



CITY OF BRIDGEPORT, CONNECTICUT

The City of Bridgeport is now accepting submissions for the position of

Plan Reviewer *Building Department*

The Building Department issues permits and inspects work done to all buildings and other structures. Permits include building, electrical, plumbing, heating, air conditioning, fire protection sprinklers and extinguishing systems, refrigeration, demolition, and signs. Applications for permits are reviewed for conformance to all applicable laws, codes, and ordinances. A permit constitutes permission to proceed with the approved work. The purpose of permits and inspections is to ensure public safety, health, and welfare insofar as they are affected by building construction, through structural strength, adequate exit facilities, fire safety, light and ventilation and sanitary equipment. The Building Department function is to secure safety to life and property from hazards incident to the design, erection, repair, removal, demolition or planned occupancy of buildings, structures, or premises.

For more information visit: <https://www.bridgeportct.gov/government/departments/building-department>



Salary and Benefits: \$97,062.00 (Step 1) - \$99,875.00 (Step 2) - \$102,663.00 (Step 3) - \$105,479.00 (Step 4) - \$106,009.00 (Step 5) per year. This position is affiliated with the Bridgeport City Supervisors Association (aka “BCSA”) and includes an extensive package of benefits as outlined with the associated collective bargain agreement (aka “union contract”). The above salary is subject to cost-of-living increases as negotiated by BCSA. The benefits shall include health insurance coverage (medical, dental, vision, prescription), a term life insurance policy, paid leave (sick, vacation, personal), paid holidays, and other voluntary employee paid benefits.

The City of Bridgeport also offers several voluntary benefit programs via automatic payroll deduction: 457(b) Deferred Compensation Plan with Roth options (employee paid), legal services, and complimentary discounted perks for city municipal employees. Tuition reimbursement is available to most City employees based upon the terms of the contract which covers the employee. Additionally, retail and tuition discounts may be available at various universities and businesses that have partnered with the City of Bridgeport.

The city participates in the Connecticut Municipal Employees Retirement System (CMERS) (www.osc.ct.gov/rbsd/cmers/muniretire.htm), which requires both employer and employee contributions. Please be aware that your earnings from this position are not covered under Social Security; instead, you will make contributions towards your government pension plan. For further information, you may visit the Social Security website at ssa.gov.

Application Process: Mail, deliver or email a resume, a cover letter, and three (3) professional references to the

Civil Service Commission office, Room 106, 45 Lyon Terrace, Bridgeport, Connecticut 06604 or by email to COB.Jobs@bridgeportct.gov. Please include “Plan Reviewer” in the subject line.

Accepting complete submissions until Friday, November 1, 2024.

(Any/all changes to this opening shall be at the discretion of the City of Bridgeport).

This position will require a pre-employment medical examination and controlled substance screening.

Municipal Profile

The City of Bridgeport is in Fairfield County at the mouth of the Pequonnock River on Long Island Sound. It is bordered by the towns of Trumbull to the north, Fairfield to the west, and Stratford to the east; with an approximate population of 147,000, 50,367 households, and a population density of 9,226 residents per square mile. Nicknamed the “Park City” for its over 40 public parks and 1,300 acres of public space, Bridgeport is a vibrant community home to numerous attractions that enhance the City’s economic fortunes. The [Barnum Museum](#) showcases the life and times of the former City mayor and renowned showman, P.T. Barnum. The [Hartford Healthcare Amphitheater](#) holds live music and other shows. The [Total Mortgage Arena](#) brings hundreds of thousands of visitors annually to Bridgeport’s Downtown to watch minor league hockey, college basketball, college hockey, and other events. The [Connecticut's Beardsley Zoo](#) is one of the most visited tourist attractions and only zoo in the State. The [Sacred Heart University's Discovery Museum and Planetarium](#), located in the North End of the City, offers interactive science and space displays. Additionally, Bridgeport is home to a [Vinny Brand's Stress Factory Comedy Club](#), [Downtown Cabaret Theatre](#), and many [fine dining](#) options.

