













# Assistant Director of Budget and Strategic Planning

CITY OF FRISCO, TX



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# **About Frisco, Texas**

As *the* fastest growing community over the past two decades *(U.S. Census Bureau)* and listed *among the Best Places to Live in America (Money Magazine, 2021-22 and 2018)*, Frisco defines *Progress in Motion*, our city tagline.

Spanning about 70 square miles, Frisco is 28 miles north of Dallas, in Collin and Denton counties. More than 240,000 people call Frisco home. We anticipate our population will grow to around 325,000. Our ethnic diversity is growing, too. About 35 percent of our population is Asian, about 10 percent is Hispanic, and 9 percent of residents are Black.

Our median age is 39. About 22 percent of residents are school-age, while about 9 percent of residents are over 65.

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Four school districts serve Frisco; however, the **Frisco Independent School District (FISD)** is our primary district, serving the greatest number of students.
FISD is one of the fastest-growing school districts in the nation. It's noted for smaller schools, high student achievement and has been named among '100 Best Communities for Young People'.

About 96 percent of high school students graduate. Plus, more than 67 percent of our residents hold a bachelor's degree or higher level of education.

Ranked a Tier One research university, the **University of North Texas (UNT),** opened its branch campus in January 2023. Frisco is also home to a **Collin College** campus, which has five university partners including Texas A&M Commerce, Texas Tech and University of Texas-Dallas.



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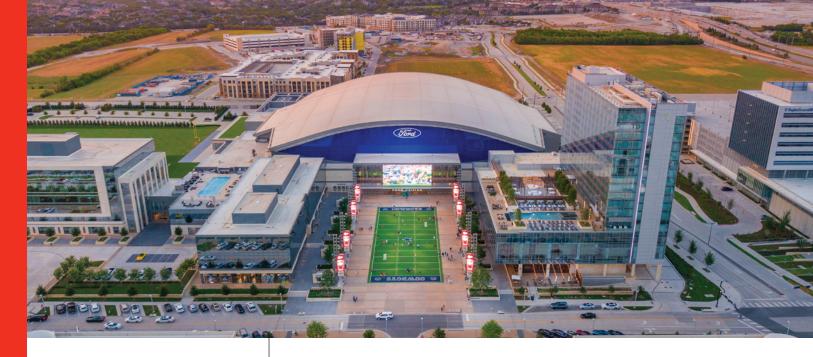
# Lifestyle

Frisco boasts the nation's highest fire protection rating, ISO #1, one of only 101 in Texas and 502 in the nation. The crime rate is low and so are property taxes (.4255), both ranked among the lowest in North Texas.

Both Frisco Police and Fire Departments are internationally accredited. The Frisco Fire Department received accreditation from the Commission on Fire Accreditation International (CFAI) in 2018 and reaccredited in 2023. The Frisco Police Department has been accredited since 2008, receiving its designation from the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA). Frisco is one of only three Texas cities with dual accreditation for emergency communications and law enforcement. Other accredited city departments include Public Works, Convention and Visitor's Bureau, as well as Parks and Recreation.

Frisco is home to 70 parks and 80 miles of hike and bike trails with more on the way. Specialty parks include a dog park; a Miracle Field and Hope Park, which serve special needs children; batting cages; disc golf; mountain bike trails; a Veterans Memorial and one of the largest skate parks in North Texas. The city-owned,100,000 square foot Frisco Athletic Center also features a Water Park with a 45-foot slide. Our reimagined Frisco Public Library is an adaptive reuse project, which more than doubled in size (140,000 square feet) and opened in 2023.

Our community is home to the **National Video Game Museum, National Soccer Hall of Fame** and **Museum of the American Railroad.** City-owned facilities include Frisco Fire Safety Town, the first of its kind in the U.S.; Frisco Discovery Center; Frisco Heritage Museum and The Grove, an active adult center. Frisco is a shopping mecca with more than 9-million square feet of retail, including **Stonebriar Center** mall and IKEA. World renowned **Kidzania**, an interactive kid-size city, opened its first U.S. location here in 2019. The future home of Universal Kids Resort is under construction and will open in 2026. There are hundreds of public and private art installations displayed throughout our city.



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# **Sports City USA**

Frisco is home to five 'Pro' sport teams. The **Dallas Cowboys**, NHL's **Dallas Stars** and MLS's **FC Dallas** have headquarters here. The **Frisco RoughRiders**, a Texas Rangers' AA affiliate and **Texas Legends**, G-League for Dallas Mavericks, also make up our 'pro' roster. Those teams play in world class venues including the **Ford Center at The Star**, **Toyota Stadium**, **Rider's Field** and **CoAmerica Center**. The **PGA of America** is headquartered here and has two championship courses. PGA of America hosted its first nationally televised tournament, the 2023 KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship, in May 2023.

