



Job Opportunity

PLANS EXAMINER

Working for City of Thorold

By joining the City of Thorold team, you will be choosing to become part of the fastest growing municipality in the beautiful Niagara region.

Working with us means a great pension, superb benefits package and a supportive and collaborative team environment. We invest in our people and prioritize creating opportunities for our employees to learn and grow in their roles.

We are proudly home to Canada Games Park, an internationally recognized and certified athletics and wellness facility. Our 300+ acres of parks and trails, two community centers, two arenas and outdoor pool are what makes Thorold the ideal place to build your career.

Primary Function

Under the direction of the Manager of Building Services, review and examine plans and specifications to determine compliance with the Ontario Building Code and applicable law for issuance of building permits and demolition permits associated with residential buildings within the scope of Part 9 and non-commercial agricultural buildings under 600 square meters in building area.

Duties and Responsibilities

- Review, approve and issue building permits and demolition permits associated with Part 9 residential buildings and buildings accessory thereto
- Review, approve and issue building permits associated with non-commercial agricultural buildings under 600 square meters in building area
- Administer Ontario Building Code and other applicable law
- Research zoning maps, survey and property files to verify compliance with Zoning By-Laws, Subdivision Agreements, Consent Agreements and Development Agreements
- Determine acceptance, or refusal of building permit applications based on conformity with applicable legislation
- Assist customers at the counter and through correspondence on matters associated with the Ontario Building Code, Zoning By-Laws, accepted construction practices, regulations and procedures
- Advise, communicate and liaise with staff, other departments and industry professionals with all issues relating to interpretation of Ontario Building Code, Zoning By-Laws, accepted construction practices, regulations and procedures
- Liaise with persons in outside public or private organizations supplying or obtaining detailed and specialized information
- Attend site meetings with staff and industry professionals as needed
- Review and comment on Alternative Solution applications for consideration by the Chief Building Inspector
- Investigate and follow up on approvals relevant to permit issuance
- Advise owners and building inspectors/plans examiners on procedures and regulations where deviations or revisions have occurred after issuance of building permits



- Input and retrieve data
- Assist with administration and interpretation of Development Charge By-Laws including answering inquiries, performing calculations, and collecting fees
- Compose correspondence
- Other related duties as assigned

Education/Experience

- Diploma in a minimum three year college program related to construction management, construction engineering or architectural technology or a combination of equivalent related education and relevant work experience.
- A minimum of three (3) years related work experience preferably in a municipal building department
- Experience with a Windows based operating system and Microsoft Office Suite
- Experience with examining and interpreting construction plans
- Data entry experience considered an asset
- Ability to accurately interpret construction plans
- Ability to understand and explain by-laws and regulations
- Good verbal and written communication skills required
- Excellent customer service skills required
- Ability to manage time effectively to meet tight deadlines
- Detail oriented
- Capacity to use a wide range of procedures or techniques occasionally devising new methods to new situations
- High degree of tact and judgement
- Effective organization skills
- Must possess numerical aptitude and computer literacy skills
- Good verbal and written communication skills
- Must possess a high degree of tact, courtesy and judgement to be able to deal effectively with the general public and industry stakeholders
- Excellent critical thinking and decision making skills required
- Effective time management skills required
- Must possess a Ministry of Municipal Affairs Building Code Identification Number (BCIN) and be qualified in 'General Legal', 'House', 'HVAC – House' and 'Building Structural'
- Understanding of the Ontario Building Codes
- Knowledge of the legislative, legal and administrative aspects of the building permit process
- Familiar with land use planning and zoning

Conditions of Employment

Required to work under the general supervision of the Manager of Building Services in an office environment involving mental and visual concentration with frequent interruptions. Work closely with departmental staff. Some overtime may be required.

The above statement reflects the principal functions and duties as required for proper evaluation of the job. Other related duties can only be considered part of the job if they directly relate to the primary function contained herein.

Job Location: City Hall
3540 Schmon Parkway, Thorold



Job Rate: \$31.41 plus \$2.70 per hour market premium

Job Type: Unionized

Hours of Work: Monday to Friday (inclusive)
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. (35hr/wk)

Interested candidates are invited to submit their detailed resume and cover letter to the Human Resources department, via hr@thorold.ca no later than **Sunday April 28, 2024**. Please indicate the position you are applying to in the email subject line. **Only those applicants selected for an interview will be contacted.**

Additional Information

In accordance with the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005 and the Ontario Human rights code, the City accommodates the individual needs of all applicants with disabilities throughout the recruitment, selection and/or assessment process. If selected to participate in the recruitment, selection and/or assessment process, please inform staff of the nature of any accommodation(s) that you may require.

Information is collected under the authority of the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and will be used for employment assessment purposes.