

CITY OF CHATTANOOGA

Classification Specification Title: Transportation Equipment Operator

Department: Public Works

Pay Grade: GS.08

Supervision Received From: Transportation Operations Mgr

FLSA Status: Non-Exempt

Supervisory Responsibility For: None

Established Date: 7/01/21

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CLASSIFICATION SUMMARY:

Incumbents in this classification drive and operate vehicles, tractors and other equipment with specialized functions that involve the operation of mechanisms to complete tasks in addition to driving and maneuvering the vehicle in order to complete tasks for various maintenance and/or construction projects; equipment in this classification includes larger vehicles requiring a higher level of skill to drive and maneuver in and around confined spaces and vehicles with mechanisms that are somewhat complex to operate, requiring more dexterity and finesse.

Classification is reserved for those positions where driving and operating of included equipment is the primary function of the job.

SERIES LEVEL: Transportation Equipment Operator is the fourth level in a five-level equipment operator series.

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS:

(The following duties ARE NOT intended to serve as a comprehensive list of all duties performed by all employees in this classification, only a representative summary of the primary duties and responsibilities. Incumbent(s) may not be required to perform all duties listed and may be required to perform additional, position-specific duties.)

Operates various equipment and vehicles to complete tasks related to the maintenance, upkeep, installation and construction of City grounds, property, utilities, rights-of-way, and other infrastructure for Public Works and Parks & Recreation operations; drives vehicles over public roads, worksites, rights-of-way, parks, public works facilities and other City property.

Maneuvers in and around traffic, parked cars, equipment, utilities and other obstacles; obeys all traffic laws and safety guidelines; monitors immediate environment and work area to ensure the safety of the operator, other workers, the equipment and the public.

Drives bucket and/or lift truck to work site and operates lift mechanisms to elevate crews performing various maintenance, upkeep and installation for traffic systems, tree trimming and other tasks requiring access to high places; positions vehicle and lift-platform to ensure optimum access to required location and avoid power lines, low branches, traffic and other hazards; monitors activities to ensure the safety of crew workers.

Operates thermoplastic line striper and paint machines to mark pavement along City roads, parking lots and other paved surfaces; calibrates laser to aim spray mechanisms for accurate

placement of markings; operates spray mechanisms to apply paint or traffic markings to pavement in accordance with the desired lines, arrows, messages or other symbols.

Place cones to indicate newly painted surfaces; disassembles and cleans spray nozzles and mechanisms.

Inspects and prepares equipment for safe and proper operation prior to beginning work for the day; performs light maintenance on equipment which includes changing oil, refueling and refilling lubricants; cleans vehicles, beds and mounted equipment upon completion of assignments; secures vehicle after use.

Leads assigned crew in safe and effective completion of assorted work in an assigned department, division or specialized area.

Operates vehicles and equipment in lower classifications as needed or assigned to complete division or departmental projects and workload.

Performs basic and semi-skilled labor as appropriate to assist in the completion of maintenance, upkeep and construction projects; picks up paper, limbs, and other debris; uses hand tools and operates motorized tools as necessary to complete assigned task; installs/maintains street signs and manually loads, moves and arranges materials.

May be required to use, carry and answer their cell phone as determined by their job duties and the Department Head.

Must meet regular attendance requirements.

Must be able to maintain good interpersonal relationships with staff, co-workers, managers and citizens.

Must accomplish the essential functions of the job, with or without reasonable accommodations, in a timely manner.

Performs other related duties such as working in lower level positions as required.

DEPARTMENT SPECIFIC DUTIES (if any):

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: High School Diploma or GED and two (2) years of any combination of relevant experience/training, training sufficient to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. Hazardous materials endorsement preferred; or any combination of equivalent experience and education.

LICENSING AND CERTIFICATIONS: Valid Class D license required. Valid Class A, Class A restricted or Class B commercial driver license preferred.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION:

Knowledge of occupational hazards and safety precautions; general equipment and maintenance principles; materials and equipment utilized in assigned area of responsibility; demonstrated ability to drive and operate assigned equipment; operation of commercial vehicles that consist of

self-contained specialized equipment; typical equipment operated might include but is not limited to: bucket trucks and thermoplastic paint machines.

PHYSICAL DEMANDS: Positions in this class typically require climbing, balancing, stooping, kneeling, crouching, crawling, reaching, standing, walking, pushing, pulling, lifting, fingering, grasping, feeling, talking, hearing, seeing, and repetitive motions.

WORK ENVIRONMENT: Medium Work: Exerting up to 50 pounds of force occasionally, and/or up to 20 pounds of force frequently, and/or up to 10 pounds of force constantly to move objects.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:

Safety Sensitive: Y

Department of Transportation - CDL: N

Child Sensitive: N

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