## LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT

**DEFINITION AND PURPOSE:** Under the general direction of the District Administrator, the Landscape Architect provides professional landscape architectural services with planning, design and development of projects in connection with parks, recreation areas and District facilities. The Landscape Architect also provides plan review and contract/project management.

### **ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS:**

Responsibilities and duties include, but are not limited to the following:

- Provides services as a project manager on approved projects
- · Inspects or directs inspection of developed projects
- Negotiates, administers contracts and acts as a liaison with consulting project architects, engineers and contractors
- Participates in the preparation of environmental documents, including working with environmental consultants and District staff
- Reviews plans and construction documents for conformance with project objectives in construction, maintenance and cost limitations
- Provide recommendations and technical advice to the District Administrator and department managers
- Provides technical advice on landscape maintenance projects, including the selection, planting and preservation of trees, shrubs and grasses
- Assists in the District's preparation of its annual budget, including C.I.P. estimates and operations and management
- On an as required basis, assist with or write grants
- Coordinates and cooperates with Facilities and Grounds Manager in providing staff needed with special projects
- Responsible for attending all meetings associated with this position, including evening board meetings. Preparation of charts, maps and plans for presentations at these meetings
- Prepares and develops landscape architectural plans, construction documents and cost estimates for the development or improvement of parks, recreational facilities and District buildings
- Coordinating the preparation and development of complex site plans and design of landscape development projects
- Coordinates and directs surveying, mapping and other data collection

### **NON-ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS:**

- Designs and prepares contract documents in Auto CAD format
- Other duties as assigned

# **KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES**

Innovation and creativity; have knowledge of the following: theories, principles and practices common to landscape architecture at parks and community centers; principles and practices common to project management for California Public Agencies, including plan review, negotiations, inspections, working with CEQA, State, City, County and ADA regulations, public contract law concepts; strong communication skills, both orally and in writing; analyze and resolve unusual situations through application of District policy; meet the public in situations requiring diplomacy and tact; establish and maintain cooperative working relationships with District

employees, contractors, user groups, volunteers and the general public; ability to work with the District Board of Directors.

### **EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS AND QUALIFYING EXPERIENCES**

<u>Education:</u> Equivalent to a Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university with major course work in landscape architecture or related field **AND** 

**Experience:** at least 3 years of full-time landscape architectural experience AND

License or certificate: Possession of a valid California registered landscape architect license.

Must possess and maintain a valid California C driver's license and a satisfactory driving record based upon specific program needs.

Position requires fingerprint and background check per Section 5164 of the Public Resource Code. Conviction of certain criminal offenses may prohibit employment.

## **WORK ENVIRONMENT**

Position requires sitting, standing, walking, reaching, twisting, turning, kneeling, bending, stooping, squatting and making repetitive hand movements in the performance of daily duties. The position also requires both near and far vision when reviewing plans, documents, inspecting work and operating a computer. The need to lift, carry and push tools, equipment and supplies weighing up to 50 pounds is sometimes required. The position requires working in both an indoor, temperature controlled office environment and in outdoor environments in all weather conditions including wet, hot and cold and be exposed to heavy dust and pollen. The noise level of the indoor setting is usually quiet. The noise level of the outdoor setting can be loud, especially when working around construction and maintenance equipment.

Position requires both day and evening hours, and may include weekend shifts.

**COMPENSATION:** Salaried exempt non-union position for full-time; hourly non-exempt non-union position for part-time.

Wage rate range

\$46.96 - \$63.02

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