

Planning & Zoning Director, Essex County, VA

Essex County is seeking qualified applicants for the position of Planning & Zoning Director
Salary: \$40,000 to \$60,000 DOQ/DOE (+) benefits.

Essex County seeks candidates to perform land use code administration, including issuance of zoning permits and staff support of the Planning Commission and Board of Zoning Appeals. Must have experience and education related to Zoning Administration, land use planning and coordinating permitting with County Building Inspections, Planning Commission and Board of Zoning Appeals. Position works closely with property owners, contractors; architects, surveyors, engineers and other professionals, along with public officials and staff. The County is largely rural, with development not on scale of major metropolis.

Essential functions include supervising the Planning/Zoning/Building Inspections Department, comprehensive land use plan updates, special community projects, grant coordination, enforcement of County land use and development ordinances including regulations specific to coastal and waterfront communities (Chesapeake Bay Preservation Act and Virginia Wetlands Act); serving as staff support to County Boards involved in land use, and assisting the County Administrator. Position does perform Code Enforcement duties.

The successful candidate will have any combination of a Bachelors' degree in Planning, Public Administration, or related field with three years of public or private sector planning experience; demonstrated knowledge of zoning and subdivision ordinance administration and enforcement. VAZO or other certified zoning administrator certification, AICP certification; experience with the Chesapeake Bay Preservation Act or other coastal/wetland regulations desirable. Master's degree desirable.

For complete details call (804) 443-3258 or email sturille@essex-virginia.org. Submit cover letter and resume' outlining why you would be the successful candidate to Juanita Sydnor, Payroll & Human Resources Manager, P. O. Box 1079, Tappahannock, VA 22560. Applications reviewed as received. Open until filled.