Utility Worker I

DEPARTMENT: Public Works **DIVISION:** Operations

SUPERVISOR: Public Works Supervisor

CLASSIFICATION: Non-Exempt

UNION: Yes CONFIDENTIAL: No



POSITION SUMMARY

Entry level position under direct supervision of others. Performs a variety of unskilled or semiskilled maintenance work and operates a variety of equipment in the construction, operation, repair, maintenance, and replacement of City water, sewer, street, and storm drainage facilities and systems. Work may be performed with independence after routine is learned.

SUPERVISION RECEIVED

Works under the supervision of the Public Works Supervisor or a designated alternate. Additional field supervision by a Utility/Equipment Operator as assigned.

SUPERVISION EXERCISED

None.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES include the following, but are not limited to:

- Inspects and/or repairs booster pumping stations, reservoir, meters, streets, drainage systems, and sewer system at frequent intervals to insure that all aspects of the systems are functioning properly.
- Maintains a variety of records relating to inspections, maintenance activity, water supply, consumption, etc.
- Determines the locations of gas, telephone, power, television, water, and sewer lines from the appropriate sources prior to excavation.
- Responds to complaints regarding water leaks, pressure loss, or no water; evaluates situation; explains findings to supervisor.
- Contacts residents and business owners in area where services will be discontinued and explains when services will be shut off and how soon it will be turned back on.
- Insures the proper maintenance of equipment and tools by cleaning and checking equipment and tools after use.
- Drives trucks of various sizes and weights in the loading, hauling, and unloading of various equipment, gravel and sand.
- Performs routine inspection and preventive maintenance on assigned equipment and refers defects or needed repairs to supervisor; cleans equipment.
- Performs all duties in conformance to appropriate safety and security standards.

- Performs required labor involved in construction and maintenance projects as part of a crew, including pavement cutting, rock drilling, blasting, ditch digging, manhole and line cleaning, main and pipe repair, laying and backfilling.
- Cuts, fits, lays, repairs, taps, cleans, and flushes water mains, pipe, gates and fittings on repair of mains and services and installation of services and fire hydrants; assists in shutting off broken sections of water mains.
- Services water supply, sewer lift, and other pumps.
- Operates a variety of power construction and maintenance equipment used in the water, sewer and street department.
- Other duties as required.

PERIPHERAL DUTIES

• Serves on various employee or other committees as assigned.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE

- a. Graduation from high school education or GED equivalent, and
- b. Any equivalent combination of education and experience.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES

- a. Some knowledge of equipment, facilities, materials, methods and procedures used in maintenance, construction and repair activities;
- b. Skill in operation of some of the listed tools and equipment.
- c. Ability to perform heavy manual tasks for extended periods of time; ability to work safely; ability to communicate effectively verbally and in writing; ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with employees, other departments and the public; ability to understand and carry out written and oral instructions.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

• Valid State Driver's license and CDL certification, or ability to obtain one.

TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT USED

Motorized vehicles and equipment, including dump truck, pickup truck, utility truck, tamper, rock drill, plate compactor, saws, pumps, compressors, sanders, generators, common hand and power tools, shovels, wrenches, detection devices, mobile radio, phone, ditch witch backhoe, sewer vacuum truck.

PHYSICAL DEMANDS

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

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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 25 pounds and occasionally lift and/or move up to 100 pounds. 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 an employee encounters while performing 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 regularly works in outside weather conditions. The employee frequently works near moving mechanical parts and is frequently exposed to wet and/or humid conditions and vibration. The employee occasionally works in high, precarious places and is occasionally exposed to fumes or airborne particles, toxic or caustic chemicals, and risk of electrical shock.

The noise level in the work environment is usually loud.

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EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGMENT

The duties listed above are intended only as 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 requirements of the job change.

I acknowledge that I have received a copy of the **Utility Worker I** job description. I understand that it is my responsibility to adhere to the Essential Duties and Responsibilities as outlined within this job description.

My signature below is evidence that I have reviewed and concurred that the above detailed job description appropriately describes the work of the position, including essential job functions, the minimum education and experience required of the position, and the physical demands of the position.

Signatures:		
Utility Worker I	 Date	
Print Name:		
Public Works Supervisor	 Date	