

## POSITION POSTING March 1, 2017

## Executive Director - Rockingham Planning Commission

The Rockingham Planning Commission, the regional land use and transportation planning agency for southeast New Hampshire, is seeking to fill the position of Executive Director beginning August 1, 2017.

The Executive Director's role offers candidates an exceptional opportunity to lead a dynamic planning organization in New Hampshire's Seacoast Region. The RPC is one of nine regional planning commissions in the State of New Hampshire. The Executive Director concurrently serves as Executive Director of the Metropolitan Planning Organization ("MPO") for the region.

The Search Committee is seeking a highly qualified, outstanding Executive Director to lead the evolution of the RPC/MPO, to continue the exemplary work of the Commission, to meet future needs of its member communities and the region, and to position the organization to meet these needs.

Above all the successful candidate will demonstrate the desire and ability to lead, motivate and support a committed group of highly skilled, professional members of the staff. He or she will have demonstrated capabilities in interpersonal, communications, technical and management areas. These are necessary to develop the agency vision, strategies, organization and relationships with member communities to lead the RPC in successfully adapting to a changing environment for regional planning commissions and metropolitan planning organizations.

He or she will also have the know how to sustain and develop successful relationships with member municipalities and with external stakeholders – including state and federal agencies, and other public and private regional organizations, and to maintain the RPC's standing as a respected and influential voice in the region and in New Hampshire's planning community. Job responsibilities include representing the agency on, and participating in, external organizations as needed to represent the interests of the region.

Authorized by State statute, the RPC serves in an advisory role to local governments to promote coordinated planning, orderly growth, efficient land use, transportation access, economic development, and environmental protection. The agency serves 27 communities in Rockingham County, NH, which voluntarily join the Commission and appoint its representatives. In aggregate, member communities have a population of just over 200,000. The region encompasses all municipalities on New Hampshire's seacoast, as well as the many growing communities interior to the coast, as far west as I-93. The region is diverse, dynamic, accessible and offers a high quality of life.

Minimum qualifications for the position, unless otherwise determined by the Commission, are a Master's Degree in planning, public administration or a related field and seven (7) years of professional experience, at least two of which must include managerial responsibilities. Please see <a href="https://www.rpc-nh.org/commission/employment">www.rpc-nh.org/commission/employment</a> for specific qualifications and responsibilities.

Compensation, including a comprehensive benefits package, will be competitive with comparable positions in New Hampshire and based on the qualifications and experience of the successful candidate. To apply, send a letter of interest and resume via email by close of business on March 31, 2017 to *Mr. Phil Wilson, Chair, RPC Executive Director Search Committee, at:* exec\_dir\_search@comcast.net.