CLASS TITLE: **Tuck Pointer**

**CHARACTERISTICS OF THE CLASS:** Under supervision, performs journey level tuck pointing work in the installation, repair and maintenance of masonry structures; and performs related duties as required.

**ESSENTIAL DUTIES:** Reads work orders to assess work required and to determine restoration and repair methods to use; ensures adequate supplies of tools, equipment and materials needed to complete jobs are at work sites; breaks up and removes damaged or deteriorated mortar from joints between stones, bricks or tile in masonry structures using grinders and power saws; mixes bonding materials ensuring new and existing mortar on masonry structures match for a consistent finish; cuts, cleans and refills joints with mortar to repair and restore masonry structures; removes excess mortar and performs a final tooling to create a smooth look; waterproofs underground masonry surfaces and applies sealants; uses specialized tools such as dry cutting and shrouded saws and pointing trowels to smooth and shape joints and replace mortar; prepares work activity reports.

**RELATED DUTIES:** Loads, transports and unloads equipment and supplies; cleans equipment and work sites after repairs.

**MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:**

**Training and Experience.** Successful completion of a US Department of Labor registered tuck pointing apprenticeship training program and journeyman status, or an equivalent combination of training and experience.

A valid State of Illinois driver’s license is required. Must have the permanent use of an automobile that is properly insured including a clause specifically insuring the City of Chicago from accident liability.

**Knowledge, Abilities and Skill.** Good knowledge of the principles, work methods and techniques of the tuck pointing trade. Good knowledge of safety practices and procedures. Good knowledge of the tools, equipment and materials used in tuck pointing work.

Physical ability to use the tools and equipment of the trade. Ability to access work areas located above or below ground level. Ability to prepare work activity reports.
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Skill in the finishing and repair of masonry work. Skill in the use of tools and equipment of the tuck pointing trade. Basic math skills. Basic oral and written communication skills.

Physical Requirements. Ability to lift and carry tools and materials weighing up to 30 pounds frequently and up to 75 pounds occasionally. Working Conditions. Unavoidable exposure to inclement weather and extreme temperatures. Work performed may require using scaffolds and ladders.

Equipment. Standard power and hand tools and equipment of the trade including tuckpointing grinders, dry cutting and shrouded saws, chisels, wire brushes and pointing trowels.

NOTE: While the list of essential duties is intended to be as inclusive as possible, there may be other duties which are essential to particular positions within the class.

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