

## **Director of Parks and Recreation**

City of Manhattan, Kansas

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**Salary:** The full salary range for this position is \$113,214 to \$180,814 with a hiring range of \$113,214 to \$146,910, dependent upon experience and qualifications.

## **Description:**

The City of Manhattan, Kansas, is located in Riley County in the heart of northeast Kansas' scenic Flint Hills. Known as the "Little Apple," Manhattan is 120 miles west of Kansas City, just off Interstate 70, and encompasses approximately 18 square miles with a current population of roughly 55,000.

The community serves a three-county, 130,000-population regional area as a leader in education, trade, healthcare, and communications. Manhattan is renowned for its high quality of life. In fact, various media have listed the city among the Top 100 Places to Live in America, the Top 10 Places to Retire (and retire young), the Best Small Places for Business and Careers, the Top 50 College Towns in America, and as having the county's best Town-Gown Relationship.

This quintessential college town is also a shopping, dining, entertainment, and culture hub. Aggieville is a center of shopping and nightlife with a mix of stores and bars featuring live bands — and Downtown Manhattan and the Manhattan Town Center Mall are anchors for shopping, art, fine dining, and entertainment on the eastern end of town. With more than 160 restaurants, bars, and coffee shops, the city serves up something for everyone's taste.

The City of Manhattan is seeking a dynamic, innovative and politically astute leader with exceptional communication skills and strong financial acumen to lead the Parks & Recreation Department.

Key attributes include:

-A hands on, solution-oriented leader who thrives in a fast-paced, high performing organization.

-A strategic thinker who clearly sees the big picture and can articulate that long-term vision in the context of day-to-day operations.

-A highly collaborative leader with a team-oriented management style who can cultivate a culture of mentorship, empowerment and accountability.

-An individual well-versed in budget development, grants procurement and the administration of capital projects.

The minimum educational requirement for this position is a bachelor's degree in Business Administration, Public Administration, Parks Management, Recreation Management or a related field AND at least five (5) years of leadership experience in public administration, local government, or a related field. Knowledge and experience related to municipal management and/or leading a similarsized agency/organization are highly desirable.

The full salary range for this position is \$113,214 to \$180,814 with a hiring range of \$113,214 to \$146,910, dependent upon experience and qualifications. The City of Manhattan offers an excellent benefits package that includes group health plan that includes wellness, medical, vision, dental, and prescription drug benefits. City employees are required by statute to contribute to the Kansas Public Employees Retirement System (KPERS) and receive long-term disability coverage. Employees receive paid medical and vacation leave, workers compensation, basic life insurance, an employee assistance program, and voluntary benefits.

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