The code includes requirements for light, ventilation, heating, minimum room sizes, ceiling heights, sanitation, toilet, bath and shower spaces, emergency escape and rescue openings, means of egress, smoke alarms and carbon monoxide alarms.

Carolyn’s Corner: Going Small, Are You Ready?

Issues of tiny housing for planners

One of the most commons issues facing planners in regulating tiny houses is that their ordinance does not allow habitation of accessory structures. To address this, ordinances need to be amended to allow accessory dwelling units (ADU) as a permitted or conditional/interim permitted use. Another common issue is that many residential zoning provisions require a minimum dwelling size that would well exceed the size of a tiny house. In addition, there are often minimum property maintenance standards as well as State Building Code standards that are more restrictive than what the tiny homes could provide. For example, the State Building Code requires that every dwelling unit must have at least one habitable...
room of 120 square feet. Note, however, tiny homes of 80 square feet are being marketed. Many ordinances also require an additional on-site parking space.

Typical ordinance standards for tiny homes require that they are mounted on a permanent foundation and connected to utilities (sewer, water and electricity) as a basis for allowing long-term occupancy. In some cases, with concerns similar to those for recreational vehicles or manufactured housing, tie-downs (tornado or hurricane straps) are required to protect against “blowovers” and other wind-related damage to the occupants and to neighboring property owners. In addition, the tiny home must be consistent with character, materials, etc. of adjacent housing. (See picture 2 – Would that design be accepted in your community?)

(Insert photo #2 from web site of Tiny Green Cabins)

Meeting all of the state or federal standards for tiny homes certainly has the potential for driving up the costs of such housing. In a quick check on the internet, tiny homes run from $19,000 for a 64 square foot home up to as much as $150,000 for a home of 320 square feet. Many sites offer a home for a base price with things like toilets, headers, windows, lofts, and other accessories as additional costs. The implied benefit, however, is that tiny homes provide permanent housing whereas recreational vehicles – likely available at a lower cost – are intended as temporary housing.

Getting ready
Given all the variables, it would be worth your time to be proactive and have a discussion with your planning commission and council/board about this type of housing before you get a request so you have ample time for a thorough discussion.

And then there is this
A bill is being proposed this legislative session (HF 2497) that would require communities to allow ‘temporary family health care dwellings’ as a permitted accessory use. A temporary health care dwelling means ‘a mobile residential dwelling that provides an environment facilitating a caregiver’s provision of care for a mentally or physically impaired person’ who is a relative of the caregiver. As proposed, temporary health care dwellings must be:

- assembled off-site;
- limited to one occupant who is physically or mentally impaired;
- no more than 300 square feet in size;
- not be placed on a permanent foundation;
- be universally designed and meet state-recognized accessibility standards;
- be connected to water, sewer and electric utilities that are serving the principal dwelling on the lot;
- have exterior materials that are compatible in composition, appearance, and durability to the exterior materials used in standard residential construction;
- have a minimum insulation rating of R-15;
- be able to be installed, removed and transported by a vehicle; and
- have a measured height from ground level to interior floor that does not exceed fifteen (15) inches.

This legislation, in essence, allows tiny homes for health care. Do you have any thoughts on this proposed legislation? If so, please provide them to your area legislators or to members of the MnAPA legislative committee.
Water Resilient Cities Conference

First there was Toledo, now there is Flint.

Many of us have recognized the value of water for our cities for a long time, but the recent water crises in these communities make the point again: without access to clean and safe water, modern cities cannot function and people cannot lead healthy and prosperous lives. Water connects directly to our health, our economies and our infrastructure. With climate change, all of our communities are more vulnerable and will need new practices that include more collaborative, creative ways of governing our water.

I am writing to you to remind you about our conference that the Levin College of Urban Affairs is hosting this coming April 21-22, 2016 focused on water, climate change and resilience in the Great Lakes basin.

I would also appreciate if you help us spread the word about this conference with water and city enthusiasts in your network. (We found that our previous messages may have made it to your spam/junk box.) Please find a flyer attached to this message that you can use to inform your members and colleagues about the conference. We appreciate your assistance.

Our framework is water resilience, and we convene this conference to create an opportunity for conversations across professional and academic organizations, and among those working in:

- Drinking water
- Waste water
- Storm water
- Water technology industries
- Governance of urban water resources
- City sustainability and water
- Water equity issues

Environmental and land-use planning

We have lined up some exciting speakers who are nationally known. Registration and a call for presentations on best practices and relevant research are on our website. Early bird registration will close soon, so please act now. We invite you to come and share your best practices and talk about better ways to address threats and opportunities. Please visit the conference website for more information.

We are also very excited to be hosting a USEPA workshop on water and climate readiness modeling on the two days preceding the conference. You can find a link to information about the workshop on the conference web site too.

Be sure to check out the videos This is Cleveland, which features info about downtown Cleveland and a Cleveland Anthem. Come for the conference and stay for the weekend to explore Cleveland. If you haven’t been here for a while, you are in for a treat.

If you have any questions, please contact me, Dr. Wendy Kellogg, at water resilient cities the conference email.
2016 Upper Midwest Conference

The Minnesota Chapter of the American Planning Association (APA MN) is pleased to announce the 2016 Upper Midwest Regional Planners Conference, hosted by APA Minnesota in St. Cloud, MN. The conference will take place on September 28-30, 2016, at the River’s Edge Convention Center.

