

Ben Martig

OBJECTIVE	Seeking municipal chief management officer position in a vibrant and thriving community located near or in the Twin Cities metropolitan area.
SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS	Accomplished and assertive manager with outstanding creativity, interpersonal communications, negotiation, and people management skills. Excels in dynamic and demanding environments while remaining focused and organized. Demonstrates continuous improvement philosophies actively seeking new opportunities to learn, analyze and implement local government policy and management best practices.
EXPERIENCE	<p>City of Marshall, MN, Administrator (July 2008-present)</p> <p>Serves as chief management officer for one of America's best small towns and growing regional center in Southwest Minnesota. Manages the Director of Public Safety, Director of Community Services and Director of Public Works. Directly oversees the Administration Division responsible for Finance, Clerks, Human Resources, Assessing, and Municipal Off-Sale Liquor Store.</p> <p><i>Exemplary accomplishments</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Served as project leader for the planning and construction of four major capital projects since 2008 including the following:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><i>Schwan Regional Amateur Sports Center</i> – Project leader in the planning, financing and organizational structure of a multi-use arena and ballfield project that included complex financing including State bond funds and a combination of local sales taxes.<i>Minnesota Emergency Response & Industrial Training (M.E.R.I.T.) Center</i> – Project leader in the planning, financing and organizational structure of a regional training center that included complex financing including State Bond funds and a combination of local sales taxes.<i>Marshall Lyon County Library</i> – Facilitated a negotiated settlement for the final design and funding between the City, County and Library Board over a contentious project that had stalled in the community.<i>Tall Grass Liquor</i> – Lead planning, financing, and branding of the new municipal liquor store opened November 2015.Provided leadership in the planning and financing of the Camden Regional Trail, a 15-mile off road paved trail that included partnerships with the State DNR, Lyon County and City of Lynd.Discover Southwest Minnesota Partnership – Primary Lead on a reorganization of economic development efforts that included the Chamber of Commerce, Marshall Economic Development Authority, Lyon County and the Marshall Convention & Visitors Bureau. Also, lead financing and planning for award winning airpark development and industrial park expansion.

City of Blue Earth, MN, Clerk-Administrator (January 2004-June 2008)

Serves as chief management officer for the city. Directly responsible for budget and finance, human resources including negotiations with two organized unions, economic development, planning & zoning, and housing. Manages and supervises the operations of police, fire, public works, wastewater utility, airport, library, senior center, aquatic park, fitness center, and off-sale liquor store.

Exemplary accomplishments

- *Public Safety Center* - Lobbied and secured \$642,000 in earmarked State bond funds for new construction of a public safety center serving police and fire. The redevelopment site included three homes and contaminated soils.
- *Blue Earth Wine & Spirits* – Proven success through relocation and new construction resulting in dramatic improvement in customer satisfaction and annual gross sales increase of over 12% in the first year of operation.
- *Aquatic Park* – Managed and facilitated overall reconstruction project and priorities with private community group that was responsible for advocacy and fundraising campaign.

Community Development Director/Assistant City Administrator (May2002-January 2004) and **Interim City Administrator** (November 2001-May 2002)

Served as chief executive manager for the City during a majority of this time period as the acting City Administrator served two separate terms on military duty. Also, filled role during a majority of this time as Community Development Director overseeing housing and economic development activities for the City.

City of Anoka, MN, Community Development Specialist

Coordinated City recycling program, created City information technology personnel policy, managed redevelopment projects and environmental grant administration, and coordinated development of the City internet home page.

INTERNSHIPS

City of Fridley, MN, Housing & Special Projects Intern
City of Cottage Grove, MN, Planning Intern & Assistant
City of Blue Earth, MN, Administrative Intern

EDUCATION

University of Minnesota, Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs

Master of Planning degree, June 2001.

Concentration in land use and human settlements.

Coursework included planning theory, law and urban land use, GIS, economics, development policy, organizational mgt. and quantitative methods.

University of Wisconsin – La Crosse

Bachelor of Science, May 1997.

Double Major in Public Administration & Political Science

Coursework included urban administration, public management, budgeting, public policy, public finance, and quantitative research methods.

PROFESSIONAL
ASSOCIATIONS

- International City/County Management Association (ICMA).
- ICMA Manager Credentialing In-Process.
- MN City and County Management Association.
- League of Minnesota Cities Board of Directors (2015-2018).
- Marshall Area Kiwanis member, Charter President, 2009 and current member.

