

The Rapid

Chief Executive Officer

The Interurban Transit Partnership (“The Rapid”) is a public transit authority that provides bus rapid transit (BRT), 28 fixed route bus transit lines, on-demand response paratransit, and other special services in the Grand Rapids, Michigan Area. The Rapid currently provides service to the City of Grand Rapids, East Grand Rapids, Grandville, Kentwood, Walker, and Wyoming with limited service to Alpine Township, Cascade Township, Byron Township, and Gaines Township. In February 2018, The Rapid was awarded federal funding to construct the Laker Line, its second BRT line.

SCOPE AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

The Chief Executive Officer (“CEO”) is responsible for overseeing The Rapid’s daily operations and for shaping and leading the Authority’s strategic long-term vision as well as any planned expansions. The ideal candidate will have a proven track record of successfully managing a large, complex, and diverse organization that operates to provide the highest quality of service to its customers while ensuring that the organization is planning to meet the future needs of the community. The CEO must possess outstanding leadership and business skills as well as strong financial management, strategic planning, public relations, community relations, and governmental relations skills.

The Rapid’s CEO will be an integral leader in enhancing transportation options in the Grand Rapids region. Elected officials, businesses, residents, and other stakeholders expect the next CEO to lead a team of transit professionals who are capable of identifying and launching innovative transportation solutions to improve mobility and provide greater access to the region which will in turn lead to smart growth, increased business opportunities, jobs, and economic development. It will also provide greater access to existing jobs that are not currently transit accessible.

EXPERIENCE REQUIRED:

The successful candidate is preferred to have a minimum of 10 years’ executive management experience with a large complex operating organization, transit agency or another public or private entity of comparable nature, complexity and size to The Rapid. While transit experience is preferred, candidates with experience from other industries will be considered. A Bachelor’s degree in transportation, transportation management, engineering, business management or equivalent is required. An equivalent combination of education and experience consistent with the required qualifications will also be considered.

For additional information, to obtain a copy of the full position description or to submit a resume, please contact Gregg A. Moser at gmoser@krauthamerinc.com.