Governing Structure

The city has a Mayor-City Council form of government. Bridgeport has an elected mayor who serves as the chief executive officer of the municipal government and serves a four-year term. The current mayor is Joseph P. Ganim, who is currently serving his eighth term as mayor. The City Council is the twenty-member legislative body whose two major responsibilities are enacting ordinances necessary to ensure the welfare and good order of the City and adopting the City’s [annual budget](#). Councilmembers are elected by the residents of the ten council districts to represent the concerns, needs, and issues of their constituents, and work to improve the City’s neighborhoods. All Councilmembers serve a two-year term in office.

GENERAL STATEMENT OF DUTIES:

Review, analyze and evaluate preliminary and final construction plans, specifications and permit applications for submission to the Building Department. Perform any work as related to permit process.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

The essential functions or duties described below are the primary functions and duties of the position. There may be other types of work that may be performed, and the omission of a particular duty or function does not exclude that duty or function from the position provided the duty or function is similar in work, related to the work or logically assigned to the position.

- Review applications accurately for use and occupancy, specific code requirements for construction classification, existing layout, floor areas and other architectural features.
- Review structural design to ensure conformance to code required loads and calculated stresses.
- Verify approval with Zoning and Historic District regulations or other City Departments.
- Aid and explain codes and standards to contractors, architects, engineers, developers, property owners and other interested parties.
- Assist other Building Department staff and other City departments with code related matters and information. Prepare accurate records during plan reviews, correspondence and permit processing.
- Performs related work as necessary.

MINIMUM EDUCATIONAL AND EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENTS:

- High School, Vocational School or equivalent.
- No less than five (5) years' experience in construction, design or supervision of construction of buildings on a full-time basis; preferred.
- Any equivalent combination of experience and training which provides a demonstrated potential for performing the duties of the position.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES:

- Strong verbal, organizational and interpersonal skills.
- Ability to read and interpret plans and specifications.
- Thorough knowledge of Connecticut State Building Code and Connecticut State Fire Code and current City, State and Federal Regulations pertaining to Building Construction.
- Must be proficient in a variety of computer software applications: including Office 365 and planning and permitting applications as necessary.
- Considerable knowledge of principles, practices and methods of building construction.
- Ability to organize, prioritize and plan/schedule work tasks to meet deadlines.

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LICENSES AND CERTIFICATIONS:

- A valid Connecticut Driver's License may be required for transportation between various sites.
- License by the State of Connecticut Department of Administrative Services Division of Construction Services as Building Official prior to the end of six (6) month probationary period.

PHYSICAL DEMANDS AND WORK ENVIRONMENT:

The physical demands and work environment characteristics described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations which do not cause undue hardship may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

- While performing the duties of this job, the employee is frequently required to walk, sit and talk or hear. The employee is occasionally required to use hands to finger, handle, feel or operate objects, tools or controls; and reach with hands and arms. The employee is occasionally required to climb or balance; stoop, kneel, crouch or crawl. The employee may lift and/or move up to 25 pounds. Specific vision abilities required by this job include close vision, distance vision, color vision, peripheral vision, depth perception and the ability to adjust focus.
- Essential and marginal functions may require maintaining the physical condition necessary for sitting for prolonged periods of time. Tasks may involve extended periods of time at a keyboard or workstation. Frequent downward flexion of neck, side-to-side turning of the neck, fine finger dexterity and grasp to manipulate the keyboard, telephone, writing instruments, papers, books, manuals, and reports.

This job description is not, nor is to be intended to be, a complete statement of all duties, functions, responsibilities, and qualifications which comprise this position. The above is intended as a general summary only. You should not rely on it as a complete or binding explanation. This summary is subject to the reasonable discretion of city management. This summary does not constitute a contract of employment, express or implied, between the employee and City of Bridgeport. This is an informational guide and is subject to correction of any information which may have been inadvertently misstated.

The City of Bridgeport is an Equal Opportunity Employer

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