

**Job:**                   **Tree Trimmer/Climber**

**Department:**       **Light Department**

**Pay Rate:**           **\$15.32 hour Grade 15 Step 1**

**Hours:**              **Day Hours                   Occasion Overtime Required**

**Summary:**

This is a non-supervisory, skilled position which involves the climbing, trimming, and removal of trees as needed by the Light Department. Incumbent works under supervision of the Light Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent and Line Foreman.

**Primary Responsibilities:**

- Perform skilled work in the removal of limbs and trees in areas that are impeding municipal power distribution operations
- Climb trees in order to get into position to accomplish tasks
- Ascend trees carrying the needed equipment or has the means to secure the equipment once in required position
- Is proficient in operating required tree trimming equipment such as bucket trucks, ropes, safety harnesses, various saws, etc.
- Operate backhoes, bulldozers, line trucks and other equipment
- Insure equipment is in proper working order
- Perform other functions such as chemical spraying of weeds, bush hogging, chipper operation and other duties assigned by supervision
- Stay current and proficient as to required safety training and certification
- Maintain safety practices and procedures
- Insure equipment is in proper working order
- Perform all other job related work as required

**Job Requirements:**

- Be a graduate of an accredited high school or have a GED.
- Must have a valid driver's license, and have a driving record suitable for insurability.
- Must have valid Commercial Driver License (CDL) or the ability to obtain CDL within 6 months
- Must have good reading skills and have the ability to effectively communicate in order to understand plans, manuals, directives, and receive instructions
- Willing to travel overnight to attend continuing education courses/workshops
- Must have experience in climbing poles and not be afraid of heights
- Must have knowledge of practices, methods and equipment employed in electrical power construction and supply
- Ability to analyze and evaluate situations under extreme duress
- Ability to work well with the general public and other necessary contacts

- Able to lift up to 200 pounds and physically able to perform the essential functions of the position (walking, climbing, stooping, and bending)
- Willing to work non-standard hours and overtime as required and able to respond after hours for emergencies

**Posting Dates: 10/29/2018 – 11/11/2018**

City Employees interested in this position should contact Kathy Railey at 256-329-6782. Seniority alone will not be the determining factor. Probationary Employees are not eligible to apply. Applicants must meet all requirements. External applicants may come to City Hall to fill out an application.

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