PLANNER I (ELECTORAL AREA SERVICES) (FULL-TIME) Competition #2024-42 October 28, 2024



The Fraser Valley Regional District is a local government that delivers over 100 services to residents living in our eight electoral areas and six-member municipalities. We are the third most populous regional district in BC, stretching from Mission to Boston Bar. The Fraser Valley offers a great place to work and live with a mix of rural and urban lifestyles along with an abundance of recreational and cultural opportunities.

People are at the center of everything we do, and we strive to put the needs of those we serve and the employees in the organization at the forefront of our day-to-day work. We are an organization that values teamwork and respect. We are committed to diversity, equity, inclusion, and being representative of the region we serve. We invite all qualified candidates to apply. We are dedicated to the ongoing process of building relationships and examining our work to ensure that the principles of inclusion, collaboration, and reconciliation are included. If you have a passion for public service and want to make a difference in the lives of those who live, work, and learn in the Fraser Valley, consider coming to work with us.

We are inviting applications from qualified candidates to fill the full-time position of Planner I in the Electoral Area Services Division. Reporting to the Manager of Planning, the Planner I responds to planning enquiries; provides reliable technical analysis and prepares reports; coordinates and facilitates the processing of development applications and permits; interprets and applies legislation, bylaws, regulations and other enactments; assists with drafting bylaws, permits, agreements and other documents; coordinates and attends public information meetings and public hearings; and assists with planning work including OCP updates, long-range planning and policy development.

We offer a positive and supportive work environment with an emphasis on collaboration. We believe in lifelong learning and are committed to providing and supporting training and professional development opportunities for our staff. If you love working with the community and have strong leadership skills, you will fit right in.

The ideal candidate must have:

- » A degree in planning, geography, or a related discipline with courses in survey techniques, GIS, map interpretation, map compilation, graphics and statistical analysis preferred;
- » Two years of similar and demonstrated local government experience or equivalent is preferred;
- » Working knowledge of standard planning, building, and engineering nomenclature, practices and methods;
- » Familiarity with all types of maps, air photographs and map catalogues;
- » Have the ability to acquire a sound knowledge of FVRD planning legislation, Provincial statutes and regulations and local geography within a reasonable time;
- » Strong communication and interpersonal skills, including the ability to express thoughts and ideas clearly, and ability to converse with a wide range of people including technical consultants, elected officials, staff, the general public, developers, consultants and First Nations, for the purpose of providing advice, making recommendations and delivering effective presentations;

The start rate for this Union position is \$37.73 per hour (2024 rate) plus a comprehensive benefits package. Upon successful completion of the required six-month probationary period, the rate will increase to \$44.39 per hour (2024 rate).

If you have a passion for public service and want to make a difference in the lives of Fraser Valley residents, we want to hear from you. Please submit your resume, along with a cover letter, indicating how you meet the qualifications. Visit **www.fvrd.ca/careers** to apply for this competition by 4:30 p.m. on November 18, 2024.