

Posting # 1764

Title: Property Assessment Representative

Section: Revenue Services

Division: Finance

Department: Corporate Services

Initial Reporting Location: Tom Davies Square

Job Status: Permanent Position

Number of Vacancies: 1 Affiliation: Inside Unit

Hours of Work: 70 hours bi-weekly

Shift Work Required: No

Range of Pay: Group 15 - \$39.27 to \$48.23 per hour (subject to review)

The start date will follow the selection process.

This position is eligible to work remotely on a part-time basis.

Characteristic Duties: Under the general supervision of the Manager of Revenue Services.

- 1. Act as a Lead Hand to direct, monitor, delegate, assign tasks and coordinate the work of the Property Assessment Assistant and/or others involved with the Assessment Review Program, including developing training plans for new employees.
- 2. Select, draft, complete and revise documents on behalf of CGS, for the use in proceedings before the Assessment Review Board.
- 3. Maintain a current business continuity plan for the assessment review program including detailed documentation and training manuals.
- 4. Negotiate settlement in the interests of CGS with Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC), rate payers, lawyers and tax agents in property assessment disputes arising from appeals.
- 5. Review rate payer's assessment complaints to determine value and taxes at risk; research and gather documentation on properties under appeal and provide recommendations to the Manager of Revenue Services.
- 6. Review issued building permits to ensure MPAC properly tracks additions and adjustments to the tax roll.
- 7. Review requests for reconsideration from MPAC and recommend course of action to achieve resolution.
- 8. Monitor year-end changes for improvements and adjustments and advise of new assessment growth through the supplementary/omitted assessment files. Review major changes in assessment on large properties and recommend course of action.
- 9. Liaise with Building Services, Legal and with external contacts such as lawyers, tax agents, appraisers and Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC).
- 10. Initiate and complete all pleadings related to Assessment Review Board procedures.
- 11. Represent CGS at all Mandatory Settlement Meetings, Mandatory Settlement Conferences and Assessment Review Board hearings.
- 12. Act as an expert on behalf of the municipality as required during Assessment Review Board hearings.
- 13. Review preliminary reassessment files from MPAC and identify and investigate major changes from previous year.
- 14. Prepare reports for senior Finance staff to document affects of action/recommendations relating to assessment appeals.
- 15. Review the Payment in Lieu of tax listing to identify errors or anomalies and report on impact of these.
- 16. Investigate Commercial and Industrial Vacancy Rebate, Section 357/358 and Charity Rebate Applications to ensure accuracy and provide supporting documentation to accept or reject application.
- 17. Monitor registrations of subdivisions to ensure inclusion on returned assessment roll.
- 18. Monitor and report on the impact of changes in the Assessment Act, Municipal Act, 2001, federal and provincial legislations, policies or grants which may impact municipalities.
- 19. Develop policies, procedures, training tools and other documents as required.
- 20. Train staff regarding the functions of assessment review program and co-ordinate the completion of assignments.
- 21. Develop and maintain a thorough working knowledge of CGS's Safety Manual and the applicable provincial legislation listed

therein.

22. Perform other related duties as required.

Qualifications:

- University Degree in a related discipline (e.g., Economics or Business Administration).
- Certification in the Institute of Municipal Assessors (IMA) or Appraisal Institute of Canada (AIC) or working toward either designation.
- Post secondary courses in real estate and property assessment an asset.
- Over five (5) years up to and including seven (7) years of property assessment/taxation related experience primarily in the commercial and industrial tax classes.
- Knowledge of applicable legislation (Municipal Act, 2001, Assessment Act) and related tax legislation and regulations.
- Knowledge of appraisal theory/principles, statutes, case law and systems involved in assessment required.
- Knowledge of Provincial Property Tax Policy and impact of same on property appeals.
- Knowledge of local real estate market and factors affecting values.
- Demonstrate ability to work with computer software applications and administrative systems in a Windows environment (e.g., word processing, computerized spreadsheet applications, information input and retrieval, etc.).
- Demonstrate time management and organizational skills.
- Demonstrate workflow management ability.
- Proven negotiation skills with the ability to negotiate complex and controversial issues related to property assessment and taxes.
- Excellent presentation, interpersonal and communication skills.
- Satisfactory health, attendance and former employment history.
- Excellent use of English; verbally and in writing.
- French verbal skills considered an asset.
- Physical capability to operate a vehicle safely, possession of a valid driver's licence and an acceptable driving record, will be considered an asset.

This job is also being posted as a development opportunity. Should there be no fully qualified candidate for this position, a candidate who can be expected to meet the required qualifications within a reasonable period of time may be considered for this position as a development opportunity.

Development opportunity range of pay: \$37.52 to \$46.04 per hour (subject to review). The successful candidate will be paid at the reduced range until the minimum qualifications have been met.

How to Apply:

If you are viewing this job posting through a website other than the City of Greater Sudbury's, please visit www.greatersudbury.ca/jobs to apply online.

We must receive your resume **before 11:59 p.m. on Thursday**, **February 8, 2024**. For those providing a French language resume, please also include an English version.

- 1. Click on the **Apply for Job** button.
- 2. Follow the step by step application process.
- 3. Ensure you attached a cover letter and resume. Acceptable file types are:
 - o .doc
 - .docx
 - o .txt
 - o .pdf
 - o .rtf
- 4. Once completed, review your application and click on the **Submit** button.
- 5. Upon submission of your application, you will get a confirmation on the screen that your application has been successfully submitted. You will also receive an e-mail confirmation to the e-mail address on your profile.

All applicants are thanked for their interest in this position. Only those selected for an interview will be contacted. If contacted, and you require a disability related accommodation in order to participate in the recruitment process you must advise the Hiring Manager.

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