THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE
CIVIL SERVICE
JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

Civil Service Department, Suite 569, City County Bldg, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, TN 37902 (865) 215-2106. Web: www.knoxvilletn.gov

1022 Office Assistant II 4/29/2021
(Entry-Level and Promotional)
Police Department
Drug testing may be required

ENTRY-LEVEL SALARY: $28,667.00 annually
PAY GRADE RANGE: $28,667.00-$41,022.00 annually (Pay Grade 3)
The City of Knoxville requires as a condition of employment that all newly employed individuals, former employees that have been re-hired, or employees promoted to a new classification will receive their paychecks by way of automatic direct deposit.
Starting and promotional salaries will be determined based upon applicant qualifications and in accordance with Civil Service Merit Board Rules and Regulations.
The City of Knoxville only accepts online applications. To apply, go to http://www.knoxvilletn.gov/jobs. You must complete ALL APPLICABLE SECTIONS of the application. DO NOT LEAVE SECTIONS BLANK SIMPLY BECAUSE THAT INFORMATION APPEARS ON YOUR RESUME. Doing so could result in your application being deemed incomplete. If you need assistance submitting an application, you may visit the Civil Service office at the address listed above.

The following documents MUST be submitted online by 4:30 p.m. on: Monday, May 10, 2021.

• Completed City of Knoxville Online Application
• Detailed Resume (upload and attach to your online application)
• If you have questions regarding your application or need help applying, please email mbfoster@knoxvilletn.gov before the posting deadline.

JOB DESCRIPTION: Please See Attached Position Description

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

Unless stated otherwise, applicants must possess and/or meet the following minimum requirements prior to the application deadline.

• Current City Employees may apply, but must have completed initial Civil Service probationary period and must have received a satisfactory performance rating on their last evaluation to receive promotional preference.
• Graduation from a standard high school or equivalent.
• One year of experience in secretarial, clerical, and general office duties of routine difficulty
• May require a demonstrated ability to type a minimum of 35 words per minute.

EXAMINATION

Applicants meeting the minimum qualifications will be scheduled for the written test (100% of final score). Sections on the written exam will include: Office Procedures, Computer Equipment & Procedures, Business Grammar & Spelling, Filing, Mathematical Applications, Public Relations, Effective Oral & Written Communication, Proofreading, Business Knowledge & Understanding, Working Relationships.

Note: Background checks will be conducted.

AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER/DRUG FREE WORKPLACE

The City of Knoxville does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, creed, national origin, sex, religion, age, veteran status, disability, gender identity, genetic information, or sexual orientation in employment opportunities.
POSITION DESCRIPTION
City of Knoxville

Class Title: Office Assistant II
Working Title: same
PCN: 04356
Incumbent: vacant
Created: June 24, 2008
Updated: July 20, 2016

GENERAL DESCRIPTION
Under general supervision, primarily responsible for providing skilled secretarial/clerical support to the Police Department of the City of Knoxville. Performs a variety of secretarial/clerical office functions such as providing information to visitors/callers, using a computer to enter data, creating and maintaining records and reports, preparing correspondence, etc. Performs related duties as required.

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS
Greets office visitors, ascertains the nature of their visit, and directs them to appropriate individuals or locations; answers questions and provides information to the public, department officials, employees, etc. regarding a variety of business-related topics, departmental activities or programs, office procedures, etc; receives complaints and attempts to resolve them, or directs complaining party to appropriate individual; otherwise establishes and maintains effective working relationships with co-workers, superiors, the public, etc.

Answers office telephones, routes calls to appropriate individuals and takes messages as required; telephones various individuals to request information, relay messages, confirm appointments, etc; answers questions and provides information by telephone to the public, department officials, employees, etc. regarding a variety of business-related topics; maintains two-way radio contacts as needed, etc.

Uses a computer to enter and retrieve data regarding the activities of the Police Department; verifies accuracy and completeness of information by comparing physical documents with computer data; resolves discrepancies as necessary.

Uses a computer to type correspondence, reports, and other documents from handwritten rough draft or corrected copy; recommends or provides appropriate changes or corrections in spelling, grammar, and punctuation; types file labels, addresses on envelopes, information on forms, or other types of straight typing as required.

Operates common office machines such as calculator, copier, fax machine, etc; collates and distributes various documents to departmental personnel; opens, stamps-in and routes incoming mail; prepares outgoing mail and arranges for express or overnight delivery as needed; takes inventory of office supplies and materials; may order supplies as needed.

Files a variety of correspondence, records and other business documents alphabetically, numerically or chronologically according to established filing systems; retrieves files or information from files as necessary to conduct daily business; disposes of obsolete files as appropriate; otherwise maintains files kept by the department.

Completes a variety of standardized forms, records, and reports; performs basic mathematical calculations in order to compute totals and/or verify information contained in forms, records, reports or other documents; proofreads narrative and numerical information on records, forms and reports in order to ensure accuracy; establishes and maintains a variety of computer (data base) records regarding departmental activities.

MARGINAL FUNCTIONS
Performs related duties as required.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES
Knowledge of modern office practices and procedures.
Knowledge of computer operations and software applications.
Knowledge of proper English usage, grammar, spelling, punctuation, etc.
Knowledge of filing systems and methods of data cross-reference.
Knowledge of basic arithmetic computations.
Knowledge of format and content of technical reports
Knowledge of research techniques.
Ability to deal courteously with people.
Ability to communicate effectively--both orally and in writing.
Ability to isolate deficiencies and clerical errors in office correspondence and documents.
KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES (cont.)
Ability to obtain an understanding of the organization, programs, and procedures related to the work of the supervisor or office unit.
Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with the public and coworkers.

PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS
This position consists of primarily sedentary work, requiring the incumbent to exert up to 10 pounds of force occasionally, or a lower amount of force frequently, in order to lift/carry, push/pull or otherwise move objects. The job involves sitting most of the time, but may involve walking or standing for brief periods of time. A description of the specific physical requirements associated with this position is maintained on file in the Civil Service office for review upon request.

MENTAL REQUIREMENTS
Uses relevant principles and procedures to solve practical problems and to deal with a variety of concrete variables where only limited standardization exists. A description of the specific mental requirements associated with this position is maintained on file in the Civil Service office for review upon request.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS
High school diploma or GED equivalent, including or supplemented by courses in typing.
One year of experience in secretarial, clerical, and general office duties of routine difficulty
Demonstrated ability to type a minimum of 35 words per minute.

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS
The hiring authority may give preference to applicants possessing some college-level course work in office administration, business, secretarial science, or related fields.