

City of Denton

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AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

DEPARTMENT: Fire

CM/ DCM/ ACM: Frank Dixon, Assistant City Manager

DATE: 5/16/2023

SUBJECT

Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton establishing classifications and positions in the Denton Fire Department; creating certain positions; repealing Ordinance No. 22-1985 relating to establishing the classifications and prescribing the number of positions in each classification for the Denton Fire Department; providing repealer, cumulative, and severability clauses; and declaring an effective date.

BACKGROUND

Civil Service law, Texas Local Government Code, Chapter 143, requires governing bodies of all jurisdictions with Civil Service employees to officially authorize their exact number of Civil Service employees. The City Council last approved the authorized number of Fire Department Civil Service positions by Ordinance No. 22-1985 on October 18, 2022.

For the fiscal year 2022-2023 budget, City Council approved the addition of 1 Deputy Fire Marshal I and 2 Driver positions and those positions were included in Ordinance No. 22-1985. Since that time, the City was awarded funding for 12 new firefighters from the 2021 Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) grant. To staff Fire Station 9, a total of