

# NEW HANOVER COUNTY invites applications for the position of:

## Long Range Planner

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**SALARY:** See Position Description

**DEPARTMENT: PLANNING & LAND USE** 

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**OPENING DATE:** 07/11/19

**CLOSING DATE:** Continuous

#### **ESSENTIAL DUTIES:**

This position is open until filled; however, <u>priority consideration will be given to applications received through July 21, 2019.</u> Applicants who previously applied do not need to re-apply and are still under consideration.

New Hanover County is seeking a motivated professional to perform long range planning duties in the Planning and Land Use Department. This position works in coordination with the current and long range planning team to implement New Hanover County's Comprehensive Plan andother projects and initiatives to promote more efficient development patterns within unincorporated New Hanover County. It requires strong analytical skills, competence in managing multiple ongoing projects, building and developing partnerships with stakeholders to ensure the comprehensive plan vision is achieved; and the ability to clearly communicate technical information through written reports, memorandums, and presentations. Typical work activities include demographic and land use research, policy and data analysis, community-level planning, and public outreach. Duties include evaluating and preparing written reports on amendments to long range plans, development codes, the Official Zoning Map, and other related proposals; serving as a staff liaison in a variety of long range planning focus areas, including transportation; preparing technical studies and reports; and preparing or assisting in the preparation of grant applications.

New Hanover County's Planning and Land Use department is comprised of a team of dedicated professionals who stay committed to the County's goal of intelligent growth and economic development by providing services in the areas of short and long range planning and zoning. The department oversees research, planning, and zoning activities to ensure orderly growth and development for New Hanover County. The comprehensive plan is used as a guide, to address our County's current development trends, determine a vision for how the community would like to see New Hanover County develop over the next twenty five years, and determine a plan for how to achieve this vision.

Our long range planning team is committed to a pragmatic, solution-oriented approach to addressing the ongoing challenges of laying a framework for the next twenty to thirty years of growth and development in the unincorporated areas of the county. We work in a variety of areas, including comprehensive planning, transportation, zoning and development regulation, and are seeking a motivated professional interested in building a broad base of skills and a strong community. As a member of the long range team, you will have the opportunity to work closely with current planning, zoning, and engineering staff, as well as organizational and community partners who focus on public health, transportation, and parks planning.

New Hanover County strives to hire the best and the brightest employees who are committed to public service. Our employees enjoy an innovative, energetic and employee-focused work environment with top down support that embraces bottom up ideas and engagement. Our

talented team of professionals have a passion for providing care and services that effect change on the everyday lives of the citizens they encounter. Our shared values of professionalism, innovation, integrity, stewardship and accountability guide the way we conduct ourselves and deliver services to our customers. If this sounds like an organization that models the values you uphold, we invite you to come and be a part of the exciting, healthy and progressive team at New Hanover County.

## **MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:**

Bachelor's Degree in Planning or related field and two years of professional level experience; or an equivalent combination of education and experience sufficient to successfully perform the essential duties of the job such as those listed above. Master's Degree strongly preferred.

Must have excellent customer service, oral and written communications skills, and interpersonal skills. Must have excellent computer skills, including the ability to create graphic designs and professional documents. Experience in zoning administration, development review, transportation planning, GIS, and implementation of a comprehensive plan is preferred. Must have good driving record.

#### LICENSES/CERTIFICATIONS:

- · NC Driver License
- AICP preferred must be obtained within 5 years of employment

## **OTHER INFORMATION:**

Hours are 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM Monday through Friday, with some night and weekend work possible for meetings or public outreach events.

Must be available to work during emergency situations.

#### **Salary Information:**

The current salary range for this position is \$49,236 – \$83,701. The hiring range for this position is \$49,236 – \$66,469 plus a competitive benefits package. Salary will be determined based on qualifications, internal equity, budget, and market considerations.

After the closing date for this position applications will be screened by Human Resources. Applicants referred to the department will receive an email requesting important information pertinent to the position applied for. Please be sure to check your email for this communication so we may proceed with the next step in the recruitment process in a timely manner.

APPLICATIONS MAY BE FILED ONLINE AT: http://www.nhcgov.com/HR/Pages/JobOpportunities.aspx

Job #201900108 LONG RANGE PLANNER

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#### Long Range Planner Supplemental Questionnaire

*	1.	Please indicate your highest degree obtained.
		☐ Master's Degree in Planning.
		☐ Bachelor's Degree in Planning.
		☐ Master's degree in a field related to Planning.
		☐ Bachelor's degree in a field related to Planning.
		☐ Master's degree in a field unrelated to Planning.

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<ol><li>If your degree is in a field related to planning, please indicate what field your degree is in and how this is related to planning.</li></ol>
* 3. Do you have experience working with a comprehensive plan?  ☐ Yes ☐ No
<ul> <li>* 4. Please indicate your years of experience performing professional level planning duties.</li> <li>□ More than 6 years of experience performing professional level planning duties.</li> <li>□ 5 years but less than 6 years of experience performing professional level planning duties.</li> <li>□ 4 years but less than 5 years of experience performing professional level planning duties.</li> <li>□ 3 years but less than 4 years of experience performing professional level planning duties.</li> <li>□ 3 or fewer years of experience performing professional level planning duties.</li> </ul>
* 5. Do you have a current AICP certification through the APA (American Planning Association)? \(\begin{align*} \Pi \) Yes \(\begin{align*} \Pi \) No
* Required Question