

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING CLASSIFICATIONS AND POSITIONS IN THE CLASSIFIED SERVICE OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT; ELIMINATING AND CREATING POSITIONS; ESTABLISHING PAY RATES; REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 20090914-006 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 delivery of fire services and to increase efficiency.

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 | 33 |
| (D) Captain | 69 |
| (E) Lieutenant | 177 |
| (F) Fire Specialist | 196 |
| (G) Firefighter | 589 |

PART 3. The number of positions in the classification of Firefighter in Part 2 of this ordinance is a decrease of three from the number in existence immediately before the effective date of this ordinance.

PART 4. The number of positions in the classification of Assistant Chief is an increase of one from the number in existence immediately before the effective date of this ordinance.

PART 5. The number of positions in the classification of Battalion Chief is an increase of two from the number in existence immediately before the effective date of this ordinance.

PART 6. Ordinance 20090914-006 is repealed.

PART 7. 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 8. The Council finds that the need to improve services in the ranks of Battalion Chief and Assistant Chief, as well as the need to promote in other lesser ranks that will be affected by these promotions, constitutes an emergency. Because of this emergency, Parts 1 through 6 and 8 of this Ordinance take effect immediately upon its passage for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety. Part 7 of this Ordinance takes effect on October 1, 2009.

PASSED AND APPROVED

_____, 2009

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Lee Leffingwell
Mayor

APPROVED: _____
David Allan Smith
City Attorney

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Shirley A. Gentry
City Clerk