

# **Position Description**

POSITION DETAILS			
Position Title:	City Architect	Position Grade:	17
Department / Group:	Office of the Chief Executive Officer	Position Status / Hours per Week:	Permanent / 35 hours

# PRIMARY PURPOSE OF THE POSITION

The City Architect is responsible for the leadership and management of the day-to-day operations of the Department's staff, finances and assets in accordance with the organisations mission, structure and resources as approved by the Council and articulated in the Department Business Plan.

This position is ultimately responsible for:

- 1. Aligning the Department's operations and projects to the Business Plan in support of Council's Community Strategic Plan.
- 2. Modelling a culture that aligns with the organisation's values and mission.
- Collaborating with Executive Officers to ensure an integrated approach to the development of city-wide strategies

Key accountabilities of the role include:

- Provide leadership in the provision of efficient, responsive, consistent and customer focused services across City Shaping accountabilities.
- Provide expertise and guidance in the design process across Council's architectural, landscape architectural, recreation planning and engineering design
- Managing the development of relevant strategic plans, programs and projects
- Reporting of performance against Four Year Delivery Plan, Annual Operating Plans and quarterly reviews
  which deliver Council's strategic outcomes of City of Ryde as well as relevant Department programs
- Ensure frameworks are in place for the Department's compliance with all relevant legislation and Council
  policies and ensure that risks are managed.
- Developing and maintaining productive relationships with internal and external stakeholders
- Managing the development and continuous improvement of the Department's policies, systems, procedures, practices, and deliverables.
- Developing and motivating staff to build and maintain a positive workplace that fosters productivity,
   efficiency, client and customer service and continuous improvement regarding service delivery.
- Exercising the functions of the Council as delegated by the Chief Executive Officer and to ensure appropriate delegation is in place throughout the Department.
- Other duties as directed in accordance with incumbent's skill, competence and training.

## **SELECTION CRITERIA**

#### **Essential Qualifications**

• Relevant qualifications in architecture, landscape architecture, engineering, urban planning or a related discipline

# **Essential Leadership/Management Skills**

- Proven ability to lead, manage, motivate and develop a multi-disciplinary team
- Ability to build relationships both internally and externally, and utilise effective influencing, consultation, communication and negotiation skills to achieve business and organisational outcomes

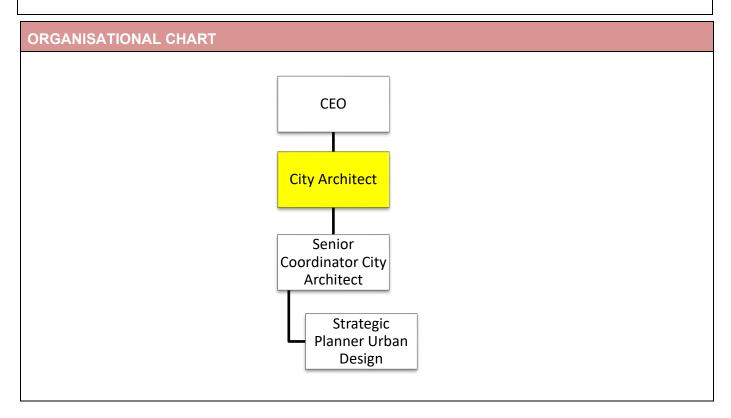
#### **Essential Technical Skills**

- Extensive demonstrated experience in project management within the fields of architecture, landscape architecture or civil design
- Proven ability in leadership for a diverse range of professional and technical areas
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills including the ability to liaise with senior staff, government agencies, contractors and stakeholders at all levels
- Strong organisational skills and demonstrated ability to prioritise and manage competing tasks, meet deadlines and achieve targets
- Highly developed written communication skills including the ability to prepare Council reports, service level agreements, complex briefings and technical reports
- Demonstrated conceptual and analytical skills and judgement, including the ability to interpret and apply legislation, policy and guidelines

## **Desirable**

Bilingual language skills

**Please note**: In line with Council's COVIDSafe Workplace Policy & Procedure all staff are required to be vaccinated against COVID-19.



City of Ryde Capability Framework			
Capability Group	Capability Name	Level	
	Lead Self	Highly Advanced	
fg	Display Resilience & Adaptability	Advanced	
	Act with Integrity	Highly Advanced	
Personal Attributes	Accountability & Safety	Highly Advanced	
	Communicate & Engage	Advanced	
<b>6</b> 5	Customer & Community Focus	Highly Advanced	
	Work Collaboratively	Advanced	
Relationships	Influence & Negotiate	Highly Advanced	
	Plan & Prioritise	Highly Advanced	
	Think and Solve Problems	Highly Advanced	
	Create & Innovate	Highly Advanced	
Results	Deliver Results	Highly Advanced	
	Finance	Advanced	
0	Assets & Tools	Highly Advanced	
	Technology & Information	Advanced	
Resources	Procurement & Contracts	Advanced	
	Manage & Develop People	Advanced	
<b>****</b>	Inspire Direction & Purpose	Highly Advanced	
Workforce Leadership	Optimise Workforce Contribution	Advanced	
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## **WORK HEALTH AND SAFETY RESPONSIBILITIES**

You are required to perform your duties in accordance with this Position Description, City of Ryde Code of Conduct, policies procedures and instructions, where appropriate. You are also responsible for the following:

## Work Health and Safety

- Follow safe practices/procedures to perform your duties in a manner, so as not to put yourself or others at risk of harm:
- Participate in development of safe work methods and risk assessments with your Supervisor when required;
- Actively participate in WHS inductions and training when required;
- Wear Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) in the prescribed manner and when specified;
- Participate in workplace inspections if required;
- Take care of any plant or equipment of any kind, including computer and other telecommunication devices;
- Participate in emergency preparedness training, including any required knowledge for business continuity plans;
- Report all hazards, near misses and damage to City of Ryde property to your Supervisor.

# **Certificates of Competency / Licences**

 Where required for the position, either by legislation or through City of Ryde policies and procedures, maintain all certificates, licences, operative training etc, and advise Supervisors of any change to these, including vehicle licences.

#### **Injury Management**

• Report all injuries/illnesses to your Supervisor immediately;

•	If injured at work, actively cooperate and participate to comply with obligations imposed under injury management
	and return-to-work plans where applicable.

## **Risk Management**

Report any potential public liability and professional indemnity exposures in your workplace to your Supervisor.

# **OUR VALUES**

All employees at City of Ryde are to observe our values which are:

#### **Health & Safety**

We take personal responsibility for our own health, wellbeing and safety. As well as the health, wellbeing and safety of our colleagues and customers.

#### Excellence

We do the best we can for our customers and embrace innovation in the way we work.

#### Accountability

We are honest, transparent and act in the best interest of Council and the community.

#### Respect

We listen, seek to understand, and celebrate the diversity of the people within our organisation and the community.

#### Teamwork

We work within both our own teams and other teams to successfully achieve council's goals.

## **DELEGATIONS**

Please note that this position holds delegations pursuant to section 378 of the Local Government Act. A copy of the current delegations from the Chief Executive Officer is to be reviewed and signed by the employee on commencement.

## **DESIGNATED POSITION**

Please note that this position has been identified as a designated position in accordance with section 4.8 of the Model Code of Conduct for Local Councils in NSW. As a result, in accordance with Section 421 of the Model Code, a completed Disclosure of Interest Return form must be submitted within three months of appointment. Annual Disclosure of Interest Returns are also required to be completed by 30 September each year.

Employee's Name	
Employee's Signature:	
Date:	