

# **ANDERSON TOWNSHIP Position Description**

Title: Greenspace Inspector

**Department:** Planning & Zoning

**Supervisor:** Director of Planning & Zoning

Assistant Director of Planning & Zoning

FLSA Status: Non-Exempt

**Classification:** Full-Time

#### **Definition:**

In collaboration with a variety of internal and external stakeholders, this position will serve as the Township's resource and advisor on matters impacting the natural environment, including plant, animal, soil and water resources.

### **Essential Functions:**

- 1. Manage the Anderson Township Greenspace program.
- 2. Direct tree management activities on Township-owned, non-Greenspace property.
- 3. Collaborate with multiple stakeholders on the environmental impact of land use decisions, including Anderson Township departments and elected officials as well as other government and non-profit agencies.
- 4. Create and present environmental education and community outreach initiatives.

## **Examples of Duties:**

- 1. Conduct regular field visits to Greenspace property to inspect for encroachment violations and safety concerns, monitor damage remediation/restoration efforts and look for the presence of invasive plant species.
- 2. Work with appropriate law enforcement agencies, when necessary, on enforcement of applicable Greenspace property laws and regulations.
- 3. Perform field inspections of trees located on non-Greenspace property, including rights-of-way, to monitor tree health and maintenance needs.
- 4. Assist with the Township's annual Tree City USA application submission and fall tree planting program.
- 5. Provide staff support for the Anderson Township Tree Committee, Arboretum Subcommittee and other related boards, committees and commissions.
- 6. Collaborate with Township departments, other government authorities and non-profit agencies on planning and land use decisions.
- 7. Assist with archaeological research and preservation initiatives on Township-owned property.
- 8. Collect, analyze and report various kinds of data and information.
- 9. Present educational programming about the Greenspace program and related topics during special events and collaborations with community organizations, outdoor education programs and local schools.

- 10. Regularly interact with the public over the phone, through written communication and in-person, to resolve encroachment violations, coordinate volunteer projects and answer questions about tree identification, health and planting.
- 11. Other duties as assigned.

# Required Knowledge & Abilities:

- 1. Thorough understanding of local natural resource management and land use best practices and principles.
- 2. Working knowledge of computer hardware/software programs including Microsoft Office, geographic information systems, Adobe products and web-based applications.
- 3. Familiarity with data collection, analysis and reporting methodologies.
- 4. Ability to read and understand information from plans, drawings, property surveys and maps.
- 5. Able to communicate complex information in writing as well as through in-person interactions.
- 6. Proven ability to effectively interact with a wide variety of people, including elected officials, professional consultants, student interns, community volunteers and the public.

## **Required Qualifications:**

- Minimum of bachelor's degree in environmental/natural science, urban planning, geography or similar programs.
- At least two years of experience in planning, natural resource/land management or related field.
- Valid, state-issued driver's license.
- Physically capable of walking on uneven, outdoor terrain potentially during inclement weather.

## **Work Locations:**

- Indoor, professional office environment.
- Outdoor settings, in a variety of seasonal weather conditions and terrain.

## **Work Schedule:**

- Approximately 40 hours/week.
- Monday through Friday.
- 8:00 am to 4:30 pm.
- Occasional evening/weekend/overtime hours, including special events as needed.
- Flexible schedule options following completion of probationary period.

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