CLASS TITLE: LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT

PURPOSE OF THE CLASSIFICATION: Under direction performs professional planning and design work in the improvement and construction of City parks and recreational land and other related duties that may be assigned.

ESSENTIAL TASKS:

- Prepares working drawings, specifications, planting plans, and construction details of park projects to be implemented
- Conducts site research to investigate topography, drainage, soil type, and other existing features
- Coordinates new construction and renovation projects with division heads, private contractors, and other departments involved
- Prepares construction and planning documents, and receives consultant documents in CADD and/or miscellaneous spreadsheet and word processing formats
- Makes continual evaluation of existing facilities and makes recommendations for improvements
- Supervises the activities of employees involved in construction projects
- Makes presentations to the public and various groups interested in park development
- Prepares and revises specifications for purchases of material to be used in park construction
- Produces cost estimates
- Maintains records, files, and databases concerning parks
- Analyze all existing park playgrounds
- Must report to work on a regular and timely basis

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

QUALIFICATIONS:

<u>Training and Experience</u>: Graduation from an accredited college or university with a bachelor's degree in landscape architecture, parks administration or management, or a closely related field, and three (3) years of experience in landscape architecture or park planning work, including CADD experience. Employee will be eligible for a one step increase upon national certification as a Certified Playground Safety Inspector (CPSI) and six months of employment in the position.

Knowledge, Abilities and Skills: Considerable knowledge of the principles, practices, methods, and techniques used in landscape architecture work; considerable knowledge of CADD, spreadsheet, and word processing software in order to communicate with consultants; considerable knowledge of ornamental horticulture principles and practices; good knowledge of the theory and practice of park management; and good knowledge of the methods and materials used in light construction work. Ability to plan, coordinate, and implement short and long-range goals for park construction and improvement; ability to evaluate existing facilities and make sound recommendations for improvements; ability to use CADD, spreadsheet, and word processing software to set computer CADD standards and produce contract documents; ability to supervise the work of employees engaged in park renovation and construction projects; ability to plan, design, layout, and prepare specifications for complex landscaping projects; ability to speak effectively to large and small groups concerning park projects; and the ability to understand and influence the behavior of others within the organization, customers, or the public in order to achieve job objectives and cause action or understanding.

<u>Physical Requirements:</u> Physical requirements include arm and hand dexterity enough to use a keyboard and telephone; occasional lifting and carrying up to 20 pounds; may be subject to walking, sitting, reaching, balancing, bending, kneeling, handling, feeling, climbing, smelling, and twisting; and vision, speech, and hearing sufficient to perform the essential tasks.

<u>Licenses and Certificates</u>: Possession of an Oklahoma Landscape Architect License; and possession of national certification as a Playground Safety Inspector preferred.

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WORKING ENVIRONMENT: Working environment is primarily indoors in an office setting; and requires some travel to various City park locations to inspect natural, wooded sites for future facility construction.

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Group: Cultural, Legal and Sciences

Series: Sciences

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