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## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, PARKS & STREETS

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### **CIVIL SERVICE JOB OPENING**

July 15, 2021

Title of Position: Head Grower  
Number of Vacancies: One (1) – Provisional  
Salary Range: \$33,074 - \$50,374  
Location: Division of Parks

#### **DUTIES:**

Propagates a wide variety of flowering plants;  
-conducts greenhouse cultivation and transplanting operations;  
-prepares, mixes, fertilizes and conditions soil for various types of flowers and plants;  
Monitors greenhouse conditions, i.e.; temperature, humidity, ventilation, light and water requirements for plants;  
Diagnoses plant pests, diseases and other deteriorating agents;  
- takes appropriate steps for their eradication;  
Designs and plants flowerbeds at designated areas;  
Applies landscaping techniques and methods to circles, monuments, triangles, center strips and flower beds;  
-maintains and has sole responsibility for upkeep of same;  
Works with block clubs, public and private companies, planting contests, school groups, steering committees, etc. to promote and beautify the City of Buffalo;  
Maintains records of all plants issued from the greenhouse for park planting;  
Maintains written records of plant production and supplies;  
Performs related work as required.

#### **MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS**

##### **Promotional**

Continuous and permanent status in any city department as a Greenskeeper or Grower for one year.

##### **Open Competitive:**

(A) Associate's Degree from an accredited college or university in Horticulture or Landscaping Developing or a closely related field;

OR

(B) Graduation from High School, GED or Equivalency Diploma and two years of full-time horticulture experience;

OR

(C) An equivalent combination as defined within the limits of A and B.



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### **HEAD GROWER #8541 (cont'd.)**

#### **NOTE**

- For the purpose of this examination, **HORTICULTURE** is defined as the cultivation of an orchard, garden or nursery on a small or large scale: the science and art of growing fruits, vegetables, flowers or ornamental plants.
- Experience such as general yard, lawn and garden care is **not** acceptable.
- Verifiable part-time experience will be pro-rated to meet full-time experience requirements.

All applicants must submit their resumes and specifically detail all experience to Jacqueline (Skipper) Barnett, 65 Niagara Sq., 511 City Hall, Buffalo, NY 14202 or by email at [jskipper@city-buffalo.com](mailto:jskipper@city-buffalo.com) by Friday, July 30, 2021.

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