

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR CITY OF COLLEGE PARK, GEORGIA

This is an excellent opportunity to live and work in one of Metro Atlanta's most progressive and historic cities. The City of College Park sits in southwest Fulton County and is the home of Atlanta Hartsfield-Jackson International Airport. College Park is a wonderfully diverse community and is renowned for its many picturesque homes, Woodward Academy (largest private K thru 12 school in the country), quality restaurants and the Georgia International Convention Center, Georgia's newest and second largest convention center.

The Mayor, City Council and City Manager are seeking an outstanding individual who has the experience and vision to provide direction, guidance and oversight to the City's Economic Development Department. The Economic Development Director reports directly to the City Manager, Mayor and City Council. The ideal candidate will possess a Bachelor's degree in Business Management, Public Administration, City Planning, or Economic Development, a Master's degree is preferred; and will have evidence of continued professional development through active participation in professional membership associations such as IEDC. Additionally, the ideal candidate will have seven (7) to nine (9) years of progressively responsible experience in the economic development field is required; possess a valid State of Georgia driver's license or be able to obtain one within two (2) months of beginning the job; will have local government experience; and experience in Georgia and familiarity with Georgia laws would be a plus.

This position plans, organizes, directs, and manages the day-to-day operations of the Economic Development Department and the staff. This is the lead position in the retention and recruitment of businesses for the City of College Park.

The guidelines for this position include land use laws, State and Federal laws, real estate law, City codes, construction codes, fire codes, and the Federal ADA. This position has direct supervision over the departmental Economic Development Specialist and Main Street Manager.

Residency in the City of College Park within a reasonable time after appointment is required.

The City of College Park is a full-service city with a small town atmosphere within one of the fastest growing metropolitan areas in the United States. College Park invites you to www.collegeparkga.com for further information about this historic city and the many amenities and attributes of the City.

The City of College Park operates under a Council-Manager form of government with a governing body of four Council Members and a Mayor. The City has a year-round workforce of 500 employees in 16 operating departments. The annual operating budget is \$125 Million. The City is in good financial condition and is characterized by

outstanding bond ratings and a steady revenue flow.

The starting salary range is market competitive depending on experience, qualifications and match with the desired attributes of the City. In addition, College Park offers a comprehensive benefits package including car allowance, utility credit and moving expenses to the successful candidate. This position is a contractual position.

Position open until filled. First review of resumes on July 10, 2013. Resumes will not be accepted without an application which may be obtained from the City's website at www.collegeparkga.com or by contacting James L. Mercer at the information below. Confidential resumes and applications should be received by close of business July 10, 2013, to **James L. Mercer, President/CEO, The Mercer Group, Inc., 5579B Chamblee Dunwoody Road, #511, Atlanta, Georgia 30338. VOICE: 770-551-0403; FAX: 770-399-9749.** E-Mail: j Mercer@mercergroupinc.com; Website: www.mercergroupinc.com EOE

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