

Category: Job

Director of Planning and Transportation

Location: City of Bloomington, Indiana

Close Date: July 14, 2026

Salary: \$115,899.00 - \$133,284.00

Nature of Work

The City of Bloomington is seeking its next **Director of Planning and Transportation** to lead work that shapes how people live, move, connect, and experience Bloomington every day. Under Mayor Kerry Thomson's leadership, the City is focused on economic vitality, attainable housing, public safety, sustainability, inclusion, open government, strong partnerships, transportation, and quality of place. The Director of Planning and Transportation will play a central role in turning those priorities into practical, visible progress. This position is appointed by the Mayor.

Bloomington is a place where people come to build something: a career, a family, a business, a neighborhood, a creative life, a next chapter. This position is an opportunity to help make that possible for more people.

Duties

This job description is illustrative only and is not a comprehensive listing of all job functions performed. The following are essential duties for this position, performed with or without reasonable accommodation:

Primary

Administers and directs departmental operations, including attending various community policy meetings providing consultation and overseeing implementation of comprehensive plans.

Recruits, screens, interviews, and hires department employees, assigns work, provides technical assistance, direction and supervision, establishes job performance standards and evaluates employees, and takes disciplinary actions, as needed.

Attends and serves as technical advisor at monthly Plan Commission meetings, and Board of Zoning Appeals meetings.

Responds to citizen planning and zoning inquiries as applied to established local, state, and federal laws, rules, and guidelines; maintains public relations for department, and frequently attends civic and neighborhood meetings.

Prepares and submits department budget to Common Council, and administers budget upon approval.

Reviews and evaluates department programs, systems and methods of operation and revises, as necessary.

Attends, drafts, presents, and defends major policy recommendations at various meetings, including Mayor's Cabinet and Common Council.

Prepares and administers planning related ordinances and resolutions as needed.

Occasionally testifies in court on matters pertaining to the decisions of Plan Commission and/or Board of Zoning Appeals.

Takes all reasonable steps to maintain a safe work environment.

Secondary

Performs related duties as assigned by the Mayor's Office.

Job Requirements

Minimum knowledge equivalent to a master's degree in planning or related field.

Minimum experience equivalent to over five (5) years, senior level municipal planning

American Institute of Certified Planners (AICP) certification required.

Knowledge of and ability to administer planning programs following legal codes, ordinances, manuals, and state and federal guidelines and standardized accounting procedures and compliance regulations.

Ability to maintain confidential information and cope with unprecedented types of problems by extending accepted planning methods and techniques.

How to Apply:

For the full job position and to apply, please go to this link:

<https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/bloomingtonindiana>