



# Economic Development Director

**SALARY:** \$3,183.20 - \$5,091.20 Biweekly  
\$82,763.20 - \$132,371.20 Annually

**OPENING DATE:** 05/04/22

**CLOSING DATE:** Continuous

**DESCRIPTION:**

**FLSA Status:** Exempt      **Safety Sensitive:** NO      **Level II Screening:** NO

**\*\*THIS POSITION WILL REMAIN OPEN UNTIL FILLED\*\***

Located in beautiful southwest Florida on the Caloosahatchee River and minutes from the gulf coast beaches, the City of Fort Myers is one of the fastest growing municipalities in the country with a population of over 86,000. The city enjoys a strong economic base with a vibrant historic downtown, many arts and cultural venues and many development and redevelopment opportunities. Fort Myers is a business-friendly city with a visionary City Council, professional executive management team and a diverse and engaged community.

The City is focused on quality development and strategic redevelopment to expand the tax base and employment opportunities in the city.

**DUTIES/RESPONSIBILITIES:**

The City is seeking to fill the Economic Development Director position to work under the general supervision of the City Manager. The Economic Development Director is responsible for the planning and implementation of the city's economic development programs to include business recruitment and retention, marketing and redevelopment. Experience working with a city or county economic development organization or a non-profit or chamber of commerce is desired as well as developing relationships and partnerships with county and state economic development stakeholders and site selection consultants and the CRA. Knowledge of economic development financing and incentives, and redevelopment strategies and best practices for commercial corridors, downtown / central business district and other industrial and mixed-use areas.

The city is seeking an economic development professional with the ability and initiative to establish the City's economic development program.

**MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS:**

The minimum requirements for the job include a Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university in Economic or Community Development, Business Administration or Economics or related field. Certified Economic Developer Designation is desirable and a minimum of five (5) years of progressively responsible experience in economic development in the public or private sector.

**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION:**

The annual salary range is \$82,763 to \$132,366. The expected hiring range is \$92,000 to \$120,000 depending on experience and qualifications.

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