#### Dealmaker

Our venues resulted from public-private partnerships. As a once-small-town turned dealmaker, our reputation for public-private partnerships rivals any community in the nation. We build publicly owned venues managed by private partners, thus improving quality of life while reducing taxpayer burden. Our most valued public partner is FISD, which benefits by providing its students' academic and athletic experiences in world class facilities.

Among the companies calling Frisco home are **Kuerig Dr Pepper** and **Texas Insurance** and **Annuity Association (TIAA)**, both Fortune 500 companies. Other Class A office centers include **Frisco Station**, **Hall Park** and **The Star**.

# **Innovative**

The first commercial drone delivery service in a 'major U.S. metro' launched here in 2022. **Wing,** a Google sister company, takes off from Frisco Station. Our Innovation division is designed to attract more opportunities. In 2018, Frisco piloted the first on-demand driverless car service on Texas roads. Fed Ex and Starship also piloted on demand delivery robots, Personal Delivery Devices (PDD), here. In 2008, Frisco designed Situational Awareness for Emergency Response or S.A.F.E.R – the first of its kind in the U.S. The international award-winning program provides first responders real-time data and video when responding to emergencies, specifically calls to school campuses. Frisco also has the distinction of being the first city in the country to mandate Energy Star standards for new home construction (2001).



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#### **Accolades**

In 2018, Frisco topped *Money Magazine's* prestigious list of '**Best Places to Live in America'**. Frisco made 'Money's' list again in 2021-22, ranking #19. Other recent accolades include:

Safest City in America - Smartasset

**#10** 2025

**#1** 2023, 2022

Best Real Estate Market in the U.S. – Wallethub

**#6** 2025

**#1** 2022, 2021

**Most Recession Proof City** 

**#2** 2025, Livability.com

**#1** 2020, Smartasset

**Best City for Jobs After Graduation** 

#2 2020, Interest.com

#### **Financial health**

Frisco's proposed Combined Budget for FY25-FY26 is \$1.13 billion, which includes a General Fund budget of \$306 million. These funds support a total of 1,928 positions. Our proposed tax rate is .4255 and one of the lowest property tax rates among large Texas cities (50,000+ population).

In 2025, Frisco adopted a 20-percent Homestead Exemption, the maximum allowed by law. Frisco also supports a Senior Exemption worth \$80,000.

In 2022, Frisco adopted a 12.5-percent exemption and implemented a "senior tax freeze." In 2018, Frisco raised its Homestead Exemption from 7.5 percent to 10 percent.

Our proposed Capital Reserve Fund is \$26.1 million. Frisco also has the highest possible municipal bond ratings: Aaa, AAA (Moody's, Standard & Poor's)





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# **City government**

Frisco voters adopted the city's Home Rule Charter in 1987. In 2002, voters approved 19 propositions and a revision. Since then, Charter revisions passed in 2010, 2019 and 2025. As a **Home Rule City,** Frisco has more control over establishing its boundaries through Council initiated annexation. Under Home Rule, Frisco has more flexibility to adopt its own rules aside from state legislation.

Our Council-Manager form of government consists of a **Mayor**, six City Council members elected at-large and a City Manager. Council members' duties include enacting local legislation, adopting budgets, determining policies and appointing the City Manager, Municipal Judge and City Attorney. Frisco has had only two City Managers since its Charter adoption.

While our City Manager takes care of day-to-day operations, the Mayor and City Council focus on vision for the future. The Mayor facilitates City Council meetings; however, the Mayor does not vote except to break a tie. By Charter, the Mayor is also the official spokesperson for the City Council.



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## What makes us different

Frisco embraces technology, flexibility and creativity. We're a 'can do' city with a reputation for being innovative. Frisco is known as a dealmaker and risk taker. Leadership throughout our organization is forward thinking. Every January, the Frisco City Council determines its annual priority list. The Council's priorities for 2025-2026 are as follows:

- Grand Park
- Frisco Center for the Arts (FCFA)
- Rail District
- World Cup 2026
- Technology and Innovation
- Heritage and Frisco's History
- Business Engagement and Talent Connectivity
- Community Engagement
- Reinvestment in Frisco
- Mobility / Transportation

We're committed to several legacy projects including building **Grand Park**, which involves about 1,000 acres of city-owned land, as well as facilities, to be linked through a series of trails.

Our historic downtown, the **Rail District**, is under construction and will feature an event plaza, additional parking and patio-friendly sidewalks to transform the district into a popular destination.

