City of Ferndale

#### **DEFINTION**

The primary duty of the Finance Clerk/Deputy City Clerk is to provide accounting and administrative support for City staff, City Council, and the public. Under the direction of the City Manager, the Finance Clerk/Deputy City Clerk participates in carrying out essential city responsibilities related to Finance as well as assisting the City Manager with human resources and personnel policies. The Finance Clerk/Deputy City Clerk also acts on behalf of the City Clerk and may assist in City Clerk functions when needed. The Finance Clerk/Deputy City Clerk assists in serving the public at the front counter of City Hall, as well as answering phone calls throughout the day. The Finance Clerk/Deputy City Clerk fills multiple roles for the City of Ferndale and will be expected to perform related duties as assigned by the City Manager.

## **DUTIES** (included but not limited to)

- Assists City Manager with various administrative tasks, often of a confidential nature.
- Serves as financial officer and does payroll, AP/AR and financial record keeping in accordance with federal, state and local statutory requirements.
- Assists in the implementation and evaluation of policies and procedures for the financial and accounting functions to ensure accuracy, completeness, and timeliness of financial data, records and reports in accordance with GAAP
- Develops and provides accounting guidelines and information for budget preparation, compiles departmental budgets, and recommends the overall budget for review and approval by the City Administrator and City Council.
- Prepares budget amendments as needed for approval by council.
- Coordinates audit preparation and annual audit with the City's independent auditors; review and issue Annual Financial Report.
- Establishes, maintains, and indexes personnel and financial files for the City.
- Assists City Manager with Human Resources and Personnel
- Maintains record management system; adheres to the Records Retention Schedule; recommends improvements and modifications as needed.
- Acts of behalf of the City Clerk when needed including, but not limited to, compiling agendas and packets, attending meetings of the Council, Commissions and Committees, and drafting and transcribing meeting minutes.
- Interacts with City Manager, Council, Commission and Committees, staff, other agencies and officials, and the general public to accomplish projects and duties.

### **QUALIFICATIONS:**

# Required:

- Minimum two years in accounting/finance environment
- Maintaining a General Ledger
- Accounts Payable, Accounts Receivable and Payroll

## **Knowledge of:**

- Knowledge of Generally Accepted Accounting Standards (GAAP) procedures and practices.
- California municipal law as it relates to Finance Clerk functions.
- Fair Political Practices and Ralph M. Brown Act.
- Records management methods and procedures for Finance functions.
- Standard office practices and procedures including filing systems, document preparation, and the operation of standard office equipment.

# And the Ability to:

- Organize and maintain accurate recordkeeping and indexing systems.
- Advise the City Manager on policy and procedures interpretations for record keeping.
- Perform word processing tasks accurately and develop and organize electronic files.
- Establish and maintain effective working relationships with those encountered.
- Apply verbal and written communication skills.
- Accomplish tasks in reasonable time frames, and be task-oriented.
- Demonstrate strong organizational and customer satisfaction skills.
- Communicate effectively, orally and in writing, in both technical/non-technical terms.
- Understand and follow oral and written instructions, policies and procedures from the City Manager.
- Prepare and present accurate and reliable financial reports.
- Operate a personal computer using software applications appropriate to assigned tasks including the use of Zoom videoconferencing.
- Use logical thinking and creative thought processes to develop solutions following directions.
- Perform duties and responsibilities with accuracy to meet deadlines and changing priorities.
- Quickly learn and put to use new information and/or technology, skills and knowledge.
- Act with integrity, ingenuity and inventiveness in the performance of assigned tasks.

### **WORKING CONDITIONS**

**Hours** (Subject to change)

- 30-32 hours per week
- Monday Thursday (office currently closed on Fridays)
- May be subject to occasional evenings for Council or Commission Meetings

#### Office environment

- Exposure to computer screens
- Working closely with others (COVID-19 exceptions)
- Frequent interruptions

## **Physical Conditions**

- Duties may require sitting for prolonged periods of time
- General manual dexterity
- Must be able to operate assigned equipment

#### **COMPENSATION:**

- DOE
- Vacation
- Sick Pay
- Holiday Pay
- Retirement Plan
- Medical/Dental/Vision

#### **EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER**

The City of Ferndale does not discriminate based on race, color, national origin, ancestry, sex, religion, sexual orientation, age, disability, marital status, political affiliation, or any other non-merit factor. The City of Ferndale makes reasonable accommodation for qualified individuals with a disability. Individuals requiring any accommodation in order to participate in the testing process must inform the City Manager in writing no later than the final filing date stated in this job announcement. Requests for accommodation should include an explanation of the type and extent of accommodations needed to participate in the selection process and/or to perform the duties of the job for which they have applied.

#### **SUBMITTAL PROCESS**

- Resume submittal deadline: Thursday, October 14, 2021 at 4:00pm. Resumes must be received by this date.
- Resumes can be mailed to: City of Ferndale, POB 1095, Ferndale, CA, 95536; or emailed to cityclerk@ci.ferndale.ca.us.
- Interviews will be held October 18<sup>th</sup> October 21<sup>st</sup>, 2021

# CITY OF FERNDALE, CALIFORNIA

P.O. Box 1095, Ferndale, CA 95536 – email: <a href="mailto:cityclerk@ci.ferndale.ca.us">cityclerk@ci.ferndale.ca.us</a>
Application for Employment - (Pre-Employment Questionnaire) (An Equal Opportunity Employer)

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