City of Joliet

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

JOB POSTING #: 66-26
POSITION POSTED: 11/2/2026
POSITION EXPIRATION: Open until filled
TITLE: Maintenance Worker (Position Code #2195)
SALARY: This role's initial salary is $57,798
Full Salary Range for this position is $57,798 - $110,005
DEPARTMENT: Public Utilities
DIVISION: Sewer

GENERAL PURPOSE

Performs unskilled and semi-skilled work of a varied nature in constructing, maintaining and operating City streets, infrastructure, equipment and facilities; performs related work as required.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Performs general laboring tasks such as repairing sewers, cindering and patching streets, and assisting in emergencies such as floods and storms;
Repairs minor maintenance and custodial work in the care of departmental facilities;
Trims, sprays and prunes trees and paints tree wounds;
Installs and paints barricades;
Cuts brush and operates chipping machine as an incidental task;
Services trucks and other equipment;
Operates compressor;
May operate various motorized equipment;
Plows snow;
Serves as a helper to maintenance tradesman or plant operator;
Drives dump truck and other motor equipment;
Performs related duties as required.

Roadways
Repairs and patches streets, sidewalks and curbs, operates air hammer and other equipment;
Rebuilds streets, inlets and catch basins;
Installs and replaces street and traffic signs;
Straightens and replaces parking meter posts.

Sewer
Locates and repairs defective sewer tiles;
Excavates and repairs sewer cave-ins and collapsed pipes; digs ditches and mixes mortar;
Clears blockages, cleans and water jets sewer lines and structures.

Water
Performs daily inspections and maintenance of utility plants in surrounding areas to assure proper operation and clean and orderly conditions;

Repairs leaking water mains;
Takes water taps and installs water meters;
Performs fill-in as Operator I on rotating shifts as required.

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS

Education and Experience

Completion of standard high school courses or GED equivalent;
Some experience in public works and construction and maintenance work;
Any equivalent combination of experience and training which provides the required knowledge, skills and abilities.

Knowledge, Skills and Abilities

Some knowledge of the methods and materials used in street maintenance and repair work;
Some knowledge of the method, equipment and materials used in maintaining, repairing and operating water and sewer systems;
Ability to maintain daily reporting forms and work orders for reporting work completed on a given day;
Good knowledge of precautions necessary in performing maintenance, construction, and repair work;
Skill in the use and care of tools and equipment used in general maintenance, construction and repair work;
Ability to take adequate measurements to record completed underground work, (i.e. location of curb boxes, valves and water and sewer pipes);
Ability to perform the physical demands of the position;
Ability to work outdoors under adverse conditions;
Skills in communications and interpersonal skills to professionally and respectfully interact with coworkers, managers, the public, and government officials to exchange or convey information, both orally and in writing;
Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with employees, City officials and the public;
Ability to comprehend and carry out oral and/or written instructions and sketches and exercise good judgement, thoroughness and dependability;
Ability to work rotating shift schedules.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

- Possession of a valid Commercial Driver's License (CDL) issued by the state of Illinois appropriate to operate equipment.
- Must reside within the corporate limits of the City of Joliet or within a 50-mile radius of the intersection of Jefferson Street and Essington Road within eighteen (18) months of initial employment and shall remain subject to these residency requirements until their 20th anniversary.
- Residency has been expanded to include a 50-mile radius of the Jefferson/Essington intersection. Employees who were previously exempt from the Residency requirement remain exempt.

TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT USED

Motor vehicles/equipment, generators, pumps, gauges, common hand and power tools, shovels, wrenches, detection devices, mobile radio, phone, calculator, and a variety of mechanical equipment and any other tools of the trade that may come into common use or be necessary to perform needed tasks.

PHYSICAL DEMANDS

The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

While performing the duties of this job, the employee is regularly required to use hands to finger, handle, feel or operate objects, tools, or controls and reach with hands and arms. The employee frequently is required to stand and talk or hear. The employee is occasionally required to walk; sit; climb or balance; stoop, kneel, crouch, or crawl; and smell.

The employee must frequently lift and/or move up to 50 pounds and occasionally lift and/or move 125 pounds waist high (pick up 6 inch valve) and lift 165 pounds at least 3 inches (remove solid manhole lid); tum valve 40 revolutions at 400in-lbs. resistance (open/close old 12 inch valve). Specific vision abilities required by this job include close vision, distance vision, color vision, peripheral vision, depth perception, and the ability to adjust focus.

WORK ENVIRONMENT

The work environment characteristics described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

While performing the duties of this job, the employee is frequently exposed to outside weather conditions. The employee is occasionally exposed to wet and/or humid conditions; moving mechanical parts; high, precarious places, fumes or airborne particles; toxic or caustic chemicals; extreme cold; extreme heat and risk of electrical shock. The noise level in the work environment is usually moderate.

SELECTION GUIDELINES

Formal application, rating of education and experience; job related written test; oral examination and reference check is required.

The duties listed above are only illustrations of the various types of work that may be performed. The omission of specific statements of duties does not exclude them from the position if the work is similar, related or a logical assignment to the position.

The job description does not constitute an employment agreement between the employer and employee

and is subject to change by the employer as the needs of the employer and requirement of the job change.

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY/REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION EMPLOYER