Our latest mixed-use development, **Fields,** is developing our city's northern corridor and spans 2,500 acres. The Omni PGA Frisco Resort 600-acre campus anchors the Fields development. PGA Frisco hosted the KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship in 2023 and the KPMG Women's PGA Championship in 2025. It will also host the 2027 PGA Championship.







#### Land available:

71% Developed

**5%** Construction Phase

**3%** Planning Phase

13% Vacant

8% Flood Plain

# **Essential functions and responsibilities**

- Oversee the development, implementation, and management of the City's annual operating and capital budgets, ensuring compliance with all applicable Federal, State, and City regulations.
- Monitor budget performance and provide regular reports to executive leadership, department directors, and elected officials.
- Develop and implement budget policies and procedures to ensure fiscal responsibility and regulatory compliance.
- Direct staff in day-to-day departmental operations, including review and approval of expenditures, agenda items, special projects, expenditure variances, interfund transfers, fund summaries, and level of service reporting.
- Lead the development and management of the Capital Improvement Program (CIP), ensuring alignment with the City's strategic goals and priorities.
- Coordinate with departments to identify, prioritize, and monitor capital projects, providing updates and recommendations as needed.
- Support the integration of long-range financial planning with the City's strategic plan, comprehensive plan, and infrastructure investment strategies.
- Conduct scenario analysis and sensitivity testing to evaluate financial risks and opportunities.
- Prepare and present financial reports, forecasts, and recommendations to executive leadership, City Council, and advisory committees.
- Develop and maintain an asset management plan to ensure efficient use and maintenance of the City's assets.
- Provide recommendations for asset acquisition, disposal, and replacement based on lifecycle analysis.
- Conduct regular training workshops and sessions for City staff.
- Make formal and informal budget presentations to City staff and elected officials.
- Perform other related duties as assigned, including travel for meetings, conferences, and training.





The ideal candidate for
Assistant Director of Budget
& Strategic Planning will
be a forward-thinking,
collaborative leader with
a proven track record
in municipal budgeting,
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capital improvement
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# Knowledge, skills and abilities

- Extensive knowledge of Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) and Generally Accepted Auditing Standards (GAAS) related to municipal budgetary administration and program development.
- Expertise in the preparation and development of annual budget documents and financial reporting.
- Expertise in implementing asset management software.
- Proficiency with complex general ledger systems and financial software, including Microsoft Office Suite.
- In-depth understanding of CIP practices and principles, municipal audit practices, and asset management.
- Strong skills in oral and written communication, including the ability to prepare and present technical reports and materials.
- Ability to develop, implement, and enforce municipal budgetary regulations, practices, and procedures.
- Skilled in negotiating, mediating, and resolving differences in municipal auditing practices and implementing corrective measures.
- Effective planning, development, and implementation of departmental procedures and objectives.
- Proven ability to supervise and delegate duties to assigned staff.

# Assistant Director of Budget: The ideal candidate

The ideal candidate for Assistant Director of Budget & Strategic Planning will be a forward-thinking, collaborative leader with a proven track record in municipal budgeting, strategic planning, and capital improvement management. This individual will demonstrate:

- Broad knowledge of municipal operations, fiscal management, and organizational development, preferably in a high-growth, full-service municipality.
- Experience navigating complex budgets and implementing long- and short-range strategic plans.
- Strong leadership and team-building skills, with the ability to mentor and empower staff.

Political acumen, emotional intelligence, and excellent communication skills.

- Commitment to accountability, transparency, and the City's culture of high performance.
- Ability to build trust with executive leadership, City Council, department directors, community partners, and residents.
- Integrity, ethical standards, and a servant-leader mindset, dedicated to advancing the City's vision and delivering outstanding service to the community.



Qualified applicants will have a Bachelor's Degree in Accounting, Public Finance, or related field and five (5) years of professional governmental accounting experience with CPA designation, or Bachelor's Degree in Accounting, Finance, or related field and seven (7) years of professional governmental accounting experience, or equivalent combination of education and experience.



# **Education and experience**

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- Minimum of five (5) years of supervisory experience required.
- Governmental fund accounting experience and CPA or Certified Government Finance Officer designation preferred.
- Must possess a State of Texas Driver's License and pass pre-employment screenings.

## **Salary**

The City of Frisco is offering a competitive salary commensurate with experience and a comprehensive benefits package. Relocation assistance will also be available for the successful out-of-area candidate.

# How to apply

Interested applicants should forward a cover letter and resume to:

resumes@affionpublic.com Reference: FRISCOBSP



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