



Director of Planning & Engineering

Fort St. John (www.fortstjohn.ca) strategically located in British Columbia's north east region, is known as the *Energetic City*, which reflects not only our large resource base of oil, natural gas, forestry and agriculture, but also the vitality of our residents who are keen to live and work in a community that gives back so much. Recognized globally, Fort St. John attracts travelers with spectacular wilderness and eco-adventures, as well as world class hunting and fishing. The City features excellent year-round sports facilities and more amenities than cities many times its size. Today, more than 19,000 people, mostly young families, call Fort St. John home. The City, located in the heart of majestic Peace River country, is the largest regional service center in north eastern BC, servicing 60,000 people in the area. Recognizing the critical importance Planning, Development and Engineering plays in the current and future needs of modern day communities, the City is looking to attract a key member of the executive management team as Director of Planning & Engineering.

Reporting to the General Manager of Integrated Services and a key member of the management team, as Director of Planning & Engineering you will assume full responsibility for the coordination of all municipal planning concerning land use, the physical development of the municipality, engineering and construction of municipal infrastructure and the general supervision, direction and administration of the Planning, Engineering and Building Inspection Departments. Leading a team of professional and technical staff, you will hold responsibility for the formulation of planning and development strategies for the city ensuring compliance with relevant provincial legislation. As Director you will also assume the role of Approving Officer for the municipality. In addition, you hold accountability for customer service policies and procedures that guarantee best of service practices to a wide variety of city clients both internal and external.

Ideally you have a Master's Degree in Community Planning and/or Bachelor of Applied Science in Civil Engineering or a comparable Degree and eligibility for membership in the Canadian Institute of Planners (or) a professional engineer designation, in good standing with the Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of British Columbia. You have a minimum of ten (10) years of recent related experience in a

planning or engineering role including seven (7) or more years in a management position. You have comprehensive knowledge of municipal and provincial acts directly related to municipal planning. You are a practical problem solver, deal effectively with competing priorities and well respected for your ability to work well under pressure. Your impeccable people skills are your trademark and have the ability to deal effectively with all levels of clients both internal and external, staff and Council. You bring enlightened departmental leadership as well as strategic focus to existing operations.

If you are self-motivated, enjoy both responsibility and accountability, and are ready to join one of British Columbia's most progressive municipalities, please forward your resume in confidence, to grantsmith@waterhousesearch.com quoting assignment FSJDPE,

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