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Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council	Item ID	41512	Agenda Number	5.
Meeting Date:	3/26/2015		Department:	Austin Fire Department
Subject				
Approve an ordinance establishing classifications and positions in the classified service of the Austin Fire Department; creating and eliminating certain positions and repealing Ordinance No. 20140908-004 relating to the Austin Fire Department classifications and positions.				
Amount and Source of Funding				
Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Operating Budget of the Austin Fire Department.				
Fiscal Note				
A fiscal note is not required.				
Purchasing Language:				
Prior Council Action:	September 8, 2014 - Classification Ordinance No. 20140908-004 was adopted by Council.			
For More Information:	Tom Dodds, Chief of Staff, 974-0132; Ronnelle Paulsen, Assistant Director, 974-5315.			
Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:	To be reviewed by the Public Safety Committee on April 1, 2015			
MBE / WBE:				
Related Items:				
Additional Backup Information				
This ordinance repeals the classification ordinance adopted by Council on September 8, 2014 and establishes all positions in the classified service of the Austin Fire Department.				
The number of positions in the Division Chief classification is increasing by two (2) from the number in existence immediately before the effective date of this ordinance. One Division Chief will be assigned to the Operations Division to provide management over the Special Operations, Airport, Medical Operations, and Safety Operations Sections. The second Division Chief will be assigned to the Prevention Division to provide management over the Wildfire and Community Outreach Divisions. The number of positions in the Fire Specialist classification is increasing by five (5) from the number in existence immediately before the effective date of this ordinance. The Fire Specialists will replace vacant Firefighter positions assigned to Recruiting (2), Community Outreach (1), Medical Operations (1), and Fleet Maintenance (1). Funding for the upgrade in rank from Battalion Chief to Division Chief, from Firefighter to Division Chief, and from Firefighter (5) to Fire Specialist (5) is available in the Austin Fire Department’s Fiscal Year 2004-2015 Operating Budget.				
The civil service classification of the Austin Fire Department and the number of positions in each classification are established as follows:				
Assistant Chief 5				
Division Chief 8				
Battalion Chief 33				
Captain 71				
Lieutenant 185				
Fire Specialist 201				
Firefighter 626				