

DENNIS RAGSDALE

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Education

Master's Degree, City Planning - 1983
Georgia Institute of Technology
Bachelor of Arts Degree, Social and Behavioral Sciences - 1979
University of South Florida

Summary of Related Experience

2007 - Present	<u>CITY OF ST. CLOUD, FLORIDA</u> Population 35,200
2015 - Present	Acting City Manager
2009 - 2015	Growth Management Services Administrator
2007 - 2009	Planning and Zoning Director
2005 - 2015	<u>PRIVATE SECTOR</u> Lakeland and St. Cloud, Florida President
2004 -2005	<u>PRIVATE SECTOR</u> Lakeland, Florida Director of Professional Services
1982 - 2004	<u>CITY OF VERO BEACH, FLORIDA</u> Population 15,200
1990 - 2004	Planning Director
1985 - 1990	Assistant Planning Director
1982 - 1985	Environmental/Design Planner
1981 - 1982	<u>INDIAN RIVER COUNTY, FLORIDA</u> Population 60,000 Planner
1980 - 1981	<u>NATIONAL PARK SERVICE</u> Atlanta, Georgia Outdoor Recreation Planning Technician

Cover Letter and Resume

Robert E. Slavin
Slavin Management Consultants
3040 Holcomb Bridge Road #A-1
Norcross, GA 30071

July 18, 2015

Dear Mr. Slavin,

Attached is a brief resume that I am sending to you because of my interest in the position of City Manager for the City of Valdez, Alaska. My professional and educational backgrounds appear to be consistent with the job description included in the position advertisement.

My responsibilities in the cities of Vero Beach and St. Cloud, Florida have provided experience in all aspects of municipal government. In both of these full service municipalities I was given progressive levels of authority as success was achieved. Like Valdez, Vero Beach owns and operates a municipal airport and marina. Throughout my career I have served as an integral part of the management team and have participated in strategic planning, developing budgets, and preparing capital improvement plans for all departments.

During my tenures in local government, I participated with colleagues at Federal, State, Regional, and local levels of government including School Boards, Water Management Districts, Regional Planning Councils, Army Corps of Engineers, State Department of Transportation, and others as necessary. As a planning consultant, I worked for the small coastal towns of Melbourne Beach, Florida and South Palm Beach, Florida as well as a number of private clients in land development businesses.

I filled in for the City Manager of St. Cloud on a number of occasions while he was on vacation or ill and recently was appointed as Acting City Manager by the City Council.

Most of my career has been spent working with small cities with strong citizen participation. I have enjoyed working with these communities and moving them toward their future vision by supporting short term goal implementation. Serving as City Manager of Valdez fits well into my career path and, based on the job advertisement, my management and personal style as well.

I hope you will agree that my experience fits the needs of the City of Valdez for a productive person with problem solving, analytical, and management skills, that is willing to work hard and is a strong team player.

My current salary is \$130,000 plus a \$5,000 automobile allowance.

If you have any questions or need additional information please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,

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PROFESSIONAL

Acting City Manager City of St. Cloud, Florida	April, 2015 – present
Growth Management Services Administrator City of St. Cloud, Florida	October 2009 - April 2015
Planning and Zoning Director City of St. Cloud, Florida	October 2007 – October 2009
President Ragsdale Planning Group, Inc. Lakeland, FL -St. Cloud, FL	August 2005 – April 2015
Director of Professional Services Powell, Fragala & Associates, Inc. Lakeland, Florida	May 2004 - August 2005
Planning Director City of Vero Beach, Florida	August 1990 – April 2004
Assistant Planning Director City of Vero Beach, Florida	September 1985 – July 1990
Environmental/Design Planner City of Vero Beach, Florida	September 1982 – August 1985
Planner Indian River County, Florida	June 1981 – August 1982
Outdoor Recreation Planning Technician National Park Service Atlanta, Georgia	May 1980 – May 1981

EDUCATION

Master's degree City Planning Georgia Institute of Technology, 1983	Bachelor of Arts Degree Social and Behavioral Sciences University of South Florida, 1979
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CERTIFICATION

American Institute of Certified Planners	May 1985 - present
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