CLASS TITLE: MECHANICAL ENGINEER II

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE CLASS

Under immediate supervision, the class performs entry level professional mechanical engineering work in connection with the design, installation, maintenance and inspection of mechanical equipment and systems, and performs related duties as required.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES

- Inspects mechanical systems and equipment using appropriate instrumentation and making engineering calculations to check efficiency and proper operation and documents findings
- Calibrates and monitors mechanical equipment instrumentation to ensure accurate readings and safe operation of equipment
- Prepares data for use in resource allocation and operational reports
- Orders components and parts to replace or repair broken equipment
- Inspects new equipment for conformance to design plans and specifications and makes recommendation on necessary modifications
- Performs acceptance tests on new mechanical equipment installations to ensure performance standards are met and recommends improvements where necessary
- Manages small design and construction projects and reviews technical drawings, proposed changes and contract amendments prepared by architects, engineers and contractors for accuracy and compliance with municipal codes, design standards and project specifications, and recommends changes, as required
- Monitors the installation of mechanical systems and equipment to ensure compliance with city building codes and recommends changes, as required
- Reviews payment vouchers, invoices and pay applications submitted by engineering and construction firms ensuring payment requests reflect completed work according to contract specifications
- Compiles operational reports and related documentation and submits to various regulatory agencies
- Maintains records of inspections, permits, work orders, correspondence and related documentation

NOTE: The list of essential duties is not intended to be inclusive; there may be other duties that are essential to particular positions within the class.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

Education, Training, and Experience
Graduation from an accredited college or university with a Bachelor’s degree in Mechanical Engineering or a directly related field of engineering

Licensure, Certification, or Other Qualifications
- None
WORKING CONDITIONS

- General office environment and water pumping stations
- May be exposed to inclement weather and extreme temperatures

EQUIPMENT

- Standard office equipment (e.g., telephone, printer, photocopier, fax machine, calculator)
- Computers and peripheral equipment (e.g., personal computer, computer terminals, hand-held computer)
- Mechanical calibration and testing equipment, AutoCAD system

PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS

- Ability to access mechanical systems and equipment during various stages of installation or repair

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, ABILITIES, AND OTHER WORK REQUIREMENTS

Knowledge
Some knowledge of:

- *applicable mechanical engineering theories, principles, methods, and procedures
- *mechanical system installation and maintenance methods
- * use of mechanical and hydraulic equipment
- *procedures and methods for monitoring and maintaining related equipment and instruments
- *applicable computer software packages and applications
- project management principles, methods, practices and procedures

Knowledge of applicable City and department policies, procedures, rules, regulations, and ordinances

Skills

- ACTIVE LEARNING – Understand the implications of new information for both current and future problem-solving and decision-making
- *ACTIVE LISTENING - Give full attention to what other people are saying, taking time to understand the points being made, ask questions as appropriate, and not interrupt at inappropriate times
- *SYSTEMS ANALYSIS - Determine how a system should work and how changes in conditions, operations, and the environment will affect outcomes
- *QUALITY CONTROL ANALYSIS - Conduct tests and inspections of products, services, or processes to evaluate quality or performance
- *TROUBLESHOOTING - Determine causes of operating errors and decide what to do about it

Abilities

- COMPREHEND ORAL INFORMATION - Listen to and understand information and ideas presented through spoken words and sentences
- SPEAK - Communicate information and ideas in speaking so others will understand
• COMPREHEND WRITTEN INFORMATION - Read and understand information and ideas presented in writing
• WRITE - Communicate information and ideas in writing so others will understand
• REASON TO SOLVE PROBLEMS - Apply general rules to specific problems to produce answers that make sense
• MAKE SENSE OF INFORMATION - Quickly make sense of, combine, and organize information into meaningful patterns
• REACH CONCLUSIONS - Combine pieces of information to form general rules or conclusions (includes finding a relationship among seemingly unrelated events)

All employees of the City of Chicago must demonstrate commitment to and compliance with applicable state and federal laws, and City ordinances and rules; the City’s Ethics standards; and other City policies and procedures.

The City of Chicago will consider equivalent foreign degrees, accreditations, and credentials in evaluating qualifications.

* May be required at entry.