

Employment Opportunity **Public Works Technician**

Open Date: Tuesday, September 12, 2017

Closing Date: Open Until Filled

The Bessemer City Public Works Department is seeking a highly qualified professional and motivated candidate to work in the community. The Public Works Department is currently accepting applications for the position of Public Works Technician. This positions will be part of the Department's Streets/Maintenance Division.

Job Description:

General Statement of Duties

Performs a variety of responsible unskilled, semi-skilled, and sometimes skilled maintenance, repair, and construction work on streets, buildings, grounds, drainage, water distribution and sewer collection system and other public facilities. Works under the direction of the Lead Public Works Technician.

Distinguishing Features of the Class

An employee in this class performs a variety of unskilled and semi-skilled labor tasks in the construction, maintenance, and repair of water distribution and sewer collection system, streets, buildings, grounds, and drainage, and other facilities. Other tasks include collecting and disposing of yard waste, snow removal, and various other related tasks. Work involves operating a variety of tools and light, and medium equipment to build, repair and replace sections of sewer line, asphalt repair, concrete repair and other infrastructure. Employees are subject to working in both inside and outside environments, in extreme hot and cold weather, and exposure to various hazards such as loud noises, vibration, moving mechanical parts, electrical current, chemicals, fumes, odors, dusts, mists, gases, poor ventilation, and oils. Employees are also subject to working in or around sewer and man holes. Work around sewer subjects employees to the final OSHA standards on blood borne pathogens. Employees are also subject to on-call and call-back work. Work is performed under regular supervision and is evaluated through observation and inspection for adherence to instructions and standard trade and safety practices.

Duties and Responsibilities

Performs semi-skilled trades work in the construction, replacement, maintenance and repair of water and sewer lines; operates sewer jet and construction equipment such as dump trucks, loaders, tampers, trenchers, air compression driven equipment, and other related light and medium equipment; performs preventive maintenance and minor repairs to equipment.

Performs water and sewer taps; exercises water valves and hydrants.

Participates in asphalt and concrete repair to streets, sidewalks, curb and gutter and other street facilities.

Operates a variety of light, medium and heavy equipment including front end loaders, back hoes, dump trucks, sewer jet, chain saws, tractors, trenchers, etc.
Participates in erection, maintenance and repair of street signs.

Participates in removal and chipping limbs; vacuuming and removal of leaves.

Repairs, builds and cleans storm sewers, catch basins, driveway pipes and aprons.

Participates in mowing, mulching, planting, irrigating, and other landscape maintenance tasks.
Cleans buildings, paints, replaces light bulbs, arranges furniture, and performs other unskilled building maintenance and repair tasks.

Provides traffic flagging and control and insures safe work zone when working around traffic.

Shovels or pushes snow with a dump truck.

Mows and cleans grounds and cleans buildings as necessary.

Substitutes as necessary on solid waste collection routes.

Additional Job Duties

Performs related tasks as required.

Recruitment and Selection Guidelines

Working knowledge of tools, materials and equipment used in public works and utility construction and maintenance work.

Working knowledge of the occupational hazards and safety precautions of the work.

Working knowledge of municipal maintenance and construction practices including some knowledge of asphalt, drainage, concrete and water and sewer line maintenance.

Some knowledge of traffic laws, ordinances and regulations pertaining to operations of motorized equipment.

Ability to understand oral and written instructions.

Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with citizens, supervisors, and other employees.

Ability to operate light to heavy construction and maintenance equipment with skill and safety.

Ability to prepare simple written records of work activities.

Physical Requirements

Must be able to physically perform the basic life operational functions of climbing, balancing, stooping, kneeling, crouching, crawling, reaching, standing, walking, pushing, pulling, lifting, feeling, talking, hearing, and repetitive motions.

Must be able to perform heavy work exerting up to 100 pounds of force occasionally; 50 pounds of force frequently; and 20 pounds constantly.

Must possess the visual acuity to operate mobile equipment such as the loader and dump truck in a safe manner.

Starting Salary:

Depending on Qualifications (DOQ)

Apply:

Applications can be obtained at City Hall, 132 West Virginia Avenue, Bessemer City, NC 28016 or online at www.bessemercity.com/employment-opportunities.

Please submit all applications to:

City of Bessemer City
Attn: Josh Ross, Human Capital Officer
132 West Virginia Avenue
Bessemer City, NC 28016

Or email to jross@bessemercity.com

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