CONFERENCE THEME: The 2016 Conference Theme is Bridging the Gaps: Building Our Future Together. As we all know, Minnesota consistently ranks near the top when it comes to economy, education, health, and livability. Yet these outcomes and opportunities vary greatly depending on who you are and where you live. Our state and our region face some of the deepest and most persistent disparities at all levels, spanning race, income, employment, physical ability, age, gender, internet access, transportation, health, geography, education, environmental justice, housing, and food access. These inequitable gaps increasingly hinder the ability of people in certain communities to live up to their full potential. We hope to do better for all people in the Upper Midwest.

In practice of this year’s theme of bridging gaps we are working to increase the diversity of those in attendance. We welcome our interdisciplinary partners in the field - architects, developers, elected officials, engineers, public health and community advocates - especially people working for change in communities most affected by disparities. We extend a special invitation to the planners of the future - planning students and young professionals. As this year’s Upper Midwest Conference, we also invite our neighbors from Iowa and Wisconsin to join us to share how they are working for equity in their communities.

The program committee is seeking a broad range of sessions covering a diversity of presentation types and planning topics. The firm deadline for the proposals to be submitted will be March 18, 2016, with no extensions. We encourage all presenters to include the theme of the conference in their sessions and in their titles. Presentations that clearly address how the theme will be discussed during the session will be given preference.

Go to the website at www.plannersconference.com for more information and for the RFP forms. If you have any questions about the forms, please contact: Raya Esmaeili at raya.esmaeili@metc.state.mn.us or Michael Palermo at mpalermo@srfconsulting.com for General Sessions and Speed Sessions. Contact Scott Mareck at smareck@wsbeng.com or Angie Stenson at stenson@stcloudapo.org for Mobile Tours.

2016 APA-MN Planning Awards

The Annual APA-Minnesota Chapter Planning Awards offer a great opportunity to recognize outstanding projects and people that have contributed to the planning profession. The 2016 Conference Awards Committee is excited to introduce a new award category this year – Bridging the Gap: Advancing Equity in Planning.

The award coordinates with this year’s Conference theme and will recognize projects that have utilized deliberate strategies to advance equity and fairness in a neighborhood or community. Examples could address: accessible design, workforce development, affordable housing, access to transportation and/or employment opportunities, enhanced generation and cultural agility in the field of planning, etc. We’ll also again recognize projects in the following categories:

• Innovation in Planning
• Excellence in Community Engagement
• Partnerships in Planning
• Success Stories in Implementation
• Planning in Context
• Outstanding Student Project
• Gunnar Isberg Scholarship Award

Start thinking about your entries and watch for the Awards Submittal Application in mid-March.
MPCA Accepting Environmental Assistance Grant Applications

The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) is issuing four Requests for Grant Application (RFGA) to solicit projects for the Fiscal Years (FY) 2016-17 Environmental Assistance (EA) Grant Program.

Applications for financial assistance will be accepted starting February 16, 2016, for projects in the following four (4) Environmental Assistance Grant Rounds:

A. Burn Barrel Reduction (applications due date: March 15, 2016)
B. Greater Minnesota Recycling Collection (applications due date: April 13, 2016)
C. Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs) (applications due date: May 11, 2016)
D. Open Category Grants (applications due date: April 13, 2016)

Category 1. Communities Adapting to Climate Change and Extreme Weather
Category 2. City Sustainability Planning
Category 3. Green Chemistry and Engineering Principles in Curricula
Category 4. Reduce/Reuse/Repair
Category 5. Choosing Safer Products
Category 6. Source Separated Organics Composting Access and Training
Category 7. Electric Vehicle Charging in Minnesota
Category 8. Recycling Market Development

The deadline for application submittal for each of the four FY2016-17 EA Grant Rounds is no later than 2:00 p.m. Central Time on the due date.

Approximately $3 million is available for FY2016-17 EA grant awards to encourage outcome-oriented, economically-driven approaches to pollution prevention, waste reduction, toxicity reduction and resource conservation. Eligible applicants, grant award amounts and minimum matching fund requirements will vary by preferred projects. Each of the four FY 2016-17 EA Grant RFGA provides detailed information on requirements and the process by which applicants may apply for a grant. Each RFGA is available on the MPCA’s EA Grants Program webpage at https://www.pca.state.mn.us/about-mpca/environmental-assistance-grants. The webpage also provides downloadable application forms and links to applicable statutes and rules.

Each EA Grant Round is a competitive application process. Grant offers and awards are contingent on available funding, MPCA approval of final workplans and budgets, and the execution of Grant Agreements. Eligible applicants/applications will be evaluated and ranked by MPCA review teams to determine the projects that best meet the environmental outcomes outlined in the RFGA.

This notice is issued under authority provided in Minnesota Statutes § 115A.0716, subd. 1 and Minnesota Rules Parts 9210.0800 to 9210.0855. Applications must be electronically submitted by the applicable deadlines to grants-loans.pca@state.mn.us.

If you experience difficulty in accessing the MPCA webpage or in electronically submitting your application, please contact the MPCA at grants-loans.pca@state.mn.us (with subject line: “EA Question”) prior to the submittal deadline.
Climate Smart Cities Request for Proposals

Request for proposals from Minnesota municipalities. Application deadline: March 31, 2016

Opportunity: Accelerate your community’s pathway to a cleaner and more efficient energy footprint by partnering with an award-winning climate-smart community in Germany that wants to go even farther by learning with and from you.

