**CITY OF DECATUR, ALABAMA**

**PLANNING MANAGER**

DECATUR, ALABAMA (Population: 55,683) Located in Morgan and Limestone counties in Alabama, Decatur is nestled in the Tennessee River Valley. “The River City” boasts a rich and colorful history and serves as the county seat of Morgan County. Decatur is among one of the largest cities in Alabama and its location on the Tennessee River makes it a major transportation hub in the southeast.

With a total area of approximately 60 square miles, Decatur’s business climate is as progressive as it is diverse. It is home to industrial giants such as United Launch Alliance, GE Appliances, Nucor Steel, Daikin America, Indorama Ventures (a parent company to AlphaPet), J.M. Smucker Company, Toray, Bunge Limited, Hyosung, Ascend, 3M and Alabama Farmer’s Co-Op as well as award-winning small retailers like Big Bob Gibson’s Barbecue and Morgan Price Candy Company and is experiencing significant industrial expansions, retail development, and residential growth.

Since 1968, the City of Decatur has been governed by a Mayor-Council form of government. The Mayor is the Chief Executive Officer of the city and is elected by general election to a four-year term. The City Council is the legislative body and consists of five (5) members, who are elected for four-year terms.

The Planning manager is responsible for the management, supervision and administration of the day-to-day operations of the City’s planning, zoning and urban development department. Additionally, they oversee the development and annual review of the comprehensive plans and coordinating the selection of consultants and steering committee members.

The successful candidate shall have:

* A bachelor’s degree in urban/regional planning and development, public administration or other course of study or equivalent work experience and knowledge consistent with the competency developed through formal education and training. A Master’s degree is preferred. Residency within the City is preferred, but not required.
* Experience sufficient to thoroughly understand the work of subordinate positions to be able to answer questions and resolve problems, usually associated with ten (10) or more years’ experience or service with a similar position, including prior supervisory and management experience.
* Must possess a current AICP (American Institute of Certified Planners) certification and be willing to complete seven (7) hours of continuing education courses per year and one course on planning every three years.

Salary offer will be commensurate with qualifications and experience in the range of $78,210 - $97,673. Candidates should immediately apply online with a cover letter, resume and contact information for three professional references. Document submission deadline is April 14, 2021. **Electronic Submissions are required.**  Apply at [www.GovHRjobs.com](http://www.GovHRjobs.com). For Questions, Contact: Sarah McKee, Senior Vice President, GovHRUSA, 630 Dundee Road, Suite 130, Northbrook, IL 60062 Tel: (224) 282-8310

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