



Recommendation for Action

File #: 21-2668, **Agenda Item #:** 7.

8/13/2021

Posting Language

Approve an ordinance establishing classifications and positions in the classified service of the Emergency Medical Services Department; creating and eliminating certain positions; and repealing Ordinance No. 20200812-005 relating to Emergency Medical Services Department classifications and positions.

Lead Department

Fiscal Note

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Operating Budget of the Emergency Medical Services Department.

Prior Council Action:

August 12, 2020 - Classification Ordinance No. 20200812-005 was adopted by Council.

For More Information:

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Additional Backup Information:

This ordinance repeals Ordinance No. 20200812-005 and establishes authorized strength at 661 and the number of positions at each rank of the Emergency Medical Services Department effective October 1, 2021. Of the total authorized strength of 616: one Captain-Field position, six Clinical Specialist-Field positions, and five Medic-Field positions take effect on September 30, 2022.

The number of positions in the Assistant Chief classification is increasing by one and the number of positions in Commander-Field classification is decreasing by one from the number in existence immediately before the effective date of this ordinance; to provide additional oversight to major expansions in programs.

The number of positions in Captain-Field classification is increasing by two from the number in existence immediately before the effective date of this ordinance; one to staff a Travis County demand unit and one for a new station.

The number of positions in Clinical Specialist-Field classification is increasing by eight from the number in existence immediately before the effective date of this ordinance; two to staff a Travis County demand unit and six for a new station.

The number of positions in Medic-Field classification is increasing by eight from the number in existence immediately before the effective date of this ordinance; three to staff a Travis County demand unit and five for a new station.

Strategic Outcome(s):

Safety.