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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Principal Planner | TOPOLOGY, LLC | 5/2018 - Present

- Supervise and perform activities involving professional planning activities, redevelopment projects, large-scale new development proposals, and zoning analysis.
- Advise governing bodies, planning and zoning boards, commissions and elected officials in planning matters.
- Prepare staff planning reports on technical reviews of subdivisions, site plans, redevelopment plans, affordable housing plans, master plan review, and zoning code ordinances.
- Lead the operations and project manage the land use planning staff to ensure training and assignments are delegated.
- Review and administer budget preparation, monitor and control expenditures, and general operations of the firm.

Project Manager (Housing, Economic Development & Commerce) | CITY OF JERSEY CITY | 3/2017 - 5/2018

- Budgeted and administered \$5-million annual grants for the preservation and creation of affordable housing.
- Underwritten acquisition, pre-development, construction, and permanent municipal public loans.
- Managed development project's life-cycle through procurement of loan agreements and lien documents, reviewing land use and subdivision approval, overseeing construction process, and project closeout.
- Performed activities related to policy analysis and preparing statistical data, feasibility and environmental studies, maps, and reports on information related to community development and affordable housing.
- Conducted regular public hearings and community meetings for long-term comprehensive planning.

Community Development and Zoning Administrator | CITY OF NEW BRUNSWICK | 10/2013 - 3/2017

- Administered community planning and development block grants promoting affordable housing, sustainable infrastructure, and economic opportunities for low- and moderate-income persons.
- Prepared community planning reports such as the Five-Year Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plan, Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing, and Consolidated Annual Performance Report.
- Prepared environmental assessment reports and impact statements on approved HUD projects.
- Reviewed zoning use permit applications for conformance to the City Zoning Ordinance.
- Assisted with inquiries regarding land development and zoning policies and procedures.

EDUCATION

Master of City and Regional Planning | 05/2018 | Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ

Bachelor of Planning & Public Policy; Political Science | 05/2012 | Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ

- Semester Abroad in Ankara, Turkey
- Phi Sigma Pi Honors Fraternity

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Adobe Indesign, Adobe Photoshop
- ArcGIS and QGIS
- Final Cut Pro and Video Editing
- MS Project and Office Suite
- Site Plan and Subdivision Review
- Zoning Interpretation and Analysis

LICENSE & CERTIFICATIONS

- American Institute of Certified Planners (AICP)
- New Jersey Professional Planner License, NJ Division of Consumer Affairs
- Planning & Zoning Board Administrator Certification, NJ Association of Planning and Zoning Administration
- Project Management Professional Certification (PMP), Project Management Institute

HONORS & AWARDS

- John J. Heldrich Institute for Leadership Development Graduate, October 2016
- American Public Transportation Association Scholarship Recipient, September 2016