



**CITY OF FREEPORT, ILLINOIS
CITY MANAGER**

City Manager, Freeport, IL (pop. 25,000). Historic community in northwestern Illinois, Freeport is 25 miles west of Rockford, 20 miles south of the Wisconsin border and easily accessible to major metropolitan areas in every direction. Site of an 1858 Lincoln-Douglas debate, known for more than 150 years as “Pretzel City” and home to several Fortune 500 companies, Freeport combines history and progress in an area offering both urban and rural living.

The City is seeking its first-ever City Manager, a charter change passed by referendum in November 2016, and heartily supported by the city’s elected officials. The City is seeking an innovative and collaborative professional with strong communication skills to successfully lead the organization and community through this significant change of governance and firmly establish the position as an integral part of Freeport’s contemporary delivery of public services.

A record of visibility in the community, proven financial/analytical and human resources skills is required. Experience in economic development is desired. Freeport is a full-service City including Police, Fire/EMS, Public Works, Water and Sewer, City Engineer, Community Development, Library and administrative support services. Parks are offered through a separate district. The City has approximately 190 full-time and 30 part-time employees, a combined \$47 million budget and is rated A by Standard & Poor’s.

Candidates must have a bachelor’s degree in public administration or related field; at least five years of responsible municipal management experience preferred. Assistant administrator experience, or related municipal management or leadership experience in a larger community, will also be considered. A Master’s degree in public administration, business administration or other advanced executive level training such as ICMA Credentialed Manager is highly desired.

Candidates must possess proven managerial and interpersonal skills to lead a team-oriented organization in an engaged community. The City Manager is appointed by the City Council. Residency is required. Starting salary range: \$110,000 – \$135,000 +/- DOQ. Excellent benefit package. Candidates should apply by March 6, 2017 with resume, cover letter and contact information for five work-related references to www.govhrusa.com/current-positions/recruitment to the attention of Lee Szymborski, Senior Vice President, GovHR USA, 630 Dundee Road, #130, Northbrook, IL 60062. Tel: 847-380-3240.