



CITY OF MESA  
invites applications for the position of:  
**Senior Planner**

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**SALARY:** \$62,742.13 - \$88,566.40 Annually

**OPENING DATE:** 04/28/17

**CLOSING DATE:** 05/04/17 11:59 PM

**DESCRIPTION/DUTIES:**

*The current vacancy is in the Development Services Department, however this recruitment will be used to create a Citywide list to fill future vacancies.*

A Senior Planner performs advanced-level professional planning work of considerable difficulty and manages complex planning projects to completion. Areas of assignment may include: transportation, long-range planning, planning and zoning, design review, subdivision review, zoning administration, and plans review. Employees in this class may also serve as a staff liaison for national and regional planning agencies and City boards such as the Planning and Zoning, Design Review, Board of Adjustment, or Subdivision Review Boards, depending upon assignment.

Responsibilities for assignments within Planning may include: lead expert in area of responsibility; recommendation of general plan amendments; analysis of demographic and census data; facilitation of neighborhood and area plans; conducting preliminary and final plat review; providing technical review of subdivisions; esthetic review of commercial, office, industrial and residential development building and landscape proposals; seat on Williams Gateway Authority Design Review Committee; preparing general and sub-area plans; and recommendations of land-use, entitlement requests, and specific site plan proposals, review, and inspection approval on major residential, commercial, and industrial development projects.

Responsibilities for assignment within Transportation may include: developing and implementing transportation plans, studies, and programs; reviewing development proposals and transportation projects for consistency with adopted standards and regulations; evaluating neighborhood transportation issues; providing staff support to various boards and committees; reviewing private development submittals and public transportation projects to ensure bicycle and pedestrian standards are met, as well as to ensure that multi-modal travel options are available for all users; administering, managing, and implementing guidelines for bicycle parking; making recommendations and providing assistance to City commissions and Council regarding safe and efficient bicycle/pedestrian transportation; coordinating with national and regional planning agencies and other cities in developing and refining the regional forecasting model and betterment of bicycle awareness and usage in the state; evaluating bicycle and pedestrian transportation impacts associated with development projects and roadway improvements; writing, defending, and managing applications for grants to fund infrastructure and non-infrastructure grant projects; preparing and managing the bicycle and pedestrian program budget; working with schools and community groups to improve safe bicycle riding techniques, bicycle/pedestrian routes, and to increase bicycling and walking to school; planning and coordinating CycloMesa and other special events related to the bicycle/pedestrian program.

Based on assignment, duties may also include: conducting technical research, analyzing data, evaluating findings, identifying significant issues, determining options, and developing staff recommendations for difficult projects; conferring with engineers, developers, architects, outside agencies, and the general public to acquire information and coordinate planning and zoning, and architectural and landscape planning and design matters, or technical elements of traffic studies and general transportation planning issues; preparing for and conducting public meetings to receive input on planning project; and interpreting and applying codes, policies, laws, standards and regulations to ensure development, applications, City projects, and municipal code amendments are in compliance. A Senior Planner may supervise the work of paraprofessional/professional staff. This class is responsible for performing related duties as required. This class is FLSA exempt-administrative.

**QUALIFICATIONS & REQUIREMENTS:**

**Employee Values:** All employees of the City of Mesa are expected to uphold and exhibit the City's shared employee values of Knowledge, Respect, and Integrity.

**Minimum Qualifications Required.** Graduation from an accredited college or university with a Bachelor's Degree in Planning, Urban Planning, Geography, Architecture, Landscape Architecture, Civil Engineering, Transportation Planning, or a related field (based on assignment). Considerable (3 - 5 years) professional experience in transportation planning, urban planning, civil engineering, land-use law, professional design, or traffic engineering (based on assignment).

**Preferred/Desirable Qualifications.** Possession of an Arizona registration as an Architect or Landscape Architect is preferred (Design Review and Plans Review assignments). American Institute of Certified Planners certification and graduation from an accredited college or university with a Master's Degree are highly desirable.

**LINK TO JOB DESCRIPTION:**

[apps.mesaaz.gov/jobdescriptions/Documents/JobDescriptions/cs4842.pdf](https://apps.mesaaz.gov/jobdescriptions/Documents/JobDescriptions/cs4842.pdf)

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The City of Mesa supports the following Council Strategic Initiatives: Economic Development, Quality Of Life, Community Engagement, Financial Stability and Regional Leadership. The City of Mesa respects, values, and welcomes diversity in our workforce. To this end, we encourage all interested people to apply. Human Resources reserves the right to close positions without prior notification.

APPLY ONLINE AT:

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