

Job Title **GARDENER**
Closing Date/Time April 3, 2020, 4:30 pm
Salary \$1,375.04 – \$2,019.60 Biweekly
Job Type Classified - Full-Time, Permanent
Location Long Beach, California
Department Multiple Departments – (CL)

Accepting online applications only. Apply online 24 hours a day beginning on March 20, 2020 through 4:30 p.m., April 3, 2020.

EXAMPLES OF DUTIES: Under general supervision, independently or as a member of a crew, performs or evaluates contractor performance for skilled gardening work; prepares soil and performs cultivation work; grades, plants and reseeds lawns; mows lawns using triplex and/or rotary riding type mowers and walk-type mowers; edges and waters lawns; adjusts and makes minor repairs to sprinkler systems; programs irrigation system using central software; prunes shrubs and trees; transplants flowers, shrubs and/or trees; leads the work of helpers performing gardening and grounds maintenance work; operates trucks and light power equipment; services and makes minor repairs to tools and equipment; observes and enforces safety regulation; orders materials and supplies, keeps time and other records; may be required to apply chemicals for weed and pest control; performs other related duties as required.

REQUIREMENTS TO FILE:

Applicants must meet one of the following options A, B, or C

- A. Two years of recent, paid (full-time equivalent) experience in gardening and grounds maintenance work and knowledge of the care and maintenance of flowers, shrubs, plants, trees, lawns, and/or athletic fields.

OR

- B. Education equivalent to two years of training at an accredited college or university with major course work in Horticulture or related fields **(proof required)** *.
Semester units: 24 units = 1 year
Quarter units: 36 units = 1 year

OR

- C. Combination of related recent, paid (full-time equivalent) experience and related education totaling two years **(proof required)** *.

Additional Requirements to File:

- Knowledge of pesticide use and safety, irrigation systems, and drought tolerant plant materials.
- Ability to:
 - Assess, document and troubleshoot issues within the complete irrigation system.
 - Communicate effectively verbally and in writing.
 - Work independently.
 - Drive City vehicles.

- Utilize electronic work order system.
- Lift and carry up to 50 pounds.
- Work in or near streets with heavy traffic.
- Willingness to work evenings, holidays, and overtime.

A valid motor vehicle operator's license and a current DMV driving record must be submitted to the hiring department at time of selection.

***Proof of required documents, such as degree, transcripts or certificates, must be uploaded to the online application at time of filing. Candidates who possess degrees from colleges or universities from outside the United States must attach proof of educational equivalency at the time of filing.**

DESIRABLE QUALIFICATIONS:

Experience working with contractors on landscape and grounds maintenance projects; State of California Department of Agriculture Qualified Pesticide Applicator Certificate, Horticulture Certificate, Arboriculture Certificate; valid Class A or B motor vehicle operator's license; knowledge of CALTRANS standards for setting up traffic control devices; and ability to communicate using email.

EXAMINATION WEIGHTS:

Application Packet.....Qualifying
Written Exam.....100%

A minimum rating of 70 must be attained in order to be placed on the eligible list. Certification by score bands may be considered based on an analysis of test scores. The resulting eligible list will remain in effect for one year.

Based on the number of applications accepted, the selection procedure may be changed. In the event of the need to revise the selection procedure, those affected will be notified of the details at a later date.

The written test is tentatively scheduled for week of April 20th. If you have not received notification of the status of your application by April 17, 2020, please contact the Civil Service Department at (562) 570-6202.

In support of the City's Language Access Policy, bilingual skills (Spanish, Khmer and/or Tagalog) are desirable for some positions interacting with the public.



This information is available in an alternative format by request at (562) 570-6202. If special accommodation is desired, please contact the Civil Service Department two (2) business days prior to the test at (562) 570-6202. For hearing impaired, call (562) 570-6638.
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