This is an exciting opportunity for an individual with proven experience in building compliance or the construction industry who is ready to play a critical role in how our community develops over time. This position functions as Washoe County's Building Official, charged with ensuring structures in the unincorporated County meet life safety critical codes. Washoe County's goal is to ensure excellent service to all customers, from owner-builders to large developers and partner agencies. This position directly supervises Plans Examiners and the Building Inspection Supervisor.

About Washoe County Community Services Department (CSD)

Washoe County Community Services Department (CSD) provides efficient roads, parks, utilities, and development services while supporting a healthy workforce and community. Washoe County CSD exists to serve our customers. We commit to understanding their needs, being responsive and proactively seeking solutions that collectively lead to our region's success.

The Building Program ensures buildings/structures are safe, by applying nationally recognized codes and County adopted ordinances through our plan check and inspection services. These standards are a vital part of Washoe County’s quality of life and play a key role in maintaining minimum acceptable construction standards and a predictable regulatory environment. Our goal is to assist our customers by providing exceptional public service and to foster a resilient built environment.
Minimum Qualifications:

A bachelor's degree in architecture, architectural engineering, construction management, engineering or a closely related field and a minimum of two years of full-time experience in building plans examination, inspection, or construction with at least one of those years acting in a supervisory capacity; OR an equivalent combination of education and experience.

The Ideal Candidate Will Have

- ICC Certification as a Building Official
- A strong knowledge of ICC codes and other building codes adopted by Washoe County
- Significant experience with multi-family and non-residential projects
- Strong interpersonal skills, including the ability to tactfully and effectively navigate complex and difficult scenarios
- Ability to evaluate requests for alternative materials and methods in a timely and fair manner
- Proven experience assessing and improving processes, including finding creative solutions to problems
- Ability to effectively communicate both verbally and in writing during challenging situations
- A strong desire to serve the Washoe County community
- Ability to effectively manage, assess and train both field and in-office employees
- Excellent listening and mediation skills
- Strong administrative and organizational skills

License Or Certificate

- A valid driver's license is required at the time of appointment.
- Must possess an ICC Combination Inspector certification and ICC Building Plans Examiner certification; OR an ICC Master Code Professional certification or a recognized equivalent certification at the time of application.
- Must obtain an ICC Building Official or Building Code Official certification within one year of appointment.

Compensation & Benefits

The annual salary range for this position is up to $140,046.40. Washoe County also offers an exceptional benefits package which includes:

- Nevada PERS Retirement - Washoe County pays 100% of the PERS contribution for each full-time employee
- Health, Dental, Life and Vision Insurance - Washoe County contributes 100% of the premium for each employee. Coverage includes medical, dental, vision, and life insurance. Washoe County also contributes 50% of the premium for dependent coverage. Note: New employees are automatically enrolled in the High Deductible Health Plan (HDHP) with a Health Savings Account. Employees become eligible for health benefits after 90 days of employment. Washoe County contributes up to $2,500 annually into the employee’s Health Savings Account (HSA).
- Vacation Accrual (96 hours per year, increasing with continued employment)
- Deferred Compensation plans available
- 11 Paid Holidays
- Sick Leave (120 hours per year, increasing with continued employment)
- Longevity Pay
- Merit Increases - Full-time employees eligible to receive an annual merit increase of 5% until the position classification’s maximum salary is reached.
- Cost-of living adjustments - historical annual COLA increases for 2017-2023 have ranged from 2.5% - 5.0%
- There are no Social Security deductions (although a 1.45% deduction for Medicare is required)
- Nevada does not have state or local income tax
About Washoe County

Washoe County is located along the eastern slopes of the majestic Sierra Nevada Mountains in northwestern Nevada. Reno boasts a bustling downtown, diverse neighborhoods, proximity to beautiful Lake Tahoe and Nevada’s flagship state university. Known for its recreational activities, Washoe County offers world-class ski and golf resorts, 24-hour gaming and entertainment, lakes, fishing, and hiking, all within minutes of the metropolitan area. Diverse lifestyle choices are available in Washoe County. Urban and suburban living is available, as are rural options in the vast unincorporated areas.

Washoe County Governance & Organization

A five-member Board of County Commissioners (BCC), elected by district, governs Washoe County. The Board appoints a County Manager who is responsible for policy implementation and overall operations. The County fulfills major roles including providing services as an administrative arm of the state, and as a regional and community services provider. Washoe County has numerous state-of-the-art, award winning facilities and provides nationally recognized regional and urban services to a diverse population including public safety, criminal justice, public works, and health and human services. Washoe County employs approximately 3,000 employees in 24 departments led by both appointed and elected department heads. The County’s annual budget is comprised of 23 governmental funds, and six proprietary and internal service funds, with expenditures of over $1 billion.

To Be Considered:

Submit the required application at: https://jobs.washoecounty.us/joblisting/

In addition to the application, the following documents must be included with the application before the filing deadline in order to be considered:

• Compelling cover letter
• Comprehensive resume which includes how the applicant meets the Ideal Candidate criteria
• Professional references

Questions:

Contact Indu Moore at imoore@washoecounty.gov or 775-328-2095

Selection Process:

Washoe County Human Resources will review the submitted application materials. Candidates identified with the most potential for success will be forwarded to the hiring department for an interview. The hiring department will interview candidates on a continuous basis until the position is filled. This recruitment will remain open until the position is filled.

Washoe County hires all new employees at the minimum rate of the salary range and eligible employees may receive an annual merit increase of 5% until they reach the maximum salary for the classification. Upon promotion, current Washoe County employees are placed at the minimum rate of the salary range for the higher classification of the new position OR a promotional calculation, whichever is greater.

EEO Statement

Washoe County is proud to be an equal opportunity employer and is committed to a diverse workforce that creates a sense of belonging for all employees and citizens, thereby encouraging persons from all backgrounds and experiences to apply for employment.

Washoe County will recruit, hire, train and promote into all job levels without regard to race, religion or belief, gender, marital status or domestic partnership, familial status, national origin, age, mental or physical disability, pregnancy, sexual orientation, gender expression or identity, genetic information (GINA), veteran status, political affiliation, membership in an employee association or union or any other protected class under applicable federal or state law.