

AGENDA



Thursday, October 2, 2008

**Fire
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 4**

Subject: Approve an ordinance establishing classifications and positions in the classified service of the Austin Fire Department and repeal Ordinance No. 080908-7. This ordinance also establishes base salary and longevity by the attached pay scales.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is included in the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Operating Budget of the Austin Fire Department.

Fiscal Note: There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

For More Information: Jim Evans, Acting Fire Chief, 974-0132; Amy Singer, Chief Administrative Officer, 974-4120.

Prior Council Action: Classification Ordinance No. 20080908-007 adopted by Council on September 8, 2008.

This ordinance repeals the classification ordinance adopted by Council on September 8, 2008 and establishes all positions in the classified service of the Austin Fire Department. In addition, this ordinance also establishes base salary and longevity by the attached pay scales currently in effect.

The classification and number in each classification remain unchanged from the September 8, 2008 Council action. However, with the expiration of the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City of Austin and the Austin Firefighters Association on September 30, 2008, Council action is necessary establish the base salary and longevity rates for firefighters.

The civil service classifications of the Fire Department and the number of positions in each classification are established as follows:

- Assistant Chief – 4
- Division Chief – 5
- Battalion Chief – 31
- Captain – 69
- Lieutenant – 177
- Specialist – 196
- Firefighter – 597

Once a new collective bargaining agreement is adopted, Council will be asked to approve any revisions to the base salary and longevity rates.