The University of Minnesota and the German state of North Rhine-Westphalia (NRW) invite you to apply to a unique three-year program. Eligible are municipalities of any size from anywhere in Minnesota. There is space for three to four communities. Those selected will travel to Germany to tour sites that model integrated solutions, learn with their Minnesota cohort and German experts, and work with their community twin to accelerate their community’s pathway to a cleaner and more efficient energy footprint. The selected communities will share their progress and insights at conferences and community events in Minnesota. They will also have the benefit of working with their NRW twin community while a delegation of NRW municipalities and leaders visits Minnesota each fall.

Who should apply?
Municipalities anywhere in Minnesota and of any size with any of the following characteristics:

- You are planning to invest in renewable energy and energy efficiency measures
- You are facing a real energy related infrastructure need and need to develop comprehensive solutions that improve your city’s entire system
- You are trying to fix a water contamination problem and see an energy dimension in that issue
- You have developed a clean energy or GHG emissions reduction plan for your community and want to implement projects
- You are a member of the Green Step Cities program and want to accelerate your community’s transition to a cleaner energy footprint
- You want to explore energy solutions together with your area’s farms

The program includes sustained interaction with the internationally acclaimed climate-smart community Saerbeck (Germany), a poster child for continuously pushing the envelope on integrated solutions. Watch Saerbeck’s community approach. Download the full RFP (PDF) for detailed rationale, elements and expectations.

Apply today!

Upcoming Events and Webinars

Volunteer for a Minnesota Design Team Visit

MDT Cambridge Visit
March 31-April 3
How does a community transition from a nineteenth-century farming community to a twenty-first century city? That is the question that Cambridge has asked the Minnesota Design Team to help answer as they start working on a comprehensive plan. Cambridge is located at the intersection of two major highways (State Routes 65 and 95) and has a population of over 8,000.
Sign up today to participate on the Cambridge visit at https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1Vub6mI5c8TEkdAzFH1gGWxnPMqhTn8VdSg0ClukMuM/viewform

MDT Eyota Visit
April 14-16
Ever visited Eyota, Minnesota? Located only 15 minutes east of Rochester on Highway 14, it is the only city named Eyota in the United States! It evolved as a train-town along the Winona and St. Peter Railroad. Today there is tremendous growth projected for Eyota by the city of Rochester and Olmsted County. Eyota has funding available for projects and has a motivated leadership that sees the value in bringing the community together to chart their future long-range plan.

Sign up to participate on the Eyota visit at https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1I79iaFlxzb5OroMFTeeUNgUX-139XyRUnA0cLVdVU/viewform

Learn more about Minnesota Design Team at http://www.aia-mn.org/get-involved/committees/minnesota-design-team/mdt-volunteers/
Survey: Proposed 2016 APA MN Legislative Policy Platform

The APA MN Legislative and Law Committee has developed a draft legislative policy platform for the chapter based on input received at the 2015 state conference in Bemidji. The purpose of the platform is to guide committee and chapter advocacy for good planning principles in Minnesota.

The draft platform includes five planks:

**Sustainable Transportation** - Sustainable multimodal transportation enhancing access and mobility

**Livable Communities and Housing** - Livable communities made up of affordable and inclusive neighborhoods.

**Comprehensive and Statewide Planning** - Fundamental planning principles which incorporate intergovernmental cooperation, effective planning tools, and excellence in citizen involvement.

**Integrated Resource Planning** - Integrated renewable energy, local foods, and resilient planning practices which support Minnesota’s interdependent resources.

**Community Health** - Integrating public health into planning for equitable, sustainable and resilient communities.

APA MN plans to focus on one or two of these topics during the coming legislative session. We would like to encourage members to consider which topics are most important for the chapter to focus on by prioritizing the policy planks in this survey. The survey also provides an opportunity for feedback on every statement in the platform. This will help the Legislative and Law Committee determine the level of support within the chapter for each element of the platform before final approval from the chapter board.

Thank you for taking the time to review the platform and to take this survey. The survey will be open through Friday, March 11.

Assessing Affordable Housing Need Webinar

The Pennsylvania Chapter of the APA is sponsoring a free webinar entitled Assessing Affordable Housing Need: A Practical Toolkit on Friday, April 1, 2016 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM CDT.

Maintaining a variety of affordable housing types is a critical component of long-range community viability. This session will equip planners and public leaders with strategies for determining the type and volume of housing that is most needed, by whom and where, within the context of shifting demographics. The presenters will review affordable housing needs assessments they conducted in Colorado Springs, CO, the State of Washington and Westmoreland County, PA, and explain the approaches that were most successful in translating measured housing needs into community goals with targeted, practical action steps.

Chapter Elections

Nominations for officers for the Minnesota Chapter of APA will open on April 1, 2016. Give some thought to running for one of the offices -- President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer. The strength of the chapter comes from those members who are willing to provide volunteer time and leadership. Watch the website and email for information on April 1, 2016.

Minneapolis Community Connections Conference

Registration is now open for the 2016 Community Connections Conference:

Saturday, April 2
8 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Minneapolis Convention Center
Upcoming Events (Cont.)

The conference theme – Big Ideas: Your Minneapolis – invites you to join neighbors, community members, non-profit organizations, business leaders, and members of Minneapolis’ design community, developers and City and elected officials to think BIG about the future of Minneapolis.

