CITY OF MONTGOMERY

POSITION DESCRIPTION

Position Title: Customer Service & Community Development Specialist FLSA Status: Non-Exempt

Reports to: Community Development Director Civil Service Status: Unclassified

General Function:

Is responsible to the Community Development Director for performing a range of administrative support functions for the Community Development Department including the handling and processing of building permits, zoning permits, sign permits, occupancy certificates, home occupation permits, and tracking of building inspections; maintenance and administration of building and zoning files; collecting and maintaining performance measures and providing customer service to the residents and guests of the City of Montgomery through telephone and other technology communications and problem resolution. Serves as backup to the Community and Information Services Department in greeting and directing those who come to City Hall, and taking reservations and registrations for various City services and programs. Is committed to the mission, vision, and values of the City through ethical conduct, community stewardship, individual initiative and responsive service. Demonstrates leadership, management and technical skills through effective collaboration, using team resources, progressive decision making and personal responsibility.

Competencies:

Leadership

Exhibits behavior consistent with the mission, vision and values of the City of Montgomery.

Furthers the mission, vision and values of the City through excellent customer service, creative problem solving, decision making, and stewardship of City resources.

Engages in and supports the long-term direction of the department through progressive strategic planning and departmental goal setting that is responsive to the needs of the community.

Contributes to a learning/thinking/renewing department through customer feedback and continuous improvement.

Provides teaching, mentoring and motivation to other employees within the organization through the sharing of knowledge, skills and information; is proactive in performing and improving his/her own work and suggests and participates in projects and activities to improve the function of the entire organization.

Demonstrates emotional intelligence in day-to-day work, decision making and problem solving.

Initiates and suggests actions to improve departmental and City operations, employee performance, morale and work methods.

Demonstrates a commitment to provide and require excellent customer service through cooperative team and individual efforts.

Communication

Provides suggestions, advice and support to supervisor, department head, other City employees, employee teams, and the City's customers.

Communicates the City's mission, vision and values through words and actions.

Communicates effectively, both orally and in writing with the supervisor, department head, City employees, employee teams and the City's customers.

Works cooperatively with all City employees toward the common goal of providing high quality services.

Exhibits excellent interpersonal and human relationship skills.

Management

Participates in development and mentoring of co-workers to achieve a cohesive work unit consistent with the City's mission, vision, and values.

Is accountable for the delivery of quality services and work product as a part of the overall departmental and City-wide strategic direction, goals and objectives.

Contributes to a superior work culture through participation in training and mentoring to develop leadership, management and technical skills in all employees.

Assists fellow employees with developing and implementing programs and objectives to improve departmental and City-wide efficiency.

Effectively manages multiple assignments and priorities to ensure the fulfillment of projects, tasks and responsibilities.

Assists in the preparation of, and adherence to, operational and capital budgets and exhibits good stewardship of the organization's resources.

Suggests and carries out procedures to assure the highest standards of risk management, employee safety and risk avoidance.

Technical Tasks

Provides all aspects of administrative and clerical support to the Community Development Department and other staff members as needed.

Maintains files and records.

The position is responsible for the preparation of notifications of Planning Commission, Landmarks Commission and the Board of Zoning Appeals meetings; develops agendas and prepares packets for meetings.

Serves as General Office Manager for the Community Development Department.

Prepares building permits, zoning permits, sign permits, occupancy certificates, home occupation permits, and manages and maintains documentation of City's building inspections.

Accepts applications/plans and routes them to the appropriate person/agency for action.

Calculates and collects fees for permits, public hearings, zoning site plan approvals, etc.

Prepares deposits, maintains records of permit fees, makes purchases and pays bills for the Community Development Department.

Maintains performance measures for the Community Development Department including the Annual Customer Satisfaction Survey.

Prepares letters, reports, brochures, flyers, purchase requisitions, legal notices, memos, and other written documents.

Administers and maintains the City's complaint and service request tracking system.

Serves as a backup to the Community and Information Services Department to greet the public; give direction; take registrations and reservations for various recreation activities and City events and rentals of City-owned lodges and facilities; handle comments and requests.

Performs all job duties in compliance with the established rules and regulations of the Community and Information Services Department, Community Development Department and the City of Montgomery.

Demonstrates accountability and responsibility for completion of work assignments in the absence of other employees within the department, provides responsive and timely feedback to supervisory staff on status and progress of work activities.

Promotes safe work practices and ensures compliance with City safety policies.

Assists in the development of operating procedures, policies, rules and regulations.

Attends meetings, seminars, training programs, conferences and other related events.

Maintains individual knowledge and skills to be able to carry out all duties of position.

Reviews and investigates complaints and requests for service(s).

Handles other responsibilities and duties as assigned or needed.

Equipment Used:

Operates automobile and current office equipment including: mobile phone, multi-line telephone, telecommunications device for the deaf, fax machine, copier, calculator and computer, scanner, paper shredder, cash register, paper folding machine, paging and two-way radio equipment.

Location of Work and Physical Requirements of Position:

Must be able to safely and effectively operate a motor vehicle; demonstrate dexterity in the use of hands; must be able to move/transport oneself from one work site to another; must be able to perform lifting of departmental equipment, supplies, and tools; vocal communication is required for expressing or exchanging ideas by means of the spoken word, and conveying detailed or important instructions to others accurately; hearing is required to perceive information at normal spoken word levels; visual acuity is required for preparing and analyzing written or computer data, visual inspection involving small equipment and tools or detailed clerical work, operation of motor vehicles or equipment, determining the accuracy and thoroughness of work, and observing general surroundings and activities; ability to work flexible hours; and be able to deal with stressful conditions in a calm and professional manner; must be able to work in off-site locations; work is performed primarily in the Montgomery City Hall and in other City facilities as required.

Minimum Requirements for the Position:

High School Diploma or G.E.D. supplemented by business related coursework and/or experience in comparable municipal office environment; ability to interact effectively with the public, agencies and staff at all levels; ability to use basic office software such as Microsoft Excel, Word, PowerPoint, and Access; basic knowledge of the principles of customer service; demonstrated planning and organization skills; demonstrated leadership skills and abilities; ability to maintain effective working relationships; ability to communicate effectively, orally and in writing; must possess a valid driver's license from state of residency.