Invites your interest for the position of Director of Community Development
Located in the heart of the Los Angeles Metropolitan Area, the City of South Gate is a busy, urban community consisting of residential, commercial and industrial development spread over 7.4 square miles. It currently ranks as the 73rd largest city in California and is known for its outstanding city services, remarkable parks and recreation facilities and family-friendly environment.

The Community Development Department consists of five divisions:

**Economic Development:** Works to provide an integrated approach to attracting, retaining and expanding a diversity of businesses in the city. Stimulate economic activity which grows the tax base; position the entire community to better compete in an evolving economy.

**Planning:** Ensures all development adheres to the long term goals and objectives of the City’s General Plan and Zoning Codes.

**Building & Safety:** Ensures that new and remodeled construction conforms with state law and city ordinances that relate to structural, fire, health and life safety requirements.

**Code Enforcement:** Works together with residents and the business community to preserve clean and safe neighborhoods.

**Housing Authority:** Its mission is to provide safe, decent and sanitary housing conditions for all spectrums of affordable income levels.
THE POSITION

South Gate is seeking an energetic individual with excellent management skills to lead the Community Development Department and be a key member of the City’s Executive Management Team. The Director of Community Development reports to the City Manager and is responsible for the management and direction of all economic development, planning, building & safety, code enforcement and housing authority activities.

THE IDEAL CANDIDATE

Is a problem solver who seeks input and strategically leads and manages. The individual will provide clear direction and embrace a team environment that motivates others, including peers, to perform at the highest level. The Director of Community Development must be an advocate for Customer Service - both internally and externally. The individual can think outside the normal course of business norms to help the community achieve its dreams safely and efficiently.

QUALIFICATIONS

- Bachelor’s degree in public or business administration, urban planning or related field is required.
- Five (5) years of professional management experience in directing urban planning, economic development or housing programs, preferably in a public or similar organization providing such services.
- A Master’s Degree in Public Administration or Business Administration is desirable.

COMPENSATION & BENEFITS

The salary range for this position is open and dependent upon qualifications; the current salary range is $146,172 to $177,672 annually. The City of South Gate offers an attractive benefits package:

- 2.7% @ 55 CalPERS for “classic members”
- Auto Allowance - $475 monthly
- Life Insurance - $100,000
- Medical, Dental & Vision Insurance
- Vacation Leave
- Sick Leave
- Administrative Leave

South Gate also offers a 4/10 workweek and a holiday week off between Christmas Eve and New Year’s Day, in addition to other holidays observed by the City throughout the year.
APPLICATION & SELECTION PROCESS

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The applicants will be screened and those possessing the most desirable qualifications will be invited to continue in the selection process. Prior to employment, the prospective candidate must successfully complete a thorough medical examination, including drug screen and fingerprinting. A select group of candidates will be asked to provide references once it is anticipated that they may be recommended as finalists; references will only be contacted following candidate approval.

DEADLINE TO APPLY: APRIL 8, 2021