The conference features three tracks:

Your City: The Community Connections Conference will be the kick-off for Minneapolis 2040, a three-year planning process for the City’s Comprehensive Plan. Minneapolis 2040 will be the City’s twenty-year vision to direct the logical and coordinated physical development of the city into the future. Learn about the Comprehensive Plan process and participate in discussions on the big ideas for the direction of the city on such topics as growth, equity, resiliency, economic competitiveness, and civic technology.

Your Neighborhood: The current neighborhood structure of the Community Participation Program is set to end in the year 2020. This is an opportunity for neighborhood organization staff, board members and residents to help plan a vision for the future of neighborhoods and their role in community beyond the year 2020.

Your Voice: Community engagement plays a crucial role in shaping City policy. This track will focus on how residents can engage with City leaders, learn how to serve on City boards and commissions and engage our cultural communities.

The conference is FREE and lunch will be provided. Visit the conference webpage for more information.

Want to share your BIG IDEA at the Community Connections Conference? Submit your interactive exhibitor proposal by March 2nd

The 2016 Community Connections Conference Planning Committee is seeking proposals for interactive exhibits from community and neighborhood organizations, planning agencies and firms and organizations involved in community planning or engagement in the fields of sustainability, transportation, placemaking, planning or engagement, and more!

Proposals will be chosen by the conference planning committee based on their applicability to the conference theme and level of interactive nature. Space in the Village Square is limited to 50 exhibitors. There will be no charge for selected exhibitors.

Deadline: Proposals are due by Wednesday, March 2nd.

Full proposal criteria can be found by downloading the Call for Interactive Exhibitor form. Proposals must be submitted electronically at the following link: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/GMDWJG6.

Planning and Preparing Ecological Risk Assessment

In this 2-day course, attendees will learn and review both the technical and regulatory approaches to completing ecological risk assessments. Participants will come away with an understanding of the planning and preparation process for the completion of an ERA, including data development needs, selection of endpoints, and the development of lines of evidence.

During the course, attendees will examine the development of ERAs in both aquatic and terrestrial settings, and will receive a broad overview of the ecological risk assessment (ERA) process as it is used in evaluating potential environmental risks and liabilities associated with hazardous waste sites. Emphasis will be placed on providing a hands-on understanding of ecological risk assessment using the basic ERA paradigm as outlined in USEPA’s Ecological Risk Assessment Guidance for Superfund (ERAGS). Case studies and active engagement with the attendees will be used to reinforce the points presented in lecture. The course will take place May 19-20 in St. Louis Park.

Read More

New Play About a Planner Coming to Town

If/Then is about starting over and the courage to fully explore life and the consequences of decisions.

Elizabeth has moved back to New York, nearing 40, she wants to start afresh and reboot her career as an urban planner. One day, following a peculiar experi-
Upcoming Events (Cont.)

ence in the park, she finds her future splitting into two: Liz and Beth. Liz seeks out new experiences and soon finds love with the dashing army doctor Josh. But what happens when everything isn’t quite happy ever after? Beth takes a different approach, and the chaos of life affects her all at once, but then, how can we regret truly living?

Opening night is March 8, 2016. See more at: http://www.minneapolis-theater.com/theaters/orpheum-theater/if-then.php

Central Social District Webinar

The Wisconsin Chapter of the APA is hosting a free webinar entitled The Central Social District - the Key to Tomorrow's Successful Downtowns on Friday, March 4, 2016 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM CST.

For decades, the terms Central Business District, CBD and downtown were used almost interchangeably because, functionally, downtowns were dominated by retail stores, office based businesses, professionals and government agencies, along with some hotels and maybe entertainment venues. Today, in downtowns large and small, the CBD functions are being rivaled or even surpassed by their Central Social District (CSD) functions. That includes housing, restaurants and watering holes, and vibrant entertainment niches that include not only venues for formal entertainments such cinemas, theaters, museums and concert halls, but also lively parks, plazas, and other gathering areas.

Your downtown’s competitive advantage is therefore changing in important ways. Looking beyond the draw of specialty retail and entertainment, innovative downtown leaders and community planners are seizing on the opportunity to re-brand and fully embrace the downtown as the "heart of the community" where people come to gather, celebrate, meet friends, and make new ones. Art venues, libraries, and a myriad of informal entertainment venues are seen as increasingly important components of downtown revitalization because they improve quality of life and create more vibrant experiences for downtown visitors. But how do they fit into the overall fabric of a downtown, both economically and physically? What other downtown assets can be leveraged and tied into these types of interventions?

This webinar will explain how the concept of the central social district (CSD) can be used as a planning tool to integrate new approaches into downtown in a smart, strategic way. Presenters will discuss downtown business niches and how they can be grown using the CSD concept. Case studies from two communities will illustrate how the CSD concept supports (and in fact drives) downtown economic development. Participants will also learn about innovative ways to help fund this next wave of downtown investment.

New Cottage Industry Webinar

The Small Town and Rural Planning Division is sponsoring a free webinar entitled The New “Cottage” Industry: Housing, Lodging, and the Sharing Economy on Friday, March 18, 2016 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM CDT.

The new Sharing Economy has enabled the availability of private short-term rental properties like never before. Web-based clearinghouses for short-term rentals, such as VRBO and AirBnB, have changed the economic and regulatory landscape of short-term rental markets. These changes are felt in municipalities of all sizes. While some communities experience strains on the availability of long-term rental housing, others value the short-terms rentals as a supplement to traditional lodging options.

This session will explore the relationship of the short-term rental sector of the sharing economy to land use and tax regulation and social and economic factors in resort and destination communities.

