

# HIDALGO COUNTY URBAN COUNTY PROGRAM

## DEPUTY DIRECTOR

### GENERAL DESCRIPTION

Performs highly advanced (senior-level) policy administration and managerial work; Work involves specialized knowledge of state government, strategic planning, and County administration. Works closely with the executive director on the day-to-day operations of the County; Works under minimal supervision with extensive latitude for the use of initiative and independent judgment.

### EXAMPLES OF WORK PERFORMED

Provides counsel and advice to the executive director regarding County operations.

Manages the day-to-day operations of the County

Ensures that the agency adheres to County goals and objectives

Provides counsel and advice to members of the county upon request

Provides information and advice to county agencies and the general public regarding County activities and responsibilities

May act as executive director in the absence of the executive director

Performs related work as assigned

### GENERAL QUALIFICATION GUIDELINES

#### Experience and Education

Five (5) years of experience in public administration and/or management work

Graduation from an accredited four-year college or university with major course work in business, public administration, or related field required

Master's degree in Planning, Public Administration or Business Administration

Two (2) years of related experience may be substituted for one (1) year of the required education with a maximum substitution of two years

Bilingual (Spanish and English) with the ability to converse fluently in both languages

## **CERTIFICATES, LICENSES, REGISTRATION**

May be required to be certified, registered, or licensed in a specialty area

Must have a current valid Texas motor vehicle operator's license

Must be able to be insured by the County's insurance carrier

## **Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities**

Knowledge of local, state, and federal laws and regulations and of the principles and practices of public administration and management

Ability to read, interpret, and accept documents such as safety rules, operating and maintenance instructions and procedure manuals

Ability to complete reports and answer routing correspondence

Ability to apply common sense understanding and direct staff in written, oral or diagram form

Ability to supervise and communicate effectively with staff and the public

Ability to deal with problems involving several concrete variables in standardized situations

Must have experience in office or related work

Must have knowledge of computers and spreadsheets

Must have previous supervisory experience

General knowledge of city, county, and state government is required

Ability to assist the public in person or by telephone

Must have good writing and communication skills

Must be well organized

Ability to work well with others including vendors, department employees, elected officials, and departments heads

Employee may be assigned other duties in addition to those listed; duties may change according to the changing needs of the County

## **PHYSICAL DEMANDS:**

The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job.

While performing the duties of this job, the employee is regularly required to talk or hear. The employee frequently is required to stand. The employee is occasionally required to walk; sit; use hands to find, handle, or feel objects, tools or controls; reach with hands and arms; climb or balance; stoop and kneel.

The employee must occasionally lift and/or move over 25 pounds. Specific vision abilities required by this job include close vision, depth perception, and the ability to adjust focus.

#### **WORK ENVIRONMENT:**

The work environment characteristics described here are representative of those an employee encounter while performing the essential functions of this job.

The noise level in the work environment is usually moderate.

#### **SAFETY REQUIREMENTS:**

Maintain physical conditions appropriate to the performance of assigned duties and responsibilities which may include the following:

- sitting for extended periods of time
- standing for extended periods of time
- operating assigned equipment

Maintain mental capacity which permits:

- making sound decisions and using good judgment
- demonstrating intellectual capabilities

Effectively handle a work environment and conditions which involve:

- working closely with others
- working in a multi-task environment

Maintain effective audio-visual discrimination and perception needed for:

- making observations
- reading and writing
- operating assigned equipment
- communication with others
- required to follow the Hidalgo County Accident Prevention Plan and department's safety regulations