ASSOCIATE PLANNER (TRANSPORTATION)**

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS: This is specialized professional planning work of a difficult nature involving responsibility for a variety of planning activities in the area of transportation, including the preparation and maintenance of the County Transportation Plan. The work is performed under the supervision of a higher-level professional planner and the Commissioner of Public Transportation. Does related work as required.

TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES:
Develops and reviews land use and highway networks:
Assesses infrastructure needs;
Analyzes traffic and accident trends and makes traffic growth projections;
Identifies and analyzes transportation system deficiencies and needs for improvement and develops transportation goals and objectives, as necessary;
Acts as liaison with county departments and state and regional agencies in order to coordinate public transit planning activities, and develop and maintain the County Transportation Plan;
Coordinates the preparation of the Annual Transportation Improvement Program (TIP);
Evaluates transportation-related aspects of land development proposals.

FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, ABILITIES AND PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS:
Thorough knowledge of the principles, practices and techniques of municipal and county transportation planning work; ability to plan and design public transportation projects; ability to use a personal computer and software appropriate to various planning activities using transportation related software*; ability to work effectively with County Highway and Transportation Departments and with state and federal agencies; ability to communicate effectively both orally and in writing.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: Graduation from college with a major course of study in Physical Planning, Landscape Architecture, Building or Civil Engineering, Geography, Social Science, or a related field and three (3) years of professional planning or related experience, at least two (2) years of which must have involved traffic and/or transportation planning, research or analysis as a major function of the work.

NOTE: A Bachelor's degree in Community Planning or Traffic Engineering, or a Master's degree in one of the above courses may be substituted for one (1) year of the general experience requirement. A Master's degree in Community Planning or Traffic Engineering may be substituted for one (1) year of the general experience requirement and one (1) year of the specialty experience requirement.

*To be demonstrated during the probationary period.

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