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Ernest R. Bonner, the No. 2 man in the Cleveland Plan Department since early 1970, is resigning in mid-October to become planning director of Portland, Ore.

Bonner will head planning in the Pacific Northwest city of 250,000 at a salary of $25,000. He is being paid $19,000 to oversee Cleveland's 15-man comprehensive planning section, the main arm of the department.

"We're certainly going to miss him," Plan Director Norman Krumholz said. "Bonner is one of the best I've ever run into in the country."

Bonner, 41, joined the department 3 1/2 years ago. He was a Professor at the University of Wisconsin at that time. Previously he was an assistant plan director in Ithaca, NY.