OF CHICAGO

Code: 1602

Family: Planning and Urban Development Service: Administrative Service

Group: Statistical, Technical and Analytical Group

Series: Real Estate and Legal Series

# CLASS TITLE: SENIOR LAND ACQUISITION/DISPOSITION OFFICER

#### CHARACTERISTICS OF THE CLASS

Under general supervision, performs at the fully functional level where positions work independently in the acquisition and/or disposition of City-owned property, and performs other duties as required

#### **ESSENTIAL DUTIES**

- Participates in the acquisition and/or disposition of City-owned property, ensuring compliance with City ordinances and state regulations
- Orders title searches of sites being considered for acquisition and disposition
- Assigns appraisers to evaluate and determine the fair market value of property to be bought or sold
- Selects surveyors to provide certified plats of land and areas surrounding designated properties
- Drafts newspaper advertisements in order to publicize the availability of City-owned property
- Prepares and files legal documents needed to sell or purchase property
- Participates in the preparation of ordinances required to dispose of or purchase City property
- Reviews invoices to ensure appropriateness of charges for contracted services and forwards for payment
- Updates and maintains property related data in the Land Inventory System (LIS) and tax exempt status records for conveyed and sold parcels of land
- Responds to inquiries from managers, vendors, and operating departments concerning Cityowned property
- Conducts site inspections of property to be bought or sold, as required
- Testifies at City Council proceedings regarding proposed acquisitions and dispositions of property, as required

**NOTE**: The list of essential duties is not intended to be inclusive; there may be other duties that are essential to particular positions within the class.

#### MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

# **Education, Training, and Experience**

Four years of experience in the acquisition and/or disposition of real estate property; or an
equivalent combination of education, training, and experience

# Licensure, Certification, or Other Qualifications

None

#### **WORKING CONDITIONS**

General office environment

#### **EQUIPMENT**

Standard office equipment (e.g., telephone, printer, photocopier, fax machine, calculator)

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 Computers and peripheral equipment (e.g., personal computer, computer terminals, hand-held computer, scanner)

#### PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS

No specific requirements

## KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, ABILITIES, AND OTHER WORK REQUIREMENTS

### Knowledge

Moderate knowledge of:

- \*practices and procedures of land/property acquisition, development, and disposition
- \*property appraisals, surveys, and title searches
- \*applicable computer software packages and applications
- generally accepted real estate principles, practices, and procedures

Some knowledge of:

- real estate trends and fair market value of City-owned property
- database management, including data analysis and report preparation and writing
- applicable federal, state, and local laws, regulations, and guidelines
- \*applicable mathematical principles and applications

Knowledge of applicable City and department policies, procedures, rules, and regulations

## **Skills**

- \*ACTIVE LEARNING Understand the implications of new information for both current and future problem-solving and decision-making
- \*ACTIVE LISTENING Give full attention to what other people are saying, taking time to understand the points being made, ask questions as appropriate, and not interrupt at inappropriate times
- \*COMPLEX PROBLEM SOLVING Identify complex problems and review related information to develop and evaluate options and implement solutions

Other skills as required for successful performance in the Land Acquisition/Disposition Officer class

## **Abilities**

- COMPREHEND ORAL INFORMATION Listen to and understand information and ideas presented through spoken words and sentences
- SPEAK Communicate information and ideas in speaking so others will understand
- COMPREHEND WRITTEN INFORMATION Read and understand information and ideas presented in writing
- WRITE Communicate information and ideas in writing so others will understand
- WORK WITH NUMBERS Add, subtract, multiply, or divide quickly and correctly

All employees of the City of Chicago must demonstrate commitment to and compliance with applicable state and federal laws, and City ordinances and rules; the City's Ethics standards; and other City policies and procedures. The City of Chicago will consider equivalent foreign degrees, accreditations, and credentials in evaluating qualifications.

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\* May be required at entry.

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