## Job Description

### Organization Summary

The City of South Euclid is an inclusive community with inviting, walkable neighborhoods and architecturally diverse housing options to fit every lifestyle and budget. It is a transit friendly community of over 22,000 residents located minutes from University Circle, Downtown Cleveland, and the I-271 Corridor. As a first-ring suburban community located on the east side of Cleveland, housing is the city’s primary industry. However, South Euclid is home to a diverse range of over 300 businesses. These businesses include educational and medical institutions, manufacturers, national retailers and restaurants, small businesses, and professional offices.

### Position Summary

The City of South Euclid is seeking an Assistant Director of Planning & Development to serve as the City’s chief revitalization specialist. This person will oversee all housing and neighborhood revitalization programs. The selected applicant will also serve as a liaison between the City and the small business community. In order to perform these duties, the successful candidate will be working in close partnership with the City’s community development corporation, One South Euclid.

### Position Responsibilities

- Serve as the City’s chief housing and neighborhood revitalization agent, working closely with the Building Department to administer various programs and housing policies.
- Manage the City’s land bank and ensure properties are being properly maintained.
- Monitor the tax status of all properties in the City, work closely with Cuyahoga County to ensure properties are moving through the tax foreclosure process as appropriate.
- Work closely with One South Euclid and City Council to manage the Build, Grow, Thrive Residential Resale Program, which is the sale of properties in the City’s land bank.
- Assist residents in navigating various assistance programs including mortgage assistance, rental assistance, and property tax assistance.
- Assist residents in navigating and obtaining funds from available exterior home repair programs.
- Utilize various mapping tools, such as GIS, to understand and interpret neighborhood trends.
- Engage various stakeholders, including realtors, and work to market the City in a positive manner.
- Serve as a liaison to the City’s small business community, regularly visit and communicate with businesses, maintain the City’s online business directory, and plan regular networking events.
- Assist new businesses with finding suitable locations in the City, help businesses navigate through City approval processes, and assist in maintaining the City’s online available properties database.
- Assist commercial property owners by matching them with potential tenants and informing them of property improvement assistance programs and programs to assist potential tenants.
- Represent the City on various regional groups such as the First Suburbs Consortium and chambers of commerce, and work with regional stakeholders on programs to benefit South Euclid.
- Provide general office support, represent the city at various community meetings and events, and perform other duties as assigned by the Director of Planning & Development.
| Position Requirements | - A Bachelor's Degree in Urban Studies, Public Administration, City Planning or related field, with a Master's Degree preferred.  
- Experience in planning, economic development, and/or community development is preferred.  
- A valid State of Ohio driver's license. Insured automobile preferred, but public transit is available.  
- Strong written and verbal communication skills.  
- Comfortability engaging all community stakeholders as individuals and in large group settings.  
- Ability to work independently and demonstrate initiative during periods of minimal supervision.  
- Physical ability to operate a computer, with basic to advanced GIS skills preferred, climb stairs, and move or lift objects up to (30) pounds.  
- Availability to work a flexible schedule including occasional nights and weekends, with attendance expected at a variety of community meetings and events. |
| Compensation | - $50,000 to $75,000 annual salary; 40 hours per week; 80 hours per pay period. Exact salary is dependent upon qualifications and experience.  
- Paid vacation and sick leave allocated according to the City of South Euclid's salary ordinance.  
- Employer sponsored health insurance including vision, dental, and life insurance options.  
- Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS). |
| Equity & Inclusion | The City of South Euclid is proud to be an equal opportunity employer. Applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, gender, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, national origin, disability, age, veteran status, or any other protected status. |
| Application | This position was posted April 26, 2022. To apply, candidates should submit a cover letter and resume in PDF format to mlove@seuclid.com. No phone calls please. This position will remain open until filled. |