

Chief of Zoning and Development Services

Announcement No.: #

The Fauquier County Department of Community Development is seeking an experienced planner, manager and leader to fill the position of Chief of Zoning and Development Services and serve as the County's Zoning Administrator. Fauquier has a long-established planning philosophy of managed growth and rural land preservation, which includes developing thriving service districts and promoting the surrounding lands for active agriculture. The County also seeks to preserve environmental and historic resources while encouraging economic development. Staff are therefore involved in a great variety of challenging issues.

The Chief of Zoning and Development Services is responsible for a staff of approximately 20 who manage land development and construction functions including: Zoning, Site Planning, Subdivision, and Stormwater Management. Staff is responsible for administering, interpreting, and enforcing the Zoning Ordinance, Subdivision Ordinance, Stormwater Ordinance, Design Standards Manual, and other land use and environmental provisions of the Code of Virginia.

The ideal candidate is a self-directed creative problem-solver who enjoys working with the public. Flexibility and adaptability is a must, as is a good sense of humor and approachable manner. The ideal candidate should have a proven track record for empowering staff and building a culture that enables results-oriented collaboration. The successful candidate will be a results-oriented professional with keen problem-solving skills and outstanding analytical and communication skills.

Minimum requirements include a bachelor's degree in urban planning or closely related field, with a master's degree preferred, and at least 10 years of progressively responsible experience in planning and zoning. Experience in both the public and private sectors is strongly preferred, with specific experience in land development design and/or review, zoning, subdivision, ordinance development and interpretation required, as well as experience managing staff and functions.

Interested applicants must submit an on-line Fauquier County classified application, available on the County's website www.fauquiercounty.gov. Position is open until filled. For assistance with the on-line application call the Human Resources Department at 540-422-8300. Please direct specific position-related questions to Holly Meade, Director of Community Development at 540-422-8200 or email holly.meade@fauquiercounty.gov.