



Recommendation for Action

File #: 22-2690, **Agenda Item #:** 6.

8/17/2022

Posting Language

Approve an ordinance establishing classifications and positions in the classified service of the Austin Fire Department; creating certain positions; and repealing Ordinance No. 20210811-003 relating to Fire Department classifications and positions.

Fiscal Note

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Operating Budget of the Austin Fire Department.

Prior Council Action:

August 11, 2021 - Classification Ordinance No. 20210811-003 was adopted by Council.

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Additional Backup Information:

This ordinance repeals Ordinance No. 20210811-003 and establishes authorized strength at 1,266 and the number of positions at each rank of the Austin Fire Department effective October 1, 2022.

The number of authorized positions in the Lieutenant classification is an increase of eight from the number in existence immediately before the effective date of this ordinance. The purpose of this increase is to staff additional Inspectors in the Fire Marshal's Office.

The number of authorized positions in the Captain classification is an increase of one from the number in existence immediately before the effective date of this ordinance. The purpose of this increase is to staff coordination of Fire Department-related Persons Experiencing Homelessness projects.

The civil service classifications 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		37
Captain		73
Lieutenant	224	
Fire Specialist		225
Firefighter	694.	

Strategic Outcome(s):

Safety