

CITY OF LAKE ELSINORE

CITY MANAGER/EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR RDA

*Class specifications are only intended to present a descriptive summary of the range of duties and responsibilities associated with specified positions. Therefore, specifications **may not include all** duties performed by individuals within a classification. In addition, specifications are intended to outline the **minimum** qualifications necessary for entry into the class and do not necessarily convey the qualifications of incumbents within the position.*

DEFINITION:

Under policy direction, serves as the Chief Administrative Officer of the City and directs the activities and operations of all departments; advises and assists the City Council in the conduct of City business; provides administrative oversight to the operational and policy functions of City government; coordinates City business with the various programs, officials and outside agencies; provides a variety of other responsible and complex administrative support to the City Council; serves as the Executive Director of the Redevelopment Agency; serves as Secretary of the Public Finance Authority; performs other related duties as required.

DISTINGUISHING CHARACTERISTICS:

The **City Manager/Executive Director RDA** is the highest administrative management level position in the City and has responsibility for the administrative operation of the City departments, which may include developing, recommending and implementing policies, program planning, fiscal management, administration, and operations of all City functions and services. The incumbent is responsible for accomplishing the City's and the RDA's goals and objectives and for ensuring that the citizens are provided with desired and mandated services in an effective and cost efficient manner.

SUPERVISION RECEIVED/EXERCISED:

Receives policy direction from the City Council/RDA Board. Exercises direct and indirect supervision over all department heads and City staff.

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS: *(include but are not limited to the following)*

- Accepts full responsibility for all City and Redevelopment Agency activities, programs and services, including directing the development and implementation of goals, objectives, policies and procedures; ensures that established goals and priorities are achieved.
- Provides advice and consultation to the City Council/RDA Board on the development and implementation of City and RDA programs and services.
- Directs and participates in the preparation and administration of the City budget; prepares and submits reports of finances and administrative activities to the City Council/RDA Board; keeps Council advised of financial conditions, program progress, and present and future needs of the City.

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- Reviews and evaluates program service delivery methods and systems within the City and RDA, including administrative and support systems and internal relationships; identifies opportunities for improvement and implements changes to standard operating procedures to enhance services.
- Coordinates the preparation of the agenda, along with the City Clerk, for the City Council/RDA; addresses the City Council on behalf of City staff; represents the City Council to employees, community groups, individual members of the public and other governmental agencies; responds to the most difficult complaints and requests for information.
- Directs the implementation, maintenance and enforcement of City personnel policies and practices as prescribed by the City Council; selects, supervises, trains, and evaluates assigned staff.
- Confers with department heads and managers concerning administrative and operational problems, work plans, and strategic plans; makes appropriate decisions or recommendations; oversees the preparation and implementation of long-range plans for the City and RDA.
- Serves as a resource for the City Council, department personnel, City staff, other organizations, and the public; coordinates pertinent information, resources and work teams necessary to support a positive and productive environment.
- Performs all duties as prescribed by City Council actions; directs the preparation of plans and specifications for work which the City Council orders.
- Attends and participates in professional and community meetings as necessary; stays current on issues relative to public administration and relative service delivery responsibilities; responds to and resolves sensitive and complex community and organizational inquiries, issues and complaints; establishes and maintains a customer service orientation within the City organization.
- Establishes positive working relationships with representatives of community organizations, state/local agencies and associations, City management and staff, and the public.

PHYSICAL, MENTAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL WORKING CONDITIONS:

Position requires prolonged sitting, standing, walking, reaching, twisting, turning, kneeling, bending, squatting and stooping in the performance of daily activities. The position also requires grasping, repetitive hand movement and fine coordination in preparing statistical reports and data using a computer keyboard. Additionally, the position requires near and far vision in reading written reports and work related documents. Acute hearing is required when providing phone and personal service. The need to lift, drag and push files, paper and documents weighing up to 25 pounds also is required.

Some of these requirements may be accommodated for otherwise qualified individuals requiring and requesting such accommodations.

QUALIFICATIONS: *(The following are minimal qualifications necessary for entry into the classification.)*

Education and/or Experience:

Any combination of education and experience that has provided the knowledge, skills and abilities necessary for a **City Manager/Executive Director RDA**. A typical way of obtaining the required qualifications is to possess the equivalent of five years of directly related experience at an administrative, management or staff level in municipal government with at least two years as a manager or supervisor, and a bachelor's degree in public administration, business administration, public finance or a related field. A master's degree and direct experience working with a Council, Board or Commission is highly desirable.

License/Certificate:

Possession of, or the ability to obtain, a valid class C California driver's license.

KNOWLEDGE/ABILITIES/SKILLS: *(The following are a representative sample of the KAS's necessary to perform essential duties of the position.)*

Knowledge of:

Modern public administrative methods, procedures, organizations and functions; current social, political, and economic trends and operating characteristics of municipal government; principles and practices of municipal budgeting and finance; methods and techniques for goal setting and program evaluation; redevelopment guidelines and regulations; local and state legislative processes; principals of effective public relations and interrelationships with community groups and agencies, the private sector and other levels of government; methods and techniques of supervision, training and motivation; applicable federal and state laws, rules and regulations regarding local government operations; methods and techniques of scheduling work assignments; standard office procedures, practices and equipment; modern office equipment, including a computer and applicable software; methods and techniques for record keeping and report preparation and writing; proper English, spelling and grammar; occupational hazards and standard safety practices.

Ability to:

Provide effective leadership and coordinate the activities of a full-service municipal organization; develop and administer sound citywide goals, objectives, policies and methods for evaluating achievement and performance levels; properly interpret and make decisions in accordance with laws, regulations and policies; work with and coordinate the activities of administrative officials while encouraging their development as administrators; prepare clear and comprehensive written reports; serve effectively as the administrative agent of the City Council; represent the City Council to the general public and representatives of other agencies; facilitate group participation and consensus building; plan, organize, train, evaluate and direct work of assigned staff; interpret, explain and apply applicable laws, codes and regulations; read, interpret and record data accurately; organize, prioritize and follow-up on work assignments; work independently and as part of a team; make sound decisions within established guidelines; analyze a complex issue, and develop and implement an appropriate response; follow written and oral

directions; observe safety principles and work in a safe manner; communicate clearly and concisely, both orally and in writing; establish and maintain effective working relationships.

Skill to:

Operate an office computer, and a variety of word processing and software applications.