



Grand Rapids, MI – City Manager

City Manager – Grand Rapids, MI (pop. 196,445). Grand Rapids is the 2nd largest City in Michigan and the largest city in West Michigan. It is located on the Grand River about 30 miles east of Lake Michigan. Grand Rapids is the county seat of Kent County. The City has received numerous recognitions ranging from #1 City to Raise a Family (*Forbes* – 2015) to ArtPrize Festival being named Top Five Festivals Worldwide (*Time Magazine* – 2013).

Grand Rapids provides a full range of services to a diverse group of year-round residents, students and visitors. Proud of its vibrant downtown as well as its solid and varied residential neighborhoods, Grand Rapids metropolitan area is home to fifteen institutions of higher education. The City seeks an experienced executive to serve as its next City Manager.

The City is governed by a 7-member Board of Commissioners. The Board of Commissioners is elected, on a non-partisan basis, for four-year overlapping terms and there is a limit of two terms. The Mayor presides over the Board of Commissioners. The Board appoints the City Manager. The Board also appoints the City Attorney, City Clerk and City Treasurer, all of whom oversee their respective departments. There is a separately elected City Comptroller. The City has approximately 1,500 employees, 14 collective bargaining units, and total budget of approximately \$450 million.

Candidates must have:

- A Bachelor's degree plus 10 years of increasingly responsible executive level experience in either a public or private sector organization. A Master's degree in public administration, business administration and other advanced executive level training is highly preferred.
- Considerable supervisory experience of professional staff is required. An equivalent combination of education and experience will be considered.
- A collaborative, strategic and innovative leader with strong communication skills. An appreciation for stakeholder inclusiveness and an active citizenry is essential as is an individual who is ethical and trustworthy.
- A record of visibility in the community, and the ability to think strategically and remain focused on the City's long-term goals is required.
- Proven ability to establish positive working relationships with community and regional partners is essential.

Expected starting salary is \$175,000 to \$225,000, DOQ. Residency is highly encouraged. Candidates should apply online by December 15, 2017 with cover letter, resume, and contact information for five professional references to www.govhrusa.com/current-positions/recruitment attention Joellen C.

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