



Recommendation for Action

File #: 23-2284, **Agenda Item #:** 9.

8/16/2023

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. 20220817-006 relating to Fire Department classifications and positions.

Fiscal Note

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Operating Budget of the Austin Fire Department.

Prior Council Action:

August 17, 2022 - Classification ordinance No. 20220817-006 was adopted by Council.

For More Information:

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Additional Backup Information:

This ordinance repeals Ordinance No. 20220817-006 and establishes authorized strength at 1,282 and the number of positions at each rank of the Austin Fire Department, effective October 1, 2023.

The number of authorized positions in the Lieutenant classification is an increase of three from the number in existence immediately before the effective date of this ordinance. The number of authorized positions in the Fire Specialist classification is an increase of three from the number in existence immediately before the effective date of this ordinance. The number of authorized positions in the Fire Fighter classification is an increase of ten from the number in existence immediately before the effective date of this ordinance. The purpose of this is to staff the new Goodnight Ranch Fire Station.

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	227
Fire Specialist	228
Firefighter	704