



CITY OF RIDGEFIELD
Invites applications for the position of:

**UTILITIES MAINTENANCE WORKER II
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT**

SALARY RANGE: \$27.37-36.04/Hourly

CLOSING DATE: Position is open until filled. FIRST REVIEW on February 14, 2022

CITY OF RIDGEFIELD

Located in northern Clark County approximately 10 miles north of Vancouver, WA and 14 miles north of Portland, OR, Ridgefield is a rapidly growing community - the fastest growing in Washington State. The City encompasses nearly seven square miles, has a population of approximately 11,500, and offers a great community to live and work. Ridgefield's rolling hills, the picturesque Ridgefield National Wildlife Refuge, and historic downtown create a welcoming small town feel. And, the area offers an outstanding quality of life with affordable housing, excellent schools, extraordinary outdoor recreation opportunities, a rich history, a mild climate, wineries, unique shopping, restaurants, and much more.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

This position is in the Public Works Department and reports to the Utilities Supervisor. The Public Works Department oversees the design, construction, operation and maintenance of all City-owned infrastructure. This includes streets, sidewalks, water, stormwater, parks, and the city cemetery. The City's growth and mission of the Public Works Department will create varied and interesting tasks and a challenging career opportunity for a qualified professional who would like to make a difference in an active community.

POSITION DESCRIPTION

This position performs routine duties for the operation and maintenance of major components of the City water supply, storage and distribution systems. Works with field crew personnel and performs skilled work in construction, maintenance, and related service activities. Specific duties may include:

- Operate and maintains the water supply, storage, and distribution systems, including water wells, chlorination facility, conveyance/distribution lines, pumping stations, and storage facilities.
- Operate a variety of tools and equipment, including pipeline, water main tapping equipment, jackhammer, tamper, track mounted and rubber tire excavators, and dump trucks.
- Perform all water service connections, repairs, and testing to ensure protection of the potable water system.
- Perform underground location of public-owned utilities for contractors, utilities, and citizens, when needed.
- Complete a preventative maintenance program, including valve exercising, main flushing, pump maintenance, etc.
- Report all spills and other reportable irregularities, malfunctions, or errors to the Utility Supervisor.

The Utilities Maintenance Worker job is a full time, regular, non-exempt position with a normal work schedule of 40 hours per week and on-call responsibilities on some weekends. The position is covered under the terms of the collective bargaining agreement between Teamsters Local 58 and the City of Ridgefield.

EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

The City of Ridgefield offers a comprehensive benefits package which includes family and domestic partner health benefits such as medical, dental and vision. Coverage is provided through Regence Blue Cross Blue Shield. Other benefits include an Employee Assistance Program, long-term disability, paid holidays, vacation and sick leave. Retirement benefits are provided through Washington State Retirement System.

QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

Any combination of experience and education which provides the applicant with the level of required knowledge and abilities may be considered.

1. **Education:** High School education and/or equivalent work experience.
2. **Experience:** Three years' experience in the operation and maintenance of water systems.
3. **Certifications/Licenses:**
 - Valid Washington State driver's license with a driving record free from serious or frequent violations.
 - Possess or have the ability to obtain within six (6) months of employment: A Washington State Commercial Driver's License (Class B) with Tanker and Air Brake Endorsements; an Industrial First Aid/CPR Card and a Flagging and Traffic Control Card.
 - Possess or have the ability to obtain within one (1) year of employment: Water Treatment Plant Operator I and Water Distribution Manager I.
 - Complete the following training within one (1) year of employment: Blood Borne Pathogens, Defensive Driving, Confined Space, Fall Protection, Fire Extinguisher and Evacuation, and Trenching and Shoring.
4. **Knowledge, Skills and Abilities** to perform the essential functions of the job including but not limited to safety procedures and regulations.

Individuals are expected to work in a manner consistent with the City of Ridgefield's Team Philosophy; work and act as a team player in all interactions with other City employees; provide a high level of customer service at all times; project and maintain a positive image with those contacted in the course of work; develop and maintain collaborative and respectful working relationships.

WORKING CONDITIONS

Work is performed primarily outdoors. Work may likely expose the employee to inclement weather and safety hazards such as falling objects, heavy equipment, power tools, noise and vibration, dust and dirt, fumes and odors, and uneven or rough terrain. Frequent travel between sites is required, which exposes the employee to the hazards associated with travel by vehicle.

PHYSICAL DEMANDS

- The work is heavy work which requires exerting up to 50 pounds of force occasionally, up to 25 pounds frequently, and/or up to 10 pounds of force constantly to move objects.

- Must possess the visual ability to see clearly at close (less than 20 inches) and far (20 feet or more) distances, identify and distinguish colors, observe an area that can be seen up and down or the left and right while eyes are fixed on a given point, judge distances and spatial relationships, and adjust the eye to bring an object into sharp focus.
- Additionally, the following physical abilities are required: standing, walking, sitting, using hands and fingers to handle or feel, reaching with hands and arms, climbing, balancing, stooping, kneeling, crouching, crawling, talking, hearing, and smelling.

HOW TO APPLY:

Interested candidates must submit the following materials:

1. A completed Application for Employment.
2. A cover letter explaining why the candidate is interested in the job position, strengths and weaknesses in the job, and a short summary of why the candidate is qualified for the position.

The Application for Employment can be submitted on-line at: <https://ridgefieldwa.us/government/job-opportunities>.

The final candidate will be required to successfully complete an interview process and background investigation.

More information about the Public Works Department and job opportunities are available on the City's website at www.ridgefieldwa.us or by calling Human Resources at 360-887-3557.

The City of Ridgefield is an equal opportunity employer committed to attracting and retaining a diverse mix of talented people who want to come, grow, and do their best work here. Together, we strive to create and maintain a working environment that is inclusive, equitable, welcoming and that provides the best possible services for our community.

This announcement is meant only as a general descriptive recruitment guide. It does not constitute either an expressed or implied contract and is not a complete description of the job.