Building Inspector 2

Category: Classified
Pay Grade: C24
Job Code: 12170

To perform this job successfully, an individual must be able to perform the essential job functions satisfactorily. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the primary job functions herein described. Since every duty associated with this position may not be described herein, employees may be required to perform duties not specifically spelled out in the job description, but which may be reasonably considered to be incidental in the performing of their duties just as though they were actually written out in this job description.

**JOB SUMMARY**
Performs technical work enforcing building and structural installation codes and regulations; inspects and tests buildings and structural installations or office work reviewing and interpreting approved plans and specifications for compliance with County building codes and regulations; protects the public against hazards caused by defective materials and workmanship in building constructions.

**ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS (examples, not all inclusive)**
- Checks each project for defects, omissions, violations, and other departures from correct procedure and County building codes;
- Makes technical inspections of signs, new buildings, and structural installations or modification of old building constructions;
- Interprets and approves plans for compliance;
- Issues notice of non-compliance where work is not correct and directs to the attention of the Chief Building Inspector;
- Inspects all work upon completion and signs permit giving final approval for the County that the work is safe for life and property;
- Makes routine and periodic inspections of area assigned to check for violations and hazardous conditions;
- Investigates complaints of defective building installations reported as safety hazards, makes re-inspections as directed, and reports violations;
- Performs building tests on equipment and materials as directed;
- Plans inspection routes;
- May assist in the initial training of lower level Building Inspectors;
- May perform data entry and retrieval functions in researching violations and scheduling inspections;
- Performs other related job duties as assigned.

**QUALIFICATIONS**

**Education and Experience:**
Must possess valid certification as a Building Inspector as recognized by the State of Florida (Certificate) and five (5) years of experience as a trades foreman, contractor, or at a similar supervisory level, or three (3) years as a building inspector; or certification and an Associate’s degree in an engineering, planning, construction, or related field, or completion of a two (2) year vocational or technical diploma or certification in a related field and three (3) years as a building inspector; or certification and a Bachelor’s degree in civil engineering, construction, or related field and one (1) year as a building inspector; or an equivalent combination of education, training, and/or experience.
**Special Qualifications** (May be required depending on area of assignment):

- Florida Driver's License or Florida Commercial Driver's License and endorsement, if any.
- Assignment to work a variety of work schedules including compulsory work periods in special, emergency, and/or disaster situations.
- Candidate must obtain a Florida Plans Examiner Certificate within two (2) years of employment and maintain the related continuing education as required by Florida.
- Other knowledge, skills, abilities, and credentials required for a specific position.

**Knowledge, Skills and Abilities:**

- Knowledge of the methods and materials involved in building construction and of standard building testing devices;
- Knowledge of possible defects and faults in construction or hazardous conditions and of effective corrective measures;
- Knowledge of the regulations governing building construction in the unincorporated areas of the County.
- Ability to read and interpret building construction plans and specifications, and to recognize deviations from such plans in the construction process;
- Ability to apply computer applications and software;
- Ability to diagnose defects and hazards in old and new building construction and enforce specifications and regulations firmly, tactfully, and impartially;
- Ability to express oneself clearly and concisely, orally and in writing;
- Ability to keep records and to prepare and submit reports;
- Ability to complete the continuing education required by the state.

**PHYSICAL/MENTAL DEMANDS**

This is medium work which requires exerting up to 50 pounds of force occasionally, and/or up to 30 pounds of force frequently, and/or up to 10 pounds of force constantly to move objects. Additionally, the following physical abilities are required:

- **Balancing:** Maintaining body equilibrium to prevent falling while walking, standing or crouching on narrow, slippery, or erratically moving surfaces. The amount of balancing exceeds that needed for ordinary locomotion and maintenance of body equilibrium.
- **Climbing:** Ascending or descending ladders, stairs, scaffolding, ramps, poles and the like, using feet and legs and/or hands and arms. Body agility is emphasized.
- **Crawling:** Moving about on hands and knees or hands and feet.
- **Crouching:** Bending the body downward and forward by bending leg and spine.
- **Feeling:** Perceiving attributes of objects, such as size, shape, temperature or texture by touching with skin, particularly that of fingertips.
- **Fingering:** Picking, pinching, typing, or otherwise working, primarily with fingers rather than with the whole hand as in handling.
- **Grasping:** Applying pressure to an object with the fingers and palm.
- **Handling:** Picking, holding, or otherwise working, primarily with the whole hand.
- **Kneeling:** Bending legs at knee to come to a rest on knee or knees.
- **Lifting:** Raising objects from a lower to a higher position or moving objects horizontally from position-to-position. Occurs to a considerable degree and requires substantial use of upper extremities and back muscles.
- **Pulling:** Using upper extremities to exert force in order to draw, haul or tug objects in a sustained motion.
- **Pushing:** Using upper extremities to press against something with steady force in order to thrust forward, downward or outward.
- **Reaching:** Extending hand(s) and arm(s) in any direction.
- **Visual ability:** sufficient to effectively operate office equipment including copier, computer, etc.; and to read and write reports, correspondence, instructions, etc.
- **Hearing ability:** sufficient to hold a conversation with other individuals both in person and over a telephone; and to hear recording on transcription device.
- **Speaking ability:** sufficient to communicate effectively with other individuals in person and over a telephone.
- **Mental Acuity:** Ability to make rational decisions through sound logic and deductive processes.
• Stooping: Bending body downward and forward by bending spine at the waist. Occurs to a considerable degree and requires full motion of the lower extremities and back muscles.
• Talking: Expressing or exchanging ideas by means of the spoken word including those activities in which they must convey detailed or important spoken instructions to other workers accurately, loudly, or quickly.
• Repetitive Motion: Substantial movements (motions) of the wrist, hands, and/or fingers.
• Standing: Particularly for sustained periods of time.
• Walking: Moving about on foot to accomplish tasks, particularly for long distances or moving from one work site to another.

**WORKING CONDITIONS**

Work is performed in an environment where errors can lead to significant physical or mental consequences for self or others.