

## CITY OF BURBANK

### SENIOR GROUNDSKEEPER

#### DEFINITION

Under general supervision, to direct a crew and perform a variety of skilled work in the landscape maintenance of parks and other municipal properties; and perform related work as required.

#### ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS

Directs, trains, and participates in the landscape maintenance of parks and other municipal properties which includes, but is not limited to: maintaining, irrigating, and fertilizing grounds and planting areas, collecting refuse and litter, performing general grounds cleaning, maintaining and repairing irrigation systems, athletic fields, and equipment, renovating of designated areas, and applying pesticides on lawns, shrubs, and trees; operates mowers, renovators, sprayers, cultivators, hedge trimmers, and other specialized power equipment; drives light and heavy-duty trucks, tractors, backhoe, skip loader, trencher, and other City vehicles; ensures safety of property and persons by placing or directing to be placed warning devices and other safety apparatus at job sites and special events; prepares and maintains various written reports; performs rough carpentry and cement work; repairs sidewalks and walkways; assists with inspections of play equipment to assure safe operation; assists supervisors in the review of landscape and irrigation plans; provides the public with information regarding the proper use of City parks, facilities, and programs; assists in the prevention of vandalism and facility abuse; may be required to perform additional functions including, but not limited to, basic tree maintenance and removal; drives on City business.

#### MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

##### Employment Standards:

- Knowledge of - landscape maintenance; building cleaning and maintenance; applicable safety rules, practices, and procedures; a wide variety of tools and other power equipment used in maintenance of grounds and parks; maintenance of athletic fields and common plants found in public areas throughout the City; irrigation systems; proper English usage, spelling, grammar, and punctuation in order to effectively perform the essential functions of this classification (this is not a language restriction as defined in California Government Code Section 12951).
- Skill in - using standard and specialized landscape maintenance equipment; working with various segments of the population in a variety of situations; discerning potentially dangerous situations; observation; training others in assigned duties and fostering a teamwork environment.
- Ability to - safely perform manual work of a landscape maintenance nature; follow and give written and oral directions; learn, comprehend, and apply department policies and regulations; communicate effectively, both orally and in writing; maintain records and prepare written reports; work holidays, weekends, after hours, and outdoors in a variety of weather conditions while exposed to the elements; establish and maintain effective working relationships with supervisors, fellow employees, and the public.

**Education/Training:** Two years of recent paid full-time experience in general landscape maintenance work.

**Special Conditions & Requirements:** Employees in this classification, who are required by applicable laws and regulations to have respiratory protection, shall comply with the American National Standards Institute's requirements on Practices for Respiratory Protection; possess and maintain physical condition required to perform essential functions of the classification which include the physical ability to: lift, pull, lower, and carry considerable amounts of weight (for weight in excess of 50 pounds, tools or other appropriate assistance are recommended to perform the function); bend in all directions; climb ladders; stoop; kneel; reach; twist; squeeze with arms and hands; stand for extended periods of time.

**License & Certificates:** A valid California Class "A" driver's license or equivalent at time of appointment. All required licenses and certificates must be maintained throughout employment in this classification.

#### SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

**Desirable Qualifications:** California Department of Pesticide Regulation Qualified Applicator Certificate and/or California Department of Pesticide Regulation Qualified Applicator License.