



JOB OPPORTUNITY!

Licking County Planning Director

The Licking County Planning Commission (LCPC) is seeking a qualified **Director** to provide leadership and direction for the overall operation of planning. This is an unclassified position that reports to the Planning Commission. This position may be subject to multi-year employment contract. The Director will operate under the administrative policies and procedures of the Licking County Board of County Commissioners but serves at the pleasure of the LCPC. The Director will ensure compliance with all federal, state and local laws pertaining to Planning.

Licking County is experiencing unprecedented growth pressure as the Central Ohio continues to expand. Licking County, in particular, is a focus of significant economic investments, both private and public. This is placing pressure on individual communities related to the housing market, the transportation system, and open space assets. The County seeks a proven planning leader who can immerse themselves in the details of growth and development, while serving the County and its local jurisdictions in anticipating and planning for this significant amount of change. The Planning Director and the staff should be able to help with problem identification and solutions, providing assistance to the impacted cities, townships, and villages.

Among the attributes that are being sought are:

1. A planning leader with experience in high growth communities, preferably in counties with a suburban and semi-rural environments who understands the intricacies of managing change, while managing valuable rural and open space assets.
2. A sound planning technician with strong experience in the areas of comprehensive planning, land use planning, zoning and subdivision regulations, development review and approval process, farmland preservation, and open space conservation planning.
3. An individual who successfully has maneuvered and managed policy conflicts among individual jurisdictions, provided proven solutions in support of local governments, and maintained a broad perspective on the opportunities offered by growth.

This position acts as a visionary and identifies issues and will recommend plans of action to improve and enhance the quality of life for the inhabitants of Licking County on behalf of the Planning Commission and the Licking County Board of Commissioners.

Qualified applicants must possess a Bachelor's Degree and six (6) to eight (8) years experience in Planning and/or Development or equivalent combination of education and experience. A minimum of two (2) years of supervisory experience in required. A Masters Degree in a related field is preferred.

Successful candidates will possess a Valid Ohio Driver's License and an American Institute of Certified Planner Certification (AICP) as well as extensive knowledge of land-use, zoning, planning process, access management, and transportation, Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) and governmental policies, procedures and operations. A working knowledge of Community and Economic Development rules and regulations are a must.

Other Skills and abilities required:

Possess Excellent: Communication Skills, Interpersonal Skills, Conflict Resolution Skills, Decision Making Skills, Leadership Skills, Organizational Skills.

Knowledge of: Land-use, zoning, planning process, access management, transportation, Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs), Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) floodplain management and governmental policies, procedures and operations. Workflow Program management. Working knowledge of Community and Economic Development rules and regulations.

For a detailed position description and salary information, please visit our website at www.lickingcounty.gov by clicking on the Human Resources Department link. This posting will be active until the position has been filled. Please direct questions to the Licking County Human Resources Department at 740-670-5150.

Submit a cover letter and resume to jobs@lickingcounty.gov

Successful candidates will be subject to Licking County's pre-employment drug screen
Licking County is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

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