

The Blue Springs Parks and Recreation Department is seeking a highly self-motivated experienced professional to direct and manage the overall Parks, Open Space and Buildings Division directing the maintenance, rehabilitation and repurposing of all City-owned facilities, buildings and grounds including all Parks and Recreation facilities.

Blue Springs, MO is a suburb of Kansas City, MO sitting on the eastern city limits and is a community of approximately 55,000 residents. The Department has been in the process of revitalizing parks and facilities over the last four years, investing over \$15 million in improvements to current park facilities within the community. In April 2021, residents approved a sales tax dedicated to park improvements, parkland development and operation subsidy. The measure passed with an 80% yes vote, demonstrating the support the community has for the Parks and Recreation Department and the improvements made over the last five years. Over the next ten years the department will undergo a major transformation investing over \$40 million to include construction of a new aquatic facility, a new 45-acre community park and innovative improvements to playgrounds, trails, shelters, athletic fields, and several other park amenities.

This position will play a vital role in the improvements scheduled to occur along with maintaining our current park system. The department is seeking someone with a vision of excellence and a desire to motivate staff to the same level. Candidates should demonstrate the ability to critically problem solve, set work expectations and daily goals for staff, develop maintenance standards, and lead a diverse work force to achieve division and department goals.

This unique career opportunity offers the successful candidate to be part of a total department transformation provides endless opportunities for personal and professional development.

The normal work schedule for this position is Monday through Friday from 7:00 to 4:00 p.m. and requires flexibility to work some evenings, weekends and holidays.

Minimum Qualifications: CPRP preferred; Associates degree is the minimum educational requirement but a Bachelor's degree from an accredited four-year college or university in Recreation, or a related field is preferred; and five years of progressively responsible experience; or any combination of education, training and experience which provides the required knowledge, skills and abilities to perform the essential functions of the job.

The City provides a generous fringe benefit package including medical, dental, life and retirement plans. To view the job class specification, summary of benefits and to apply, log onto www.bluespringsgov.com/jobs. A City of Blue Springs application is required.