

City of Joliet, Illinois City Manager

City Manager, City of Joliet, IL (149,500) Joliet is one of the fastest-growing cities in the country. Since 1990, Joliet has grown from a population of 77,000 occupying approximately 30 square miles of land to 149,386 people occupying 63 square miles of land. Following the results of a special census conducted in 2016, Census Bureau estimates indicate Joliet is now the third largest City in Illinois. Joliet is also the largest Council-Manager city in Illinois. The City seeks candidates for the next City Manager as a result of the retirement of its current City Manager.

Joliet's strategic location 45 miles southwest of Chicago is a key factor in its economic success and will continue to be so in the years ahead. The City is served by multiple interstate highways, four Class I railroads; and an inland waterway system. New investments in rail and intermodal have made Joliet and Will County the largest inland port in North America. The City has experienced over 5 million square feet of annual industrial construction attracting such companies as Amazon, IKEA, Mars, Whirlpool, Saddle Creek Logistics and others.

Joliet is an attractive entertainment center. Harrah's Casino and Hollywood Casino draw hundreds of thousands of visitors to Joliet each year. The historic and beautifully renovated Rialto Theater provides a full schedule of theater, musical and other cultural attractions. City-owned Slammers Field, constructed in 2002 in downtown Joliet, is the home of the Joliet Slammers, a minor-league baseball team which plays in the independent Frontier League. Auto racing, including NASCAR and Nationwide series races at the Chicagoland Speedway and NHRA races at the Route 66 Raceway, are two venues which draw many regional and national fans to Joliet on an annual basis.

The City of Joliet is a home rule municipality that operates under the Council/Manager form of government. The Mayor and eight City Council Members are elected to four-year, overlapping terms. The City Council appoints the City Manager.

The position requires the following:

- A Bachelor's Degree; a Master's degree in Public Administration, Public Policy or related field is preferred.
- Five (5) years progressively responsible municipal experience in a community of similar size and complexity, or any equivalent combination of education and experience that would demonstrate the skills and abilities to perform the work.
- Candidates must have strong leadership skills, open and honest communication skills and an approachable style, and the proven ability to establish and maintain strong working relationships.
- Strong financial and budget management experience, economic development success, and labor relations experience.
- The ability to express ideas effectively in written and oral form is also required.

Starting salary range is \$185,000 to \$220,000, depending on qualifications and experience. Excellent benefits package. Residency is required within one year of appointment. Submit résumé, cover letter, and contact information for five professional references by June 16, 2017 online to GovHR USA, LLC – www.govhrusa.com/current-positions/recruitment. Questions regarding the recruitment may be directed to Joellen C. Earl, CEO, GovHR USA at 847-380-3238.

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