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Landscape Architect I

FLSA Status: Exempt Reports to: Technical Leader Work Schedule: Full time

YOUR ROLE:

As a Landscape Architect I, you are a registered landscape architect with a background in generating and translating design concepts into final solutions as part of a multi-disciplinary project team.

You support the Landscape Architecture and Planning team through **creativity**, **interpersonal savvy**, **peer relationships and customer focus** to develop design concepts and create accurate documentation in all phases within the established design principles, project budget, and schedule. You are committed to **self-development** and through **priority setting** and **technical learning**, you grow **functional/technical skills** to support business growth.

WHAT YOU WILL DO:

Leadership

- Contribute to the project team to ensure they achieve project schedules and budgets.
- Lead effective meetings and work with other team members to make their projects successful.
- Model positive behaviors, values, mutual respect, collaboration, and ethical standards of the practice.

Management

- Manage multiple projects in a timely and accurate manner.
- Lead a small project team, assign duties to other team members, and monitor overall project progress.
- Complete projects within developed project scope and available resources.
- Maintain fundamental understanding of project plans.

Project Quality

- Will be an active team member in all phases of the design process including predesign, schematic design, design development, construction documentation, bidding and construction administration.
- Maintain multiple small project assignments and work with multiple landscape architects and project engineers.
- Lead the development of design, graphic presentations, and 3D renderings. Use design software/technology, including Civil 3D, AutoCAD 3D, SketchUp, Adobe Photoshop, Adobe InDesign and other emerging technologies for presentation and production purposes.
- Utilize hand sketching techniques to communicate design concepts
- Participate in and lead design charrettes.
- Prepare documentation for all phases of the design process. Participate in estimating the time required to complete each phase of a project. Bring design thinking to the process of producing contract documents. Produce preliminary concepts with oversight and full design phase deliverables including drawings, specifications, cost estimates, quantity take-offs, technical reports, narratives, and permit applications.
- Assist the landscape architectural discipline and collaborate with the civil engineering discipline for the conceptual and technical design documentation of projects.
- Perform site analysis including assessment of existing conditions, and conduct preliminary studies of the site, including contours, soil, ecology, buildings, and road.
- Prepare construction permitting documents and public agency approvals.
- Provide technical design support to project team members.
- Participate in the development of project specifications and their coordination with the drawings.

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- Support communication and coordination with all disciplines, consultants, vendors, and contractors to ensure adherence to the contract documents and provide support as necessary.
- Self-check work for accuracy, completeness and clarity prior to review by senior staff.
- Conduct field observations to monitor progress of construction. Assist others with field observation services for conformance with plans and specifications and preparation of reports as a follow up.
- Execute changes to the construction documents.
- Attend municipal meetings when necessary. Consult with regulatory agencies when necessary.
- Act as an ambassador for company-wide values and ethical standards of practice.
- Attend and actively participate in team meetings and activities including 'Lessons Learned' sessions.

• Alert the Project Manager or Senior Landscape Architect when a change in scope of work arises. <u>Financial</u>

- Work with senior staff to review and establish the budget for your hours and ability to meet project schedules.
- Produce contract documents that are efficient and consistent with the scope of work, schedule, and fee allotted to complete the work.
- Alert the Senior Landscape Architect when inconsistencies occur as they relate to design and documentation.

Staff Development

- Mentor and support the work of less experienced staff.
- Provide technical support to other team members as required.

Commitment to Client Service

- Foster a commitment to external and internal client service.
- Engage with client representatives regarding area of expertise.
- Develop and maintain a positive relationship of trust with Client Leadership regarding their area of expertise.
- Embrace the iterative nature of the design process and execute work in a timely manner.

YOUR QUALIFICATIONS:

- Your Degree: Bachelor's Degree in Landscape Architecture or equivalent in education and experience required for professional licensure.
- Your Licensure: Licensed Landscape Architect with current license. CLARB registration and ASLA membership preferred. CSI-CDT preferred (or willingness to complete within 1 year)
- Your Knowledge and Experience:
 - Minimum 3 years of post-graduate landscape architectural experience.
 - Knowledge of the landscape architectural design and documentation process. Knowledge of site planning, sustainability and other trends in the design/construction industry.
 - Knowledge of quality assurance/quality control (QA/QC) processes.
 - Knowledge of applicable codes and ability to assist in conducting research for requirements that may need to be incorporated into technical documents.
- Your Technical Skills:
 - Strong knowledge of SketchUp, Revit/AutoCAD, Civil 3D, Adobe Photoshop, and Adobe InDesign are required. Experience in producing construction documents.
 - Proficiency in Microsoft Office, including Word, Excel and Outlook required.

YOUR COMPETENCIES:

• **Creativity** – You come up with a lot of new and unique ideas; you easily make connections among previously unrelated notions; you tend to be seen as original and value-added in brainstorming settings.

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- **Customer Focus** You are dedicated to meeting the expectations and requirements of internal and external customers; you get first-hand customer information and use it for improvements in products and services; you act with customers in mind; you establish and maintain effective relationships with customers and gain their trust and respect.
- **Functional/Technical Skills** You have the functional and technical knowledge and skills to do the job at a high level of accomplishment.
- Interpersonal Savvy You relate well to all kinds of people—up, down, and sideways, inside and outside the organization; you build appropriate rapport; you build constructive and effective relationships; you use diplomacy and tact; you can diffuse even high-tension situations comfortably.
- Peer Relationships You can quickly find common ground and solve problems for the good of all; you can represent your own interests and yet be fair to other groups; you can solve problems with peers with a minimum of noise; you are seen as a team player and are cooperative; you easily gain trust and support of peers; you encourage collaboration; you can be candid with peers.
- **Priority Setting** You spend your time and the time of others on what's important; you quickly zero in on the critical few and put the trivial many aside; you quickly sense what will help or hinder accomplishing a goal; you eliminate roadblocks and create focus.
- Self-Development You are personally committed to and actively work to continuously improve yourself; you understand that different situations and levels may call for different skills and approaches; you work to deploy strengths; you work on compensating for weaknesses and limits.
- **Technical Learning** You pick up on technical things quickly; you can learn new skills and knowledge; you are good at learning new industry, company, products or technical knowledge; you do well in technical courses and seminars.

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