

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

Definition

Under administrative direction and policy direction of the Board of Directors, the Chief Financial Officer plans, organizes, and directs the financial and accounting functions of the District; assists the District Manager with the protection of District assets and the maintenance of budget controls; performs the most complex accounting functions; invests District funds; and provides direction for implementing financial policies and programs.

Examples of Duties

- Serves as the controller for the District.
- Plans, organizes, directs, and manages District financial, accounting, investment programs.
- Provides long-range financial planning, protection of District assets, and development and maintenance of budget controls.
- Prepares, presents, and monitors the District's budget with direction from the District Manager.
- Assumes responsibility for the proper investment of District funds in accordance with the District's investment policy in consultation with the District Manager.
- Coordinates the District's outside annual certified audit, participates in the selection process of the auditing firm, and implements adequate internal controls to safeguard the District's assets.
- Responsible for managing District financial-related information technology, ensuring the availability of necessary financial, statistical and management data.
- Administers long-term capital project financings, reviews interest rate opportunities, and monitors bond covenant/continuing disclosure certifications.
- Oversees the recording of assets and ensures timely posting of general ledger activity; and directs the development, preparation, and timely presentation of financial reports and statements.
- Oversees the recording of daily cashiering and receipt of all funds collected by the District.
- Oversees the bi-weekly payroll process in coordination with the Office Manager.
- Oversees state and federal payroll taxes, including quarterly payroll taxes and year-end reporting, in coordination with the Office Manager.
- Coordinates and administers the District grant funding programs.
- Administers the District insurance and risk management functions.
- Assists the District Manager in the development of District collective bargaining proposals.
- Performs related duties as assigned.

Required Knowledge

- Principles and practices of budgeting, accounting, finance, investment, and the development and maintenance of fiscal controls.
- Laws, rules, ordinances, and legislative processes controlling special district functions and operations.
- Principles and practices of auditing.
- Computerized management information and fiscal systems.

- Risk management and insurance.
- Investment principles and practices.
- Cost estimating and contract administration.

Ability To

- Plan, organize, coordinate, and direct the financial, budgeting, and benefit system, management information systems, investment, and risk management functions of the District.
- Exercise leadership, authority, and supervision tactfully and effectively.
- Provide supervision, training, work development, and evaluations for finance/accounting staff.
- Coordinate District budget development and fiscal controls.
- Direct the maintenance of ledgers and journals and oversee the preparation of timely financial reports and statements.
- Effectively represent the District's policies, programs, and services with individual citizens, community groups, and other governmental organizations.
- Maintain responsibility for insurance and risk management functions.
- Communicate well during public presentations.
- Provide advice and consultation to the District Manager on the development of fiscal system, policies, and assets.

Desirable Qualifications

Broad and extensive work experience that includes performing financial analysis, accounting management information system development, budgeting, risk management work, and benefit administration. This experience should include at least five years of responsible professional experience in a management or supervisory capacity within private industry or independent special enterprise districts.

A bachelor's degree in finance, Accounting, Business Administration, or closely related field from an accredited college or university is desirable. Possession of a valid California Class C Drivers License will be required free of any multiple or serious traffic violations or accidents.

Typical Physical Activities

- May occasionally travel by airplane and automobile in conducting District business.
- Communicates orally with District Board members, co-workers, and the public in face-to-face, one-on-one and group settings.
- Regularly uses a telephone for communication.
- Uses office equipment such as computer terminals, copiers, and FAX machines.
- Sits for extended time periods. Works a full day at the District office.
- Hearing and vision within normal ranges.