

Line Maintenance Technician I

Department: Utilities/Line Maintenance
Reports to: Line Maintenance Supervisor
Hiring Range: \$16.36 - \$17.39
FLSA Status: Non-Exempt

JOB SUMMARY

Under direct supervision, performs various routine and repetitive tasks to construct, repair, and maintain the City's water distribution system, wastewater collection system, and other water and sewer utility operations.

QUALIFICATIONS

Education and Experience:

- Must have a High School Diploma or General Equivalency Diploma (GED).
- Two or more years of experience in water distribution and collection pipeline repair is preferred.
- A Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) Class "C" Water Distribution, or a Class "II" Wastewater Collection Certification of Competency is preferred.

Special Qualifications:

- Must have a valid Texas driver's license and driving record must be in compliance with city policy.
- Must submit to and pass a post-offer, non-regulated drug test and thorough background checks (including criminal history).

Knowledge, Skills and Abilities:

- Must have a good working knowledge of the operation and maintenance of light to heavy construction equipment; water and sewer utility operations; and generally accepted work safety procedures.
- Related utility operation or equipment operation work experience is preferred.

ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS

- Constructs, maintains, and replaces water or sewer mains and/or service lines; inspects, diagnoses, and repairs failures in water and sewer mains; operates various construction equipment; constructs and adjusts manholes and clean-outs; installs and repairs fire hydrants and valves; prepares trenches; and jet flushes and cleans sewer lines.

- Excavates trenches and ditches for the repair and/or construction of new pipelines and/or service laterals.
- Operates sewer cleaning equipment, as needed, to clean main pipelines, service laterals, manholes, and spills.
- Disassembles, cleans, repairs, replaces, and tests defective or worn parts on water meters.
- Repairs water and sewer main breaks, installs and changes water meters and reading devices; and performs other water and sewer pipeline operation tasks.
- Completes work orders in paper or electronic format, as appropriate, to document all equipment/labor/material information and details related to the work performed.
- Operates various light to heavy construction equipment and tools to include tractors, backhoes, dump trucks, sewer cleaners, jack hammers, water main tapping machine, air compressors, trailers, compactors, line trimmers, mowers, welders, cut off saws, vehicles, power tools, and hand held tools.
- Works safely within high speed vehicle traffic areas, along medians, right of ways, etc.
- Conducts daily inspections and preventative maintenance tasks of vehicles and equipment, such as washing, checking fluid levels, lubrication, tire pressure check, cleaning filters and screens, cleaning of wind shields; insuring road worthiness by checking the operation and presence of all lights, horns, braking systems, wipers, road hazard equipment; and securing loads and other items required by the Dept. of Transportation before allowing equipment onto public roads.
- Identifies and informs supervisor of potential hazards, liability exposures, problem areas, public inquiries of the general public, and the status of work activities.
- Adheres to the personnel, safety, and department policies and procedures.
- Assist other coworkers as needed.
- Performs other duties as assigned.

PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS

- To perform the essential functions of the job, must be able to talk, read, see, walk, and hear; have good hand/foot/eye coordination to operate and repair equipment and vehicles; follow verbal and written directives; perform strenuous physical activities to include, exerting up to 100 pounds of pressure; lift, push, pull, and carry heavy objects, equipment, and supplies up to 100 pounds several times a day; shovel; crawl; bend; kneel; climb on and off equipment.
- Must work extensive hours and respond within 30 minutes to an on-call or emergency callback.

WORK ENVIRONMENT

- Work is performed primarily outdoors where exposure includes, but may not be limited to, dust, dirt, fumes, confined spaces, in trenches, on level, slippery, sloping, unstable and muddy terrain, and under constantly noisy conditions and in inclement weather conditions.
- Work in adverse environmental conditions to include inclement weather such as rain, sleet, snow, heat, sun exposure and hazardous conditions such as street traffic, fume odor, dust/mist, hazardous chemicals, and other solid waste substances; and exposure to insects and noxious plants.

To perform this job successfully, an individual must be able to perform the essential job functions satisfactorily. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the primary job functions herein described. Since every duty associated with this position may not be described herein, employees may be required to perform duties not specifically spelled out in the job description, but which may be reasonably considered to be incidental in the performing of their duties just as though they were actually written out in this job description.