

Chief Building Official



The Village of Shorewood (pop. 17,495) is seeking a hard-working individual who is committed to providing exceptional customer service to become the Chief Building Official.

Shorewood is a progressive and growing community adjacent to Joliet. The new Chief Building Official will be starting at an exciting time for the village. Residential construction is robust with a ten-year average of 103 permits annually. In January 2019, the Village updated its 2012 International Codes to the 2018 edition. Starting salary is \$90,000 +/- DOQ with excellent benefits. Apply no later than March 15, 2019.

Community & Local Economy

The village is located 40 miles southwest of Chicago and adjacent to Joliet. Shorewood provides its residents a rich quality of life evidenced by its population growth over the past twenty years. Shorewood's population increased by 228% from 2000 to 2017, making it one of the fastest growing cities in Illinois. A special census in 2017 determined the population to be 17,495.

The local economy is buttressed by the income levels of its residents. Shorewood is a regional leader in median household income (\$93,642) and educational attainment (40.6% of residents have a Bachelor's Degree or higher). It is also a relatively young community in that approximately two-thirds of its residents fall within the age range of 25 to 49. Shorewood has maintained a robust housing industry with a 10-year average of 103 residential permits per year. In 2018, the village issued 119 single-family building permits. Several national home builders are actively working in Shorewood.



Community & Local Economy continued

Like most communities in Illinois, Shorewood relies heavily on sales tax revenue to fund essential public services and capital projects. In 2017, sales tax receipts accounted for 25% of total General Fund revenue. The Village has adopted a 1.75% home rule sales tax along with a 1.0% sales tax that all municipal governments in Illinois receive. Shorewood has a mix of local, regional, and national retailers, including Target, The Home Depot, and Starbucks. The estimated secondary retail trade area for 2018 was 212,646 shoppers.



Shorewood is located in western Will County and has developed a strong industrial foundation. Easy access is afforded by two interchanges off I-55, with transportation being further aided by state Highway Routes 52 and 59, which intersect in the heart of the Village. Will County is the largest inland port in North America, served by five Class 1 railroads, three intermodal facilities, four interstate highways, three navigable waterways and 1,500 miles of pipeline. In Shorewood, construction of the Heartland Corporate Center, a new 757,800-square-foot distribution facility (shown below), is nearly complete and will join three other similarly sized warehouses along Interstate 55.



Organization

Incorporated in 1957, the Village is a home-rule municipality that operates under the Council/Administrator form of government with the Village President and six Village Trustees elected at-large to staggered four (4) year terms. The Village Administrator oversees the day to day operations of the Village and is responsible for the hiring and supervision of department heads.

The Village currently has 71 full-time equivalent employees and has an annual operating and capital improvements budget totaling \$24.85 million. The Village's General Fund budget totals just under \$12 million. The Village has earned an AA+ bond rating by S&P and maintains very strong unallocated reserves in all operating and enterprise funds. The Village provides its residents with a full complement of outstanding municipal services except for fire and ems which are provided by an area fire protection district.

Our Vision

The Village of Shorewood is a distinctive and innovative community in which lifelong investments will be secure and prosperous. We are compassionately committed to building strong families and strong businesses that contribute to the place we are all proud to call "Home".



The Towne Center includes Village Hall, amphitheater, park & splash pad, residential and commercial opportunities.

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The Position

The Chief Building Official is responsible for leading the Building Services Department. The primary function for this full-time position is to oversee and participate in the plan review and inspection of all commercial, industrial, and residential properties for the purpose of securing and maintaining compliance with building codes. The Chief Building Official is an active participant of the senior management team and reports to the Village Administrator.

Ideal candidates will have the following qualifications and characteristics:

- Certified Building Official (CBO) certification by the International Code Council (ICC).
- Bachelor's degree (B.A.) from a four-year college or university; or four years related experience and/or training; or equivalent combination of education and experience.
- At least 5 years of progressively responsible management experience; or an equivalent combination of education and experience.
- Continuing education, the ability to obtain Master Code Professional (MCP), and maintain additional ICC certifications, ICC plan review in multiple disciplines, and involvement with professional organizations.
- Dedication to the fair and impartial enforcement of codes and regulations.
- The ability to effectively present information and respond to questions from a wide variety of stakeholders, including but not limited to elected officials and staff, contractors, developers/landowners and the general public.
- Demonstrated experience training, mentoring, and evaluating employee performance.

See the job description for additional information.

Apply By March 15, 2019

This is a confidential recruitment. Candidates should be aware that references will not be contacted until mutual interest has been established. Interested candidates are encouraged to apply immediately and no later than **March 15, 2019**. Resume, cover letter and contact information for five professional references should be submitted electronically to Jim Culotta, Village Administrator, at jculotta@vil.shorewood.il.us