



POSITION POSTING

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City of New Albany

City Forester

Purpose of Position

The city forester is responsible for the long-term care and management of city trees. The city forester is responsible for the development and application of a comprehensive tree management plan including planting, pruning, and protecting and removal programs for public trees and associated vegetation. The city forester provides training for city staff related to tree care and maintenance, oversees contracts for tree and landscape installations, conducts tree inventories and mapping, and develops and manages grants.

Qualifications

This position has a high degree of accountability. The incumbent for this position must have graduated from an accredited college, university, or technical college with a degree in Natural Resources, Forestry Management, Horticulture or related specialty. Incumbent must possess a current ISA certification; however, an ISA Municipal Arborist certification is preferred. Additionally, incumbent must possess a valid Ohio Pesticide/ Herbicide Applicators License or obtain this license within six months of hire.

The incumbent must be able to obtain and maintain an Ohio commercial driver's license, Class B with Air Brake and Tanker endorsements within twelve months of employment. Other requirements include the ability to maintain insurability under the city's vehicle insurance policy.

Summary

The city forester effectively comprehends the technical aspects of a project in a quick manner, is capable of learning a new industry or product and uses rigorous logic and methods to solve difficult problems and to identify effective solutions. The city forester is a versatile learner open to change, is a team-player and encourages collaboration. He/she is cooperative and dedicated to meeting the expectations and requirements of internal and external customers, obtaining first-hand customer information to improve products and services, and maintaining effective relationships with customers gaining their trust and respect. When working with peers, the city forester can quickly identify common ground and solve problems representing his/her own interests while being fair to other groups.

In conclusion, the city forester practices attentive and active listening, is capable of accurately restating an opinion of others even when he/she disagrees, and pursues everything with energy, optimism and drive especially in the face of resistance or setbacks.

The 2017 hourly rate range for this full-time, non-exempt position is \$23.34 to \$29.47, depending upon experience. New Albany offers a comprehensive benefit package. Email cover letter, resume, and completed application to hr@newalbanyohio.org; or, mail to HR City of New Albany, P.O. Box 188, New Albany, Ohio 43054. Internal candidates may apply by emailing a cover letter and resume to hr@newalbanyohio.org, or inter-office to Administration/HR. Position is open until filled. Questions should be directed to hr@newalbanyohio.org. Complete position description and application are available on the city's website at www.newalbanyohio.org.