

STREETS AND PARKS MAINTENANCE WORKER I

DEFINITION

Under supervision, to perform a variety of unskilled physical labor and semi-skilled maintenance, repair, construction, and clean up of City streets, street trees and parks, and recreational facilities; to maintain streets and street trees; and to do related work as required. Serves as Disaster Service Worker. FLSA Status: Non-exempt.

DISTINGUISHING CHARACTERISTICS

This is the entry and first working level classification in the Streets and Parks Maintenance Worker class series. This level is distinguished from Streets and Parks Maintenance Worker II by the performance of a narrower range of assignments under closer supervision. When an incumbent has demonstrated requisite experience, work skills, and sound work habits and meets qualifications, he/she may be promoted to Streets and Parks Maintenance Worker II level. Incumbents in this class are subject to twenty-four hour "call out" and standby.

REPORTS TO

Manager assigned to Streets and Parks, Streets and Park Maintenance Worker III, or as assigned.

CLASSIFICATIONS SUPERVISED

This is not a supervisory position.

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS

Assists with the care of City streets, street trees and parks, and recreational facilities; performs duties such as street maintenance, mowing, watering, and shaping lawns and shrubs; plants, waters, cultivates, weeds, prunes, and fertilizes trees, shrubbery, flowers, and lawns; sweeps and rakes grounds; maintains special recreational areas such as ball diamonds and tennis courts; empties trash receptacles; sets up for recreation facilities and events; maintains and repairs playground equipment; installs, maintains, and repairs sprinkler systems; drives trucks; assists with brush chipping; may cut weeds, clear debris, and clean ditches; performs routine maintenance and repair duties on equipment; loads, rakes, and shovels grass clippings; does general clean-up work; maintains street trees and landscaped areas; uses general hand tools; operates power tools such as chain saws; operates equipment such as trucks, ball field equipment, back-hoe, and front loaders; may use a shovel to open, widen, and backfill excavations; communicates with the public; performs basic preventive maintenance on equipment; may perform building maintenance activities on City buildings and parks and recreation facilities; and may be assigned to assist with other departments or divisions for maintenance and repairs as needed. Does miscellaneous minor repair and

maintenance on automotive equipment and small engines. May be required to attend night or weekend events.

TYPICAL PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS

Frequently stand and walk; walk for long distances and on sloped ground and slippery and uneven surfaces; normal manual dexterity and eye-hand coordination; ability to lift material weighing over 100 lbs. with assistance; ability to bend, stoop, kneel, crawl, and crouch; corrected hearing and vision to normal range; verbal and written communication; use of hand and power tools, and street maintenance tools and equipment including, but not limited to, chain saws, lawn mowers, weed eaters, rototillers, edgers, and other grounds equipment.

TYPICAL WORKING CONDITIONS

Work is performed outside in varying temperature, weather, and humidity conditions; work is performed in an environment with constant noise; exposure to gasses, fumes, dust, grease, and oils; exposure to moving equipment; exposure to electrical current; and constant contact with staff and the public.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS**Knowledge of:**

- Safe driving practices and the California Vehicle Code relating to the operation of motor vehicles.
- Work safety practices.
- Basic knowledge of methods, procedures, and equipment used in care and maintenance of City streets and street trees.
- Basic knowledge of methods, procedures, and equipment used in care and maintenance of parks, grounds, and recreation facilities.

Ability to:

- Perform a variety of unskilled and semi-skilled work in the care and maintenance of City streets, street trees, parks, and recreational facilities.
- Set up for recreation facilities and events.
- Learn the methods and practices of sprinkler system maintenance and repair.
- Perform heavy physical labor.
- Follow oral and written directions.
- Maintain and make basic repairs to equipment.
- Maintain basic records.
- Safely operate tools and equipment related to streets and parks care and maintenance.
- Operate equipment such as street maintenance equipment, mowers, weed

- eaters, trucks, backhoe, front loaders, and ball field equipment.
- Establish and maintain cooperative working relationships.

Training and Experience:

- One (1) year of work experience in streets and grounds maintenance work or general maintenance.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

- Possession of a current State of California Pesticide Applicator certificate within six (6) months of appointment.
- Possession of valid first aid and CPR certification issued by the American Red Cross or ability to become certified within six (6) months of employment.
- Possession of, or ability to obtain, appropriate certification or licenses as designated by the City of Atwater.

Education:

- Equivalent to graduation from high school.

License:

- Possession of a valid California Commercial Class "B" driver's license with appropriate endorsements within six (6) months of appointment.

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