Social Hour with Students

Join students for a social hour at Town Hall Brewing in Minneapolis on Thursday, March 10 at 5:30 pm. Students in the Urban and Regional Planning and Urban Studies program will attend the social hour following a career event. We would love to meet alumni and local planning professionals!

Appetizers will be provided. RSVPs are encouraged.
Upcoming Events (Cont.)

We hope to see you there.

Tools for Equitable Development and Environmental Justice Webinar

Planning and the Black Community Division of the APA is sponsoring a free webinar entitled New Data Tools for Supporting Analysis of Equitable Development and Environmental Justice on Friday, March 11, 2016 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM CST.

Understanding the challenges and opportunities communities face—economic, social, and environmental—is a prerequisite for making investments that achieve their goals. To respond to this need, environmental justice stakeholders have begun developing analytical tools that can give communities rich and accessible information for supporting local goals for environmental protection and equitable development in cities and regions.

This webinar will cover two of these tools – EPA’s EJSCREEN, an environmental justice screening and mapping tool, and the National Equity Atlas a comprehensive data resource to track, measure, and make the case for inclusive growth developed by PolicyLink and the Program for Environmental and Regional Equity. The presentations will explain what these tools are, how they have been used in real world scenarios to advance equity in local and regional development practices, followed by questions and answers.

Job Opportunities and RFPs

Job Title: Planner

Hiring Agency: City of Minnetonka
Web Link: http://www.eminnetonka.com
Deadline: Feb. 29, 2016 at 8 am
Salary Range: $27.70 - $30.78 per hour

Job Description
The Planner is responsible for responding to public inquiries and land use complaints; enforcing the zoning ordinance; reviewing building and sign permits; preparing written staff reports; making oral presentations to the planning commission; monitoring and providing project management for land use applications; research projects; and GIS work. The Planner reports to the Assistant City Planner.

Application Instructions
For more information and to apply go to http://www.eminnetonka.com.

Job Title: Senior Planner / Principal Planner

Hiring Agency: Olmsted County
Web Link: https://www.co.olmsted.mn.us/Pages/default.aspx
Deadline: February 29, 2016 at 11:59PM CDT

Salary Range: $25.26 - $42.04 per hour
Job Description
2 positions available. Candidates may be considered at either the Senior Planner or Principal Planner level based on experience requirements.

Senior Planner
(Starting Salary Range $25.26 - $40.05)
Graduation from an accredited college with a Bachelor’s Degree in Planning or related field and three (3) years of experience at the Planner level.
-OR-
A combination of education and experience equivalent to seven (7) years of increasingly responsible professional experience.

Principal Planner
Job Opportunities and RFPs (cont.)

(Starting Salary Range $26.52 - $42.04 Hourly)

Graduation from an accredited college with a Bachelor’s Degree in Planning or related field and four (4) years of increasingly responsible professional experience.

-OR-

A Combination of education and experience equivalent to eight (8) years of increasingly responsible experience in a similar position as listed in the examples of work.

Desirable Qualifications: Advanced degree in Planning, Urban Design, Architecture, or closely related, and 10 years of increasingly responsible experience including public sector experience

Individuals required to use County vehicles and equipment must have a valid driver’s license and be free of any major traffic violations for the last three (3) years.

Under general supervision of either the Supervisor of Development Review Services or Planning and Analysis Division, analyze complex city or county development proposals, coordinate and represent Department response through written and verbal reports, serves as a liaison of the Department, conducts complex planning studies and performs professional planning work addressing such matters as transportation, land use, and environmental protection; performs related duties as required; includes application of technical and professional expertise with a high degree of professionalism.

Application Instructions
For a full job description and to apply, visit the Olmsted County website at https://www.co.olmsted.mn.us/Pages/default.aspx

Job Title: Riverfront Drive Corridor Study

Hiring Agency: Mankato/North Mankato Area Planning Organization
Web Link: https://www.mankatomn.gov/city-services-a-z/city-services-a-m/mankato-north-mankato-area-planning-organization-mapo
Deadline: March 1, 2016
Salary Range: NA

Job Description
The Mankato/North Mankato Area Planning Organization (MAPO) is seeking proposals from qualified firms to perform a Corridor Study for Riverfront Drive in Mankato, MN. The firm selected must have experience and expertise in corridor studies, planning, public involvement, level of service analysis, development impact review and a clear understanding of the MPO planning process and federal and state requirements.

Application Instructions
Email Paul Vogel at pvogel@mankatomn.gov for a copy of the request or visit MAPO’s website. Proposals are due Friday, March 1, 2016 by 4:30 p.m. to MAPO, 10 Civic Center Plaza, Mankato, MN 56001.

Job Title: Director of Planning and Development

Hiring Agency: City of Shakopee, MN
Web Link: http://www.shakopeemn.gov
Deadline: March 10, 2016
Salary Range: $104,577 - $130,722 DOQ

Job Description
The City of Shakopee, MN, (pop. 39,167), one of the state’s fastest growing communities, seeks an energetic professional with development expertise to be its Director of Planning and Development. Responsible for directing the City’s planning, economic development and building inspections functions; supporting the Planning Commission, the Board of Adjustments and Appeals, and the Economic Development Authority; and managing a $2 million budget and 11-member staff. Reports to the City Administrator and serves on the City’s management team. Bachelor’s degree in urban planning, economic development, business administration, public administration or a related field and seven years of increasingly responsible and diverse state or local government experience required. Must have supervisory experience and demonstrate success in conceptualizing and bringing development and redevelopment projects to fruition. Master’s degree in a related field and a combination of public and private sector experience are strongly desired. Must have strong communication, interpersonal and customer service skills. Salary range: $104,577 - $130,722 DOQ; comprehensive benefits package available.

