



Project Manager, Parks & Open Space (Places and Spaces Strategy) Temporary up to 18 months

At the City of Kitchener, we believe Parks and Open Spaces build belonging and creates a sense of community. From working to ensure we get open space and parks built right into our rapidly growing communities, to responding to the challenges of intensification on parkland space, to working directly with our residents and partners through innovative solutions like Love My Hood, we are consistently striving to provide our residents with the very best in parks and open spaces.

We need a Project Manager to join our team to help shape Kitchener's Parks and Open Space landscape for the next generation. You will lead the development of 'Places & Spaces: An Open Space Strategy for Kitchener' through 2020 and 2021, working with a consultant, internal staff and a wide range of stakeholders to deliver an innovative strategic approach to the park and open spaces across the City. You will also act as the coordinator of parkland development, overseeing and managing from a parks perspective, the growth and changing demands on the city's parks as we respond to growth and development, in Canada's most rapidly growing community.

You Are:

- An innovative, process focused parks planner, able to manage multiple complex projects to tight deadlines
- Able to rapidly integrate into a team setting and work with a close peer group to deliver success
- Have experience of municipal park development and are familiar with responding to development proposals
- Excited by the prospect of community engagement in shaping future park and open space strategies

You might be interested in this role if:

- You are committed to high standards of public space design that respond to community needs
- You are excited to think outside of the box, working to deliver innovative results recognizing the constraints of a municipal environment
- You thrive in a fast paced environment
You enjoy helping to shape the future of parks and open spaces in an urban environment

Responsibilities:

- Manage the delivery of an Open Space Strategy including a comprehensive community engagement process, working with a consultant, and establishing a team of internal and community stakeholders
- Oversee and provide supervision of the consultant support the Open Space Strategy, and ensure that timelines are met
- Coordinate the response to site plans and development applications circulated to the Parks team for review and comment, ensuring complete comments are issued on time. Develop process to support this where needed.
- Provide a consistent commenting narrative to development services in all matters relating to park land development
- Provide support and input into park and open space initiatives such as responding to the Better Places to Live Act, with a particular focus on parkland provision

Requirements:

- 3 year degree/diploma in a related discipline.
- Minimum 4 years' experience in a related field

For details on how to apply, please visit www.kitchener.ca/employment.

Posting Closing date: March 30, 2020

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"The immediate relatives of staff of the Human Resources Division, all Directors, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer, or the Chief Administrative Officer and Elected Officials shall not be employed by the City in any capacity.

The immediate relatives of all other Management personnel shall not be employed where such employment would be:

- 1. within the same Department in the case of permanent full-time, temporary full-time and part-time classifications.*
- 2. within the same Division in the case of students."*

We are committed to diversity and inclusion, and thank all applicants in advance.

Accommodations are available during all stages of the recruitment process in accordance with the Human Rights Code.

We thank all applicants for their interest, however only candidates selected for further consideration will be contacted.