

Director of Parks and Properties

Northbrook Park District

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Description:

The Northbrook Park District is a leader both regionally and nationally in parks and recreation. We are looking for an enthusiastic, experienced professional to serve on the District's leadership team as the Director of Parks & Properties. The current Director of Parks and Properties has been promoted to Executive Director. This is an opportunity to lead one of the most innovative full-service Parks Division in Illinois. The individual holding this position is responsible for providing strategic leadership and managerial oversight for all aspects of the Parks & Properties Division including Grounds Maintenance, Golf Maintenance, Facilities, Fleet and Trades. This position also oversees the District's Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) and the project/planning team and contractors.

The Director of Parks & Properties oversees the maintenance of 543 acres across 13 square miles, including 24 park areas as well as facilities including Techny Prairie Activity Center, a 44,200 square foot facility for fitness and recreation, Heritage Oaks Golf Club, Techny Prairie Park and Fields, the Leisure Center and the Northbrook Sports Center, containing two full-sized indoor ice rinks. Additional responsibilities ensure oversight of the maintenance of recreational facilities including two outdoor swimming facilities, 36 holes of golf, a practice range, two sled hills, dozens of baseball diamonds and soccer fields, 19 tennis courts, 18 playgrounds, numerous picnic areas and trails, and two fishing lakes.

Highlights for this position:

- Capital Improvement Budget between \$4-\$6.5 million annually.
- Parks Division consists of 33 full-time employees, 35 permanent part-time staff. Division was fully staffed in 2023.
- Lead a team of established Parks & Planning professionals, direct reports have on average over 10-15 years' experience in industry specific roles
- Oversight of a dedicated planning department with an in-house Landscape Architect.
- Tree maintenance and mowing performed by outside contractors.
- Oversees the maintenance of 543 acres; 36 holes of golf, driving range, two outdoor pools, 18 playgrounds, 27 ball fields, 14 tennis courts, and 6 dedicated pickleball courts.

- Oversee the maintenance of multiple facilities; standalone fitness center, dedicated recreation center, golf clubhouse and restaurant, 2 sheet indoor ice rink, administrative office, dedicated parks maintenance facility, velodrome.
- 3 playgrounds scheduled for replacement in 2024.
- \$3.7 million pool renovation scheduled in 2024/25.
- Dedicated fleet vehicle for use during working hours.
- Oversee the maintenance operation of only the third net zero certified building in Illinois.
- Oversee the maintenance of the only two Audubon Sanctuary Certified Park District owned parks in Illinois.
- The Districts comprehensive plan was updated in 2022.
- Opportunity to attend NRPA, IPRA, and IAPD Legislative Conferences.

Our Mission: To enhance our community by providing outstanding services, parks, and facilities through environmental, social, and financial stewardship.

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