



**Position Title:** Regional Planner I (Housing Development)

**Position Status:** Full-Time Regular

**Department:** Regional Planning & Housing Services

**Employee Group:** Teamsters Local 31

**Location:** 4730 Kingsway, Burnaby

Our Regional Planning & Housing Services Department is seeking a **Regional Planner I (Housing Development)** who will support the fast-paced, innovative work of the Affordable Housing group. This position will support Metro Vancouver Housing Corporation (MVHC) affordable housing development projects to achieve the goals of the Metro Vancouver Housing 10-Year Plan. The Regional Planner I is responsible for supporting the coordination of development planning processes including support for the initiation, planning, design, and delivery of development and redevelopment projects for MVHC, from initiation through development approvals up to the building permit stage. This position provides project coordination to a multi-disciplinary project team and works collaboratively with the project manager, acting as a key liaison for internal and external stakeholders including other Metro Vancouver services, municipal members, advisory committees, and others including relevant professionals, tenants, and the public.

**You are a planning or development professional who:**

- Has a passion for affordable housing with 5-7 years of experience in development planning and a Master's Degree in Regional, Urban Planning or related discipline;
- Is knowledgeable of the factors affecting affordable housing, including development approval processes, land use planning and policy, land and development economics, and the effects of social inequality
- Is highly organized with considerable independent judgement and experience coordinating multi-disciplinary teams and projects;
- Understands the Metro Vancouver governance model and the importance of building and maintaining strong relationships with member jurisdictions and other regional agencies; and
- Enjoys working on significant and meaningful projects that will make a difference to families across the region.

**This role:**

- Performs specialized tasks including supporting and coordinating development approvals processes including supporting the development of housing agreements, lease agreements, funding agreements, rezoning processes, development permit applications, and community and tenant engagement; development of work plans, research,

comprehensive report writing, development and preparation of policy proposals; and the followup and processing of the results of decisions from technical and political committees relative to their consideration of regional development policy proposals.

- Ensures for, and participates in the development, maintenance and operation of regional transportation, development and demographic computer models; interprets results of same to political and technical committees, municipal staffs and others.
- Acts in a liaison capacity between consultants, municipalities and Metro Vancouver to facilitate effective integration of project schedules; maintains liaison with various internal and external contacts concerned with municipal planning and regional development issues and trends; and coordination and liaison on behalf of the Metro Vancouver Housing Corporation.
- Attends related internal and external meetings and, as required, represents the Department to provide technical and professional advice on policy, goals and objectives, and regulations as they related to regional planning and related issues.
- Develops project specific computerized applications and programs for departmental use.
- Prepares and presents, as required verbal and audio-visual presentations and related material and displays on regional development programmes and projects.
- Assigns, checks and supervises the work of one or more technical and clerical staff engaged in research projects.
- Conducts regional development studies and prepares detailed reports resulting from such studies.
- Performs related work as required.

**To be successful, you have:**

- University graduation in Regional or Urban Planning at the Masters level and sound related experience; OR an equivalent combination of training and experience.
- Membership or eligibility for membership in the Canadian Institute of Planners.
- Considerable knowledge of the principles, practices, techniques, methods and procedures applicable to housing, development, municipal planning and regional development.
- Considerable knowledge of the policies, rules and regulations governing the work performed.
- Considerable knowledge of the legal aspects of municipal development and of the by-laws and legislation related to planning and regional development activities performed.
- Considerable knowledge of computer operational and programming principles and practices where applicable and of current literature, trends and developments in fields related to the work.
- Ability to perform professional regional development work under general supervision.
- Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with internal and external contacts.

- Ability to assign and supervise the work of one or more subordinates engaged in technical and clerical work.
- Skill in the operation of equipment used in the work, including the operation of computer modelling where applicable.
- Driver's License for the Province of British Columbia.

**Our Vision:**

Metro Vancouver embraces collaboration and innovation in providing sustainable regional services that contribute to a livable and resilient region and a healthy natural environment for current and future generations.

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