

**CITY OF POMPANO BEACH
CLASS DESCRIPTION**

JOB CODE 581

URBAN FORESTER

GENERAL

Responsible for the management and compliance of all aspects of the City's landscaping ordinances. Develops, implements, monitors, and enforces all facets of the landscaping code. Key participant in the development of the City's landscape improvement and maintenance program and participates in the development and monitoring of City-owned preservation lands. Technical work involved with landscape plan review, tree permit, and mitigation permits.

EXAMPLES OF ESSENTIAL DUTIES

(These are intended only as illustrations of the various types of work performed. The omission of specific duties does not exclude them from the position if the work is similar, related, or a logical assignment to the position)

- Develop and implement plans, strategies, and programs to conserve, preserve, and promote the planting of trees and urban forests within the City.
- Plan, develop, and coordinate all landscaping activities in compliance with the City's landscaping code.
- Review construction plans, specifications, contracts, and mitigation plans for compliance with codes, ordinances, and zoning as they relate to trees, forests, and other landscape materials.
- Interpret, explain, or enforce City policies and procedures, specifications, and ordinances.
- Coordinate division/section activities with other divisions/departments, public agencies, and private entities.
- Compiles and calculates data/information for reports and cost estimates.
- Manage tree planting activities.
- Inspect sites and treat trees and plants for diseases and parasites.
- Confer with architects, developers, contractors, and development representatives to discuss tree preservation and landscaping techniques.
- Serves as the City's representative and coordinator of various activities with other agencies and entities.
- Performs related work as required.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES

Extensive knowledge of the principles and practices of landscape architecture, urban forestry management, and arboricultural techniques. Comprehensive knowledge of native, non-native, invasive and nuisance trees, shrubs and plants including soil composition, irrigation, fertilization, growth patterns, and maintenance. Knowledge of diseases and parasites detrimental to trees and appropriate treatments. Management and supervisory techniques as they relate to the Urban Forest.

Ability to prepare and present plans and programs. Ability to train or advise City personnel on related tasks and activities. Ability to present to City staff and the public.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

Bachelors Degree in horticulture, landscaping architecture, or a related field with two (3) years related work experience, or an Associate Degree in forestry, horticulture or other appropriate fields with (5) years experience in urban forestry programs, municipal landscaping, or landscape inspections. Must possess ISA Arborist Certification. Must possess LIAF Landscape Inspector's Certification. Must possess a valid, appropriate driver's license and an acceptable driving record.

A comparable amount of training and experience may be substituted for the minimum qualifications.

PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS

Must have the use of sensory skills in order to effectively communicate and interact with other employees and the public through the use of the telephone and personal contact as normally defined by the ability to see, read, talk, hear, handle or feel objects and controls. Physical capability to effectively use and operate various items of office related equipment, such as, but not limited to a personal computer, calculator, copier, and fax machine. Significant standing, walking, moving, and climbing. Some carrying, bending, kneeling, crawling, reaching, handling, pushing, and pulling. Ability to lift light to medium weight objects.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

Possession of a valid, appropriate driver's license and an acceptable driving record.

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Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.