



Office Title: Bronx Urban Designer	Civil Service Title: Assistant Urban Designer
Level:	Salary Range: \$57,078 - \$65,640
Division / Work Unit: Bronx Borough Office	Number of Positions: 1
Job ID: 482150	Hours / Shift: Monday – Friday (9am -5pm)
Position Status: Full-Time / Permanent	Application Deadline: Until Filled
DISCLAIMER: The NYC Department of City Planning does not offer Sponsorship, of any kind, for any type of employment opportunity.	

THE AGENCY

The Department of City Planning (DCP) plans for the strategic growth and development of the City through ground-up planning with communities, the development of land use policies and zoning regulations applicable citywide and sharing its perspectives on growth and community needs with sister agencies in collaboration with the Office of Management and Budget (OMB).

DCP’s six strategic objectives include: (a) catalyze long-term neighborhood improvement through integrated planning and targeted accompanying public investments; (b) encourage housing production, affordability, and quality; (c) promote economic development and job growth; (d) enhance resiliency and sustainability of neighborhoods; (e) ensure integrity, timeliness and responsiveness in land use reviews; and, (f) supply objective data and expertise to a broad range of planning functions and stakeholders.

Central to its mission, DCP supports the City Planning Commission in its annual review of approximately 450 land use applications. The Department also works closely with OMB in developing the Ten-Year Capital Strategy, and helping administer the Neighborhood Development Fund, geared toward ensuring that growing neighborhoods undergoing rezoning have accompanying infrastructure investments.

The New York City Department of City Planning is a great place to work – cultivating intellectual inspiration, professional development and creativity. Visit our website at www.nyc.gov/planning to access the full listing of job opportunities and to learn more about our great agency.

THE DIVISION:

The Bronx Borough Office of the Department of City Planning seeks an experienced community-based City Planner to assist in the implementation of its robust work program. The Bronx has again reached its all-time population level and by 2040, it is projected to grow by more than 200,000 residents, a 14% increase making it one of the fastest growing counties in New York State. The Bronx Office has a diverse and dynamic work

program focused on the creation and strengthening of great neighborhoods, affordable housing, vibrant commercial and institutional centers, rich transit opportunities, and high-quality open space and waterfronts. The Office is an engaging and dynamic work environment charged with the development of borough-wide and local plans, management of development projects subject to the Uniform Land Use Review Procedure (ULURP), and providing input to agency policy and communicating it effectively to an audience that includes the, City Planning Commission, elected officials, and local communities. The Bronx Office is responsible for a wide range of land use planning, urban design, outreach and policy implementation. The Office works in close consultation with the central divisions on borough-specific and city-wide issues.

THE POSITION:

The Urban Designer will be an essential part of a collaborative team to carry out neighborhood planning initiatives throughout the Bronx including continued outreach and development of a draft plan for the Bronx Metro-North Station-Area Study as well as implementation of the plan. The ideal candidate will have strong design skills and a good grasp of land use and public policy issues of primary importance to the department, including zoning, urban design, affordable housing, and economic development. The ideal candidate will be a curious and enthusiastic learner, an artful problem-solver, a critical and engaged user of design technology, and possess a positive attitude toward interdisciplinary work and community service.

Under Supervision, with latitude for independent judgment, the Urban Designer will perform work including the following:

- Support neighborhood studies with graphics (maps, diagrams, plans, sections, three-dimensional models etc.) associated with plans, reports, and presentations using Adobe Creative Suite, Rhino, Sketch Up and other design programs.
- Provide urban design expertise to advance the neighborhood planning process and other DCP priorities through sketching, visioning, and graphic representation of the plan principles.
- Develop, design, and execute community engagement and outreach strategies related to urban design aspects of neighborhood planning efforts
- Plan, organize, and conduct zoning, land use, and urban design studies to support borough planning
- Review, analyze, and make recommendations to support review of land use applications
- Serve as DCP liaison to a Bronx community board
- Develop and maintain a working knowledge of the NYC Zoning Resolution and city's urban design and planning trends through research and field experience
- Collaborate with the Urban Design Division and urban designers across DCP
- Perform other related tasks and projects.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS:

Authorization to work in the United States is required for this position. **NYC Department of City Planning does not provide sponsorship for international employees.** Applicants are responsible for ensuring that they meet all minimum qualifying requirements for this position at the time of application.

- 1. A baccalaureate degree in architecture from an accredited college and one (1) year of full-time experience in planning, design, research, investigations and/or studies related to urban design development programs; or**
- 2. Education and/or experience equivalent to "1" above. However, a baccalaureate degree in architecture is required of all candidates. Graduate work leading to an advanced degree in architecture, urban design or city planning may be substituted for the one year of experience described above.**

PREFERRED SKILLS

- Demonstrated urban design capabilities with knowledge of physical design practices including site planning and programming, building layout, zoning calculations, massing and architectural design
 - Competence in free-hand sketches strongly preferred, computer-based drawings, 3D modeling, database and/or geographic information computer software. Proficiency in using tools such as: Rhino, Adobe Creative Suite, ArcGIS and experience with tools such as SketchUp, Grasshopper, AutoCAD
 - Demonstrated presentation, public speaking, and written communication skills
 - Strong research and analytical skills
 - Motivated self-starter with an ability to collaborate and communicate in a team setting
 - Demonstrated ability to self-manage and capacity to take initiative, and to complete tasks in a timely fashion
 - Knowledge of New York City's general urban planning, urban design, and land use issues, policies, and needs, as well as best practice examples from around the world
 - Proficiency in Spanish desired.
-

TO APPLY: All applications must be submitted through the NYC Careers / ESS Website

City Employees

1. Log in to ESS.
2. Search for job ID number: **482150**
3. Click on the job business title: **Bronx Urban Designer**
4. Click on "Apply Now" at the bottom of the posting

Non-City Employees – Please visit: <https://www1.nyc.gov/jobs/> and follow the steps below:

1. Search for job ID number: **482150**
 2. Click on the job business title: **Bronx Urban Designer**
 3. Click on "Apply Now" at the bottom of the posting
-

Only applicants under consideration will be contacted. Appointments are subject to Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval.

As of August 2, 2021, all new hires must be vaccinated against the COVID-19 virus, unless they have been granted a reasonable accommodation for religion or disability. If you are offered city employment, this requirement must be met by your date of hire, unless a reasonable accommodation for exemption is received and approved by the hiring agency.

PLEASE NOTE: New York City residency is generally required within 90 days of appointment. However, City Employees in certain titles who have worked for the City for 2 continuous years may also be eligible to reside in Nassau, Suffolk, Putnam, Westchester, Rockland, or Orange County. To determine if the residency requirement applies to you, please discuss with a Human Capital representative.

THE DEPARTMENT OF CITY PLANNING IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER AND A COPY OF THE EQUAL OPPORTUNITY PROGRAMS IS AVAILABLE IN THE HUMAN CAPITAL DIVISION. THE DEPARTMENT MAKES AVAILABLE ACCOMMODATIONS FOR DISABLED APPLICANTS.