

ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING CLASSIFICATIONS AND POSITIONS IN THE CLASSIFIED SERVICE OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, ELIMINATING AND CREATING THE NUMBER OF POSITIONS IN CERTAIN RANKS, ESTABLISHING PAY RATES AND REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 20081120-020 RELATING TO FIRE DEPARTMENT CLASSIFICATIONS AND POSITIONS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

PART 1. The Council makes the following findings:

- (A) The City adopted Texas Local Government Code Chapter 143 (*Municipal Civil Service*), which applies to members of the classified service in the Fire Department.
- (B) Chapter 143 (*Municipal Civil Service*) provides that the City Council shall establish the classifications for the Fire Department and the number of positions in each classification.
- (C) The Fire Department recommends the elimination and creation of certain classified positions to improve the delivery of services and increase efficiency in the Fire Department.

PART 2. The civil service classifications of the Fire Department and the number of positions in each classification are established as follows:

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| (A) Assistant Chief | 5 |
| (B) Division Chief | 5 |
| (C) Battalion Chief | 30 |
| (D) Captain | 69 |
| (E) Lieutenant | 177 |
| (F) Fire Specialist | 196 |
| (G) Firefighter | 597 |

PART 3. The number of positions in the classification of Assistant Chief in Part 2 of this ordinance is an increase of two from the number in existence immediately before the effective date of this ordinance.

PART 4. The number of positions in the classification of Battalion Chief in Part 2 of this ordinance is a decrease of one from the number in existence immediately before the effective state of this ordinance.

PART 5. The number of positions in the classification of Firefighter in Part 2 of this ordinance is an decrease of one from the number in existence immediately before the effective date of this ordinance.

PART 5. The base pay schedule and longevity rates, attached hereto, are fully incorporated in this ordinance and are adopted for each civil service classification in the Fire Department.

PART 6. Ordinance No. 20081120-20 is repealed.

PART 7. The Council finds that the need to maintain the Fire Department classified service and the base pay schedule and longevity rates of Austin firefighters, thereby maintaining appropriate emergency services, constitutes an emergency. Because of this emergency, this ordinance takes effect immediately on its passage for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety.

PASSED AND APPROVED

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Will Wynn
Mayor

APPROVED: _____
David Allan Smith
City Attorney

ATTEST: _____
Shirley A. Gentry
City Clerk