CLASS SPECIFICATION
SAN DIEGO CITY CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

LANDFILL EQUIPMENT OPERATOR

DEFINITION:
Under general supervision, to operate complex heavy industrial motive equipment at the City’s
Landfills; and to perform related work.

DISTINGUISHING CHARACTERISTICS:
This class is distinguished from Equipment Operator III in the greater degree of equipment
complexity and additional skills required. Equipment typically used by Landfill Equipment
Operators includes: heavy class bulldozers such as the Kamatsu D155-A, Caterpillar D-8’s, D-
9’s or similar types, Caterpillar 631 or larger self-loading motor scrapers, motor graders,
compactors, tractor scrapers, grade-alls and other equipment of comparable difficulty.

* EXAMPLES OF DUTIES:

- Operates complex heavy industrial motive equipment used at the City’s Landfills;
- Moves, covers and compacts refuse;
- Hauls and dumps dirt for refuse cover material;
- Sets up intermediate grade stakes in laying out a sanitary landfill;
- Excavates trenches;
- Lifts, moves and lowers miscellaneous heavy materials;
- Makes minor repairs and adjustments to equipment;
- Prepares reports concerning equipment usage and necessary repairs;
- Trains and leads the work of assigned personnel.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:
Please note: the minimum qualifications stated below are a guide for determining the education,
training, experience, special skills, and/or license which may be required for employment in the
class. These are re-evaluated each time the position is opened for recruitment. Please refer to
the most recent Job Announcement for updated minimum qualifications.

One year of experience operating a heavy class bulldozer and a self-loading motor scraper; OR
two years of experience operating a medium class bulldozer or compactor and self-loading
motor scraper at a sanitary landfill; OR two years of experience as an Equipment Operator II or
III with the City of San Diego. Possession of a valid California Class A or B Driver’s License and
a current Department of Motor Vehicles Medical Certificate dated within the last two years.

* EXAMPLES OF DUTIES performed by employees in this class. The list may not include all
required duties, nor are all listed tasks necessarily performed by everyone in this class.