

CHIEF BUILDING OFFICIAL CITY OF JOHNSON CITY, TENNESSEE

This is an exciting opportunity for a seasoned management professional to live and work in a vibrant and growing community in eastern Tennessee. Johnson City is the largest of the Tri-Cities and has a growing population of 65,813 (2014). The City is seeking a progressive, innovative and professional Chief Building Official to lead the Code Division, including building inspections/permitting, plans review, and code enforcement, for the City for the future.

The successful candidate for the position of Chief Building Official of the City of Johnson City should meet the following criteria:

- Possess a Bachelor's degree from a college or university of recognized standing with major course work in structural engineering or architecture and extensive experience in the design, construction or inspection of building structures.
- Possess substantive experience in municipal building inspection and related fields.
- Have evidence of continued professional development by staying abreast of trends and advances in the Building field.
- Or possess any equivalent combination of experience and training which provides the required knowledge, skills and abilities.

Knowledge, skills and abilities required of the position include:

- Comprehensive knowledge of all types of building construction materials and methods, and stages of construction when possible violations and defects may be most easily observed and corrected.
- Comprehensive knowledge of engineering as applied to designs of reinforced concrete, steel, timber and other structures.
- Skill in making complicated engineering and mathematical calculations.
- Skill in the use of engineering devices and reference materials.
- Skills and thorough knowledge to implement permitting/plans review software.
- Thorough knowledge of municipal building and related codes, and zoning and related ordinances.
- Thorough knowledge of civil engineering principles as applied to building and utility design.

- Ability to read and accurately interpret plans, specifications and blueprints.
- Ability to assign, supervise and review the work of a moderately large staff of subordinate inspectors and to give advice on difficult inspections, procedural and related problems.
- Ability to make inspection of a variety of public industrial, commercial and residential buildings for conformance with municipal codes, ordinances, regulations and construction standards.
- Ability to exercise professional judgment.

The Chief Building Official for the City of Johnson City performs complex technical and administrative work planning and administering the activities of the Code Division and performs related work as required.

The Chief Building Official is responsible for directing all activities and programs of the Code Division. Work involves responsibility for:

- Planning.
- Developing staff.
- Coordinating with other departments in the efficient administration of all ordinances and provisions of the municipal building and mechanical codes, property maintenance code, and zoning ordinances.
- Assuring adherence to specified standards of materials, workmanship and safety.
- Enforcement of zoning and related ordinances.
- Maintenance of current codes with new advances and trends.

Johnson City government operates as a home rule municipality and is governed by the City Manager-Commission form of government. The Board of Commissioners is the governing body of the City. The Board hires a professional City Manager to manage and direct the day-to-day operations of City government.

The City government is full-service and is divided into a number of functional Departments to carry out services to citizens and to provide internal support to the operating Departments.

The City is in excellent financial condition and is a stable governmental organization.

The Code Division reports to the Development Services Director. The current budget for the Building Department is \$869,845 and there are 13 FTE employees.

The starting annual salary will be market competitive depending on the qualifications and experience of the selected candidate. An excellent fringe benefit plan will be provided as well. Reasonable relocation expense reimbursement will be negotiated.

This position is open until filled. First review of candidates will occur on November 20, 2015.

Confidential resumes should be sent by close of business on November 19, 2015, to **James Mercer, The Mercer Group, 5579B Chamblee Dunwoody Road, #511, Atlanta, GA 30338. VOICE: 770-551-0403; FAX: 770-399-9749. E-Mail: jmerc@mercergroupinc.com; Website: www.mercergroupinc.com**

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