City of San Rafael Job Class Specification

Job Title: Technology Operations Manager

SUMMARY:

The Technology Operations Manager is responsible for ensuring the efficient and cost-effective use of the City's technology; assisting City employees to better use and understand existing technology tools and the operation of software through tools, environments and practices; overseeing day-to-day help desk and technical support operations, equipment inventory and purchasing.

This is an exempt, mid-management level position in the Department of Digital Service and Open Government. The incumbent exercises independent judgment in the planning, overseeing, and reviewing the functional areas of operations, administration, and customer support.

SUPERVISION RECEIVED AND EXERCISED

This position reports to the Director of Digital Service and Open Government and may provide direct and/or functional supervision to subordinate staff.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

This list is meant to be representative, not exhaustive. Some incumbents may not perform all the duties listed while in other cases related duties may also be assigned.

- Prepares and assists with the development of strategic plans related to the area of responsibility and addresses City-wide policy and management issues.
- Provides technical support for workstation hardware, communication and audio/video equipment, software applications and services.
- Builds and maintains a motivated operations and customer support team, making sure there is an iterative plan to work towards.
- Directs, oversees, and participates in the development of assigned services work plans; assigns work activities, projects, and programs; monitors work flow; reviews and evaluates work products, methods, and procedures.
- Develops and implements interdepartmental technology governance, planning and coordination activities to accomplish specific City-wide objectives.
- Develops and implements organizational policies and procedures regarding appropriate usage of technology within the organization.
- Supports implementation of mission critical City-wide technology initiatives.
- Evaluates the department's operations to ensure effective support for organizational objectives and efficient and effective implementation of initiatives.

- Formulates, recommends and administers policies and procedures governing the operation of the department. Recommends long-range goals and implementation plans for services provided by the department.
- Plans, prepares, and administers the assigned departmental budget in coordination with management staff.
- Administers and provides the City's support services, maintenance, and training for computers, including the evaluation, selection, installation and maintenance of computer hardware and software and related equipment.

KNOWLEDGE OF:

- Strategic planning, systems and project management
- Information technology service delivery procurement and emerging trends
- Principles and practices of user-centered design
- Principles and practices of change management
- Budgeting procedures and techniques
- Methods for monitoring, analyzing, and evaluating programs
- Principles and techniques of managing telecommunications
- System training techniques
- Business process improvements
- Principles of performance measurement
- Principles and practices of effective supervision

ABILITY TO:

- Establish and maintain a working environment conducive to positive morale, individual style, quality, creativity, and teamwork.
- Identify challenges and emerging issues faced by the organization.
- Work with management team and staff to recognize internal and external operational opportunities and solutions and define and execute appropriate strategies to support them.
- Position the City to effectively respond to the rapidly changing technological environment.
- Coordinate and implement programs to respond to customer requests.
- Analyze current and future communication technologies and needs.
- Promote a culture of high performance and continuous improvement that values learning and a commitment to quality.

- Gain cooperation through discussion and persuasion.
- Prepare and administer complex budgets.
- Negotiate and assess complex proposals and contracts.
- Mentor and develop staff using a supportive and collaborative approach on a consistent basis.
- Communicate clearly and concisely and make effective public presentations.
- Explain technical concepts and processes in an understandable manner to end users.
- Establish and monitor staff performance and development goals, assign accountabilities, set objectives, establish priorities, and conduct annual performance appraisals.
- Work calmly and effectively under stressful situations.

EDUCATION and/or EXPERIENCE:

Equivalent to graduation from an accredited college or university with a degree in computer science, information systems, information technology, public policy, public administration, or closely related field and three years of progressively responsible professional experience planning, overseeing, and reviewing Information Technology operations, administration, and customer support, including at least one year in a supervisory or management capacity. A Master's Degree is preferred.

PHYSICAL DEMANDS:

The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential function of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

While performing the duties of this job, the employee is regularly required to sit and talk or hear. The employee frequently is required to use hands to finger, handle, or feel and reach with hands and arms. The employee is occasionally required to stand and walk. The employee must regularly lift and/or move up to 10 pounds and occasionally lift and/or move up to 25 pounds. Specific vision abilities required by this job include close vision, distance vision, color vision, peripheral vision, depth perception, and ability to adjust focus.

WORK ENVIRONMENT:

The work environment characteristics described here are representative of those an employee encounters while performing the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

While performing the duties of this job, the employee is regularly exposed to video displays. The employee frequently works in evenings or weekends; typically, in inside environmental conditions. The employee occasionally may travel between worksites. The noise level in the work environment is usually moderate.