Application Instructions
Submit cover letter and resume online at https://
waters-company.recruitmenthome.com/. This position is open until filled; however, interested applicants are strongly encouraged to apply no later than March 10, 2016. For more information please contact Sharon Klumpp at sklumpp@waters-company.com or by calling 651.223.3053. EOE.

**Job Title:** Planning/Landscape Intern

**Hiring Agency:** City of Blaine

**Web Link:** [http://www.ci.blaine.mn.us](http://www.ci.blaine.mn.us)

**Deadline:** March 11, 2016

**Salary Range:** $15.00 per hour

**Job Description**

SALARY $15.00/hour, no benefits.

Up to 24 hours per week, Monday - Friday (specific work days to be set upon discussion of the successful candidate and supervisor), 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Hours may vary as needed. Position is anticipated to start in May and will run until November.

**POSITION SUMMARY**

Under general supervision and direction of the Associate Planner, the Planning/Landscape Intern responds to the public regarding all current planning matters, performs site plan reviews, prepares drafts of planning cases for presentation to Planning Commission, and assists in related planning activities. The Planning/Landscape Intern also will provide technical assistance to contractors, City staff, and residents regarding landscaping requirements and relevant City regulations. This position participates in the landscaping escrow program and other duties as assigned.

**Duties and Responsibilities**

Provides support as a contact with the public on all current planning matters:

- Responds to requests from the public for planning information.
- Assists as resource planner at the Planning Department’s counter on a daily basis.
- Provides relevant information to public on zoning inquiries, platting requirements, and on each of the various planning procedures.
- Identifies and furnishes copies of relevant City ordinances to the public.

Assists with review of assigned site plans:

- Reviews site plans for conformity with applicable City ordinances.
- Recommends alternatives to improve proposed designs.
- Prepares drafts of written ARC comments.
- Meets with applicant to resolve comments.
- Coordinates review of site plan with other concerned and involved parties.
- Establishes and monitors escrow funds.

Assists in the preparation of planning case reports:

- Reviews all assigned planning applications and applicable City ordinances and regulations.
- Prepares concise and thorough staff reports on planning items.
- Develops all related necessary graphics and exhibits.
- Coordinates comments of other departments, i.e., Engineering and Parks.
- Presents staff reports at Planning Commission meetings.
- Prepares requests for City Council action including required resolutions, exhibits, and forms.
- Provides follow-up to City Council action, including drafting plat development agreements and monitoring projects until completion.

Assists in related planning activities:

- Maintains necessary planning files and records.
- Provides assistance and input in the site design for proposed special projects.
- Assists in updating the Comprehensive Plan and zoning maps.

Assists in Economic Development activities:

- Updating information for economic development web page.
- Completing research for economic development projects.
- Working with the GIS Department for present-
Job Opportunities and RFPs (cont.)

Follows procedures of the landscape escrow policy including inspecting, monitoring, procuring and releasing financial guarantees and educating builders and homeowners in correct horticultural practices.

Maintains accurate records and correspondence to effectively manage the landscape escrow program.

Assists in monitoring the installation of landscape materials and other required site improvements on construction sites.

Assists Forester and other City Staff on landscape or forestry related projects.

Other Duties and Responsibilities

 Performs other related planning, landscaping or forestry related duties as assigned.

Keeps immediate supervisors promptly informed of developments in areas of accountability to foster well-coordinated program efforts.

Minimum Requirements

Three (3) years of completed course work toward a Bachelor degree in Planning, Local and Urban Affairs or related field. Experience in the field is desired but not required.

Educational exposure to urban planning or site design principals.

Valid driver’s license.

Application Instructions

Application materials can be obtained at the Human Resources Office at Blaine City Hall, 10801 Town Square Drive, Blaine, MN 55449, (763) 717-2679, or www.ci.blaine.mn.us. Applications must be received by 4:30 PM, Friday, March 11, 2016.

Job Title: Planner

Hiring Agency: City of Sun Prairie, WI
Web Link: http://www.cityofsunprairie.com/

Deadline: March 16, 2016
Salary Range: $52,627 - $54,732

Job Description

The City of Sun Prairie, WI is seeking an experienced planner to fill a vacancy in its three-member Planning team. This position involves a broad range of responsibilities, with an emphasis on development review activities. Sun Prairie (pop. 32,000+) is the second largest city within the Madison, WI region, with a strong local economy and robust growth in both the housing and commercial retail sectors. As a member of a relatively small planning team, the Planner position offers an opportunity for the successful candidate to build skills in a wide variety of areas, including long range planning, development reviews, TIF proposals, infill/redevelopment projects, urban design exercises, GIS analysis and mapping, and zoning inspections/compliance. The ideal applicant will have strong written and verbal communication skills, the ability to interact positively with the public and fellow staff members, experience with GIS, and a proven ability to manage multiple projects simultaneously. A Bachelor’s Degree in Urban Planning or related field with 3 years of experience, or an equivalent combination of training/experience is desired. Starting salary $52,627 - $54,732 depending on qualifications.

Application Instructions

Complete online application www.cityofsunprairie.com. Call (608) 825-1192 with questions. Open until filled, but applications are encouraged on or before March 16, 2016. EOE

Job Title: Community Development Director

Hiring Agency: City of Waseca
Web Link: http://www.ci.waseca.mn.us
Deadline: March 18, 2016
Salary Range: $60,000 - $75,000

Job Description

The City of Waseca, MN is seeking an experienced planning professional to lead its Community Development Department. Waseca Minnesota, population 9,737, is a full service community located in Waseca County, approximately 75 miles south of the Twin Cities and off of Highway 14 between the regional cen-
Job Opportunities and RFPs (cont.)

Candidates must possess a bachelor’s degree in Urban Planning or related field and at least two (2) years of professional planning experience. A master’s degree and four (4) years professional planning experience, and experience in heritage preservation and code enforcement are a plus. Visit www.ci.waseca.mn.us for a complete job description and supplemental questions.

Application Instructions
Go to www.ci.waseca.mn.us and go to the City of Waseca Job Application link at the bottom of the page.

Job Title: Healthy Comprehensive Plan Coordinator - Contract Position

Hiring Agency: Terra Soma, LLC
Web Link: http://mnfoodcharter.com/job-opportunities/
Deadline: March 18, 2016
Salary Range: $52,500

Job Description
Local community planning is increasingly recognized as a tool to strategically identify and implement initiatives to increase healthy food access to healthy food and physical activity, while advancing health equity. The Minnesota Food Charter and other state and local initiatives have identified opportunities to work with local planning efforts to increase access to healthy food and physical activity.

This 30 hour/week contract position will work to serve as a liaison between elected/appointed officials and health advocates and a point of resource and guidance in including health and equity language in local plans and planning processes, with a focus on the 13 county Twin Cities metropolitan area.

Application Instructions
Please send cover letter, resume, three references, and a writing sample electronically to Margaret Adamek at madamek@terrasoma.com with "Healthy Comp Plan Coordinator Application" in the subject line.

Job Title: Transportation Planning Intern

Hiring Agency: Stonebrooke Engineering

Web Link: http://www.stonebrookeengineering.com
Deadline: March 31, 2016
Salary Range: Neg.

Job Description
The Transportation Planning Intern will provide support for the completion of short- and long-term planning, funding or transportation studies for city, state and federal clients. Projects may include site impact analysis, facility capacity analysis, travel demand modeling, planning and evaluation of ITS deployments and testing, corridor studies, transportation alternatives analyses including multimodal assessments, interchange justification reports, socioeconomic evaluations, environmental impact screening, and policy analysis. Assigned tasks will be completed under the general supervision of Project Managers and more experienced planners and engineers.

Essential Duties and Responsibilities:
- Participates in the execution of project tasks such as site impact analyses, facility capacity analyses, travel demand modeling, planning and evaluation of ITS deployments and tests, transportation plans and corridor studies, transportation alternatives analyses, economic evaluation and policy analyses.
- Participates in focus groups with client stakeholders to identify priorities for projects under contract.
- Evaluates alternative improvements using a variety of evaluation methods including capacity analysis, network demand modeling, economic evaluation, statistical modeling and GIS analysis.
- Conducts statistical analysis used in the identification and solution of transportation planning issues.
- Under the direction of Project Managers and other team members as assigned, participates in tasks and schedules with other non-exempt project team members.
- Writes objective summary analyses for reports which are used in the completion of project assignments.
- Assists in the preparation of detailed project cost estimates.
- Completes field observation, inspection and data collection duties as directed by senior staff.
- Uses GIS to map data and create, evaluate and exhibit project features, and study area issues.

Application Instructions
How to Apply / Contact If you feel that you possess the
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qualities that drive our services, please send a resume
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resume to human.resources@stonebrookeengineering.com.

Job Title: Planner

Hiring Agency: Hoisington Koegler Group
Web Link: http://www.hkgi.com
Deadline: Open Until Filled
Salary Range: DOQ

Job Description
The Opportunity: Hoisington Koegler Group is looking
to expand our team of planners and landscape architects. HKGi’s sole focus on planning, landscape architecture and urban design allows staff to have access to a broad range of work, exposure to all aspects of projects, significant task responsibilities and to contribute to the successful completion of award winning, leading edge projects. The firm's culture emphasizes collaboration, creativity and openness to new ideas. Located in the Downtown Minneapolis Warehouse District, HKGi has convenient access to transit and is bike friendly.

The Position: HKGi is seeking a creative, energetic planner with 3 to 5 years of experience. Candidates should possess strong written (technical and creative), graphic and verbal communication skills including experience preparing technical and general planning related reports. Applicants should have a working knowledge of software programs including ArcGIS, Microsoft Office Suite, and the Adobe Creative Suite. Advanced knowledge in GIS, spreadsheets, database development, experience working with community engagement and public process is desired. The candidate will contribute to a large variety of project types including general community planning, stakeholder engagement, comprehensive planning, zoning ordinances, redevelopment planning/studies, grant writing, park system planning, corridor studies, and other related projects. The position interacts regularly with project managers and principals on key planning and landscape architecture projects. The position initially will involve project management for smaller scale projects with the opportunity to grow into a larger project management assignments over time.

Qualifications: Required qualifications include a four-year degree or master’s degree in community planning or related field and a minimum of 3 years of experience. Desired additional qualifications include AICP certification and direct experience preparing land use application staff reports for planning agencies and facilitating creative approaches to community involvement.

Application Instructions
In PDF format, please submit the following: cover letter, resume, references, and writing/graphic design samples via email to jobs@hkgi.com.

Job Title: Assistant Planner

Hiring Agency: Greater Bemidji Area Joint Planning Board
Web Link: http://www.jpbgba.org/
Deadline: NA
Salary Range: $38,000 to 42,000 plus benefit package

Job Description
GENERAL PURPOSE
The Assistant Planner performs a variety of administrative, technical and professional work in coordinating and enforcing the Greater Bemidji Area Joint Planning Board (GBAJPB) planning and zoning programs.

SUPERVISION RECEIVED
Works under the direct supervision of the Planning Administrator.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES
Assists in the development, implementation and enforcement of the GBAJPB Zoning and Subdivision Ordinance.
Assists with the development and implementation of growth management, land use, economic or other plans necessary to meet the GBAJPB requirements. Assists in the evaluation of land use and development proposals for conformity to applicable State or Federal laws, established plans and related GBAJPB ordinances, and makes recommendations as appropriate; evaluates environmental issues and recommends mitigation measures to reduce adverse impacts of development.
Reviews permit applications and development proposals within the scope of assigned authority and re-
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Sponsibility and makes recommendations or issues permits as appropriate. Ensures the maintenance of accurate and complete records of department activities and files relating to licenses, permits, maps, blueprints, overlays, and sketches pertinent to planning and development programs and projects. Attends GBAJPB and Planning Commission and other public meetings as necessary. Serves as liaison to various public governmental or other groups as assigned.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS
Bachelor’s degree plus 2 years of experience or a Master’s degree plus 1 year experience. Necessary Knowledge, skills and abilities – Strong written and oral and listening communication skills
Thorough knowledge of accepted planning processes and programs
Working knowledge of personal computers including GIS
Grant writing experience is a plus
Common sense

Special Requirements
Valid MN driver’s license
Certification as a designer and inspector of SSTS IAW MN Rules Chapter 7080 or the ability to obtain same within one year of hiring

Application Instructions
Interested applicants may send cover letter and resume to mayana.rice@jpbgba.org.

Job Title: Assistant Planner

Hiring Agency: Hometown Planning
Web Link: http://www.hometownplanning.com/
Deadline: December 18, 2015 or until filled
Salary Range: $18-20/hour or higher depending on experience

Job Description
Hometown Planning, a private company providing contract land use planning and zoning administration services throughout Central Minnesota, is accepting applications for a full-time Assistant Planner (minimum 32-40 hours/week). Responsibilities in- clude assisting in the development of comprehensive plans and ordinance updates, reviewing permit applications, preparing monthly staff reports for Planning Commission and other meetings, responding to public inquiries, assisting in ordinance enforcement, conducting site inspections and other duties as assigned. Some work may be conducted remotely, upon approval. A complete job description can be found at www.hometownplanning.com.
Qualifications: Bachelor’s degree or significant coursework in community planning, urban studies, public administration, geography or related field and demonstrated oral and written communication skills. Preferred candidates will have a Master’s degree/coursework and/or AICP certification.

Application Instructions
Please send resume/job history and cover letter explaining interest and qualifications to: Hometown Planning, 324 Broadway Street, Suite 101, Alexandria, MN 56308. Interviews will begin after December 18 and continue until filled.

Job Title: Planner-Land Use and Natural Resources

Hiring Agency: Winona County, Minnesota
Web Link: http://www.co.winona.mn.us/page/2833/subcat/410
Deadline: Open Until Filled
Salary Range: $21.68 per hour w/benefits

Job Description
Provide outreach & educational activities, conservationist activities under the Clean Water Partnership Grant; administration of MPCA Feedlot Program & onsite sewage treatment & MPCA Septic rules. Applications & class description avail. at Personnel Dept., Winona Co. Gov’t Center, 177 Main St., Winona, MN 55987 (507/457-6352) and also on our website at www.co.winona.mn.us (Personnel Dept./Career Opportunities).

Application Instructions
Applications accepted in Personnel Dept. until position is filled. Individuals who previously applied must re-submit application. EOE. Visit our website: www.co.winona.mn.us.
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Job Title: Senior Planner/Project Manager

Hiring Agency: Stantec Consulting
Web Link: https://jobs-stantec.icims.com/jobs/21465/senior-planner-project-manager/job?mode=view
Deadline: NA
Salary Range: Negotiable

Job Description
Come join us as a Senior Planner! We will put you to work immediately on an exciting and diverse set of projects. We are growing and this is a great time to join Stantec. The Senior Planner will work closely with Stantec's Planners and Landscape Architects on a diverse array of planning projects. We are looking for someone with strong client relationships who can help grow our business both in this region and nationally.

Qualifications:
10-15 years of relevant work experience in planning, market research or land development.
Bachelors Degree in Planning, Urban Studies, Geography, Landscape Architecture, or related field required.
Masters Degree in Urban and Regional Planning, Urban Studies, Geography, Landscape Architecture, or related field preferred, but not required.
AICP certified.
Licensed Real Estate Salesperson or Broker (MN) preferred, but not required.
Familiarity with U.S. Census or other demographic data.
Proficiency in Microsoft Office software, including Word, Excel, and PowerPoint.
Familiarity with ArcGIS.
Familiarity with Adobe software including InDesign, Illustrator, and Photoshop.

Application Instructions
To apply directly to the position please click the link below:
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