



# PLATTEVILLE



## City Manager Position Profile



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## The City

Located in scenic southwestern Wisconsin, 20 minutes east to Dubuque, IA and an hour west to Madison, Platteville is home to over 12,000 residents, including an on-campus student population of 6,400 attending the University of Wisconsin-Platteville. Platteville is within Wisconsin's driftless region and is surrounded by rolling hills, rivers and streams and beautiful farms and natural areas. Platteville's economy revolves around the University of Platteville, agriculture, and manufacturing. The city has a historic and vibrant commercial Main Street as well as a major retail area adjacent to Interstate 90 and STH 151. In addition, the city has excellent medical facilities, robust business parks and new housing developments.

Residents and visitors enjoy 16 city parks, which include over 200 acres of open space, playgrounds, baseball and softball diamonds, biking and hiking trails, a skate park, an arboretum, and an outdoor aquatics center. Recent community amenities include a new 22,000 square foot public library in the heart of Downtown and the Roundtree Branch Trail, a paved and lighted trail for bikers and hikers. A new fire facility is currently being planned for construction in 2024. The Platteville Public School District consistently receives high ratings. In addition, area residents benefit from many educational, athletic, and cultural events offered at the University of Wisconsin-Platteville.

# The Position

The City of Platteville has a Council-Manager form of government organized under Wisconsin State Statutes Chapter 64 since its incorporation. Platteville's Common Council has seven members, who elect a President and Vice President as part of an organizational meeting each April. Five Council seats are elected by ward and two are-at-large; they serve three-year terms. The City Council selects the City Manager as the Chief Executive Officer who directs an executive leadership team which include both long tenured and newly hired department directors, including the Director of Administration, Director of Public Work, Director of Community Development, Police and Fire Chief, Director of Parks and Recreation, Director of Communications, Director of Finance, Director of Human Resources, Directory of Library Services, Museum Director, Director of Airport Services and City Clerk. This high-performance organization has 74 regular full-time and 200 part-time and seasonal staff. The City Manager oversees \$32.8 million annual budget including utilities and three Tax Increment Finance Districts (TIDS).

## Opportunities and Challenges for the new City Manager

Platteville has been proactive in meeting its goals in economic (re)development, quality of life enhancements, infrastructure maintenance and expansion and professional staff additions and support. Future emphasis will be on housing plan implementation; long-range financial planning, including replacing aging infrastructure; new fire station construction and City Museum campus improvements; City Hall remodeling (phase 3); continuation of Task Force for Inclusivity, Diversity, and Equity (TIDE) projects, and development/implementation of a number of intergovernmental partnerships.



# The Ideal Candidate

The ideal candidate for the Platteville City Manager position will possess both personal and professional integrity, be a team builder and leader in addressing community issues and problems, have a collaborative style in carrying out Council policies and the ability to cultivate positive and productive relations with the City Council, staff, citizens, other governmental bodies, and UW-Platteville. Demonstrate a high level of emotional intelligence, have open and positive communication skills, and have a strong commitment to public service.

## Skills and Experience

The successful candidate must demonstrate a strong background in municipal finance, particularly budgeting and debt financing including TIF; capital improvement planning and execution; economic facilitation and coordination; housing development; intergovernmental relations and staff development.

## Qualifications

Requires bachelor's degree in public or business administration or related field; prefer master's degree with five (5) years of progressive municipal supervisory experience. ICMA-CM credentialed is a plus. Residency is encouraged and incentivized.

## How to Apply

Send cover letter, resume, salary history, and references in a single PDF by February 12, 2023, 5:00 p.m. CST to Public Administration Associates, LLC, Attn: Kevin Brunner, President at [kevin.brunner1013@gmail.com](mailto:kevin.brunner1013@gmail.com) with email subject: City of Platteville City Manager, WI Search. Questions regarding the position should be directed to Kevin Brunner, Public Administration Associates, LLC, at (262) 903-9509.

Confidentiality must be requested by applicant and cannot be guaranteed for finalists.

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