CITY OF CARSON 131 Class Specification City Council Reso. No: 21-12805-

Bargaining Unit: Supervisors Assn. FLSA: Non-Exempt

#### SENIOR PLANNER

### Job Summary:

Under general supervision of the Planning Manager, the Senior Planner performs professional level work in the field of current and advanced planning; conducts special projects and research as assigned; and prepares reports and recommendations relative to assigned area of responsibility. The Senior Planner performs more complex duties and possess specialized professional, technical and functional expertise and are regarded as seasoned and experienced professionals. They typically are assigned significant responsibilities above the Associate Planner; possess specialized knowledge, abilities, skills and experience; and exercise independent judgment in the performance of their duties. Under general direction, supervises and evaluates major development proposals and acts as a project leader; porforms a variety of complex professional-level planning duties.

### **Essential Duties and Responsibilities:**

- <u>Recommend and assist in the implantation of goals and objectives; establish schedules</u> and methods for current planning or advanced planning activities; implement policies and procedures. Administers and evaluates City development standards and land use/zoning requirements; makes recommendations pertaining to the development or modification of the general plan and regulations for the City.
- Perform advance and current planning activities; maintain and disseminate geographic zoning and City land use information; prepare background studies for ordinances and General Plan update work. Reviews plans and evaluates major development proposals and acts as a project leader on major projects as assigned.
- 3. Conduct zoning studies; analyze land use issues; recommend resolutions to land use problems; direct proposed ordinances through review process.
- 3.<u>4.</u><u>Assists in the selection, training, supervision and evaluation of assigned staff.</u><u>Assists in the</u> selection, training, supervision and evaluation of assigned staff.
- 4.<u>5.</u> Directs and participates in the development and presentation of staff reports to the Planning Commission and City Council.
- Reviews and evaluates staff reports, surveys, correspondence, proposed ordinances and long-range land use policies.
- 6. Participates in the development and implementation of division goals, objectives, priorities and budget.
- Coordinates and monitors preparation of the Planning Commission agenda packets.
- 8.7. Attends a variety of committee, community, commission and task force meetings, makes oral and written presentations and represents the City as assigned.
- 9.8. Reviews development and business activities to assure conformance to codes, guidelines and other requirements.
- 10.9. Responds to inquiries regarding planning and environmental activities; provides information to other agencies, City departments and the general public; serves as liaison to various departments, boards, commissions and agencies.
- <u>11.10.</u> Performs related duties as required.

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#### **Qualification Guidelines:**

A typical way to obtain the requisite qualifications to perform the duties of this class is as follows:

#### Education and/or Experience:

Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university with a major in planning, public administration, environmental science or related field and <u>four-five (45)</u> years <u>of increasingly</u> responsible professional experience involving <u>municipal</u> planning <u>or related field</u>. Experience and/or education in a related field may be substituted on a year for year basis.

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# Knowledge of:

- Principles of supervision and training.
- All applicable federal, state, and local planning laws and regulations, including California Environmental Quality Act and State Subdivision Map Act. Principles and practices of planning and zoning; laws, codes, regulations, policies and procedures covering current and advanced planning, zoning and the environment (CEQA).
- Principles and practices of municipal planning covering current and advanced planning.
- Budget preparation and control techniques; research methods.
- Computer applications and software (Microsoft Office Word, PowerPoint, & Excel)
- Familiarity with ERP System (i.e.: Tyler Munis) preferred. City organization, operations, policies and procedures.

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# Skill and Ability to:

- Perform the most complex duties related to advance and current planning. Efficiently and effectively supervise major programs of the Planning and Environmental Services Division.
- Analyze and interpret data pertaining to planning and zoning.
- Supervise and coordinate the day-to-day activity of staff. Supervise and coordinate the day to day activity of staff.
- Communicate effectively both orally and in writing.
- Understand and work within scope of authority.
- Maintain records and prepare reports.
- Meet project schedules and timelines as required to <u>Maintain regular attendance and adhere</u> to prescribed work schedule to conduct job dutiesresponsibilities. Meet schedules and timelines.
- Establish and maintain effective working relationships with those contacted in the course of work; work cooperatively with executive and management staff, employees, and others. Establish and maintain cooperative and effective working relationships with others.
  Work with various cultural and ethnic groups in a tactful and effective manner. Train,
- supervise and evaluate personnel.
- Operate a motor vehicle during the course of work.
- Operate a personal computer and other office equipment.

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#### License or Certificate:

Possession of a valid California Class C driver's license. Employees in this classification will be enrolled in the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) Government Employer Pull Notice Program which confirms possession of valid driver's license and reflects driving record.

## **Physical Requirements & Working Conditions:**

Employee accommodations for physical or mental disabilities will be considered on a case-bycase basis. Positions in this class normally:

- Require vision (which may be corrected) to read small print. •
- Require mobility of arms to reach and dexterity of hands to grasp and manipulate small . objects.
- Performs lifting, pushing and /or pulling which does not exceed 25 pounds which is an . occasional aspect of the job.
- Subject to inside and outside environmental conditions. .
- May be required to use city or personal vehicle in the course of employment. Must be able to show proof of vehicle insurance. .
- May be required to attend periodic evening meetings and/or travel to attend meetings. •
- May be required to work evenings or weekends. .