

Professional Summary

Accomplished professional with demonstrated ability to deliver results. Extensive and successful experience working with elected and appointed policy-makers in pursuit of their priorities. Strong background in local government administration, legislative affairs, transportation planning, policy and analysis, community and economic development, intergovernmental relations, and communications.

Experience

Transportation Planning & Operations Director, Denver Regional Council of Governments, March 2018 to present

- Lead the metropolitan planning organization for the 10-county Denver region, including oversight of a \$17 million annual operating budget.
- Manage 28 professional staff in the areas of long-range multimodal transportation planning, programming and project delivery, active and emerging mobility, transportation systems operations, and mobility analytics and air quality.
- Work with local agency staff and elected officials, regional, state, and federal agencies, and stakeholders to develop policies and plans for the regions multimodal transportation system.
- Oversaw the region's compliance process with new state greenhouse gas emission reduction transportation planning rule.
- Review state and federal legislation and rulemaking and develop and recommend policy positions and strategy.
- Ensure compliance with state and federal law and policy relating to metropolitan planning.

Deputy Director, Office of Policy & Government Relations, Colorado Department of Transportation, February 2015 to March 2018

- Advised the Department on local government perspectives and concerns; advised senior management on how to handle controversial issues involving local governments and agencies; worked proactively to identify and resolve local concerns.
- Interacted with local, MPO, state, and federal officials in coordination with Regional Transportation Directors and Executive Management Team.
- Oversaw all aspects of CDOT's 2015 USDOT TIGER applications process, 2016 FASTLANE applications and 2017 INFRA applications.
- Built positive relationships with local government officials and staff and work with CDOT offices to develop and execute external and internal communication strategies.
- Coordinated and led the Department's interactions with the US Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration and members of Congress.

Government Relations Director, City of Gresham, Oregon, December 2004 to August 2014

- Planned, organized, managed, and executed legislative and intergovernmental initiatives to meet the objectives of the Mayor, City Council, City Manager and departments.
- Monitored, coordinated and communicated issues with federal, state, regional, and local governments.
- Coordinated negotiation of complex telecommunications franchise agreement.
- Built, maintained, and participated in coalitions and work groups toward common goals.
- Participated in organizational efforts including budget development, Policy Leadership Team and Council Work Plan development and implementation.
- Coordinated the Mayor's visits to Washington, DC and ensure successful legislative and administration visits by preparing briefing materials and assisting the Mayor during meetings.

Transportation Planning Manager, City of Gresham, Oregon, October 1997 to December 2004

- Supervised, developed and implemented innovative, multi-modal transportation plans, projects and policies including comprehensive transportation system plan and complete street standards; prepared capital improvement programming and budgeting.
- Secured over \$24 million in state and federal transportation grants from 1997 to 2004.
- Represented the City on regional transportation committees; worked with TriMet on transit service and light rail facilities plans; led and participated in significant interdisciplinary and inter-agency projects and policy initiatives.

Sr. Transportation Planner, City of Scottsdale, Arizona, February 1990 to October 1997

- Coordinated reviews of development proposals and their impacts on the City's transportation system; identified and resolved complex land use/transportation issues; prepared recommendations and reported information to City Council and other boards and commissions.
- Represented the Transportation Department in implementing Cityshape 2020 and other issues related to the Scottsdale General Plan.

Education

Graduate studies in Environmental Planning, Arizona State University, Tempe, Arizona, 1995-1997

B.S., Urban Planning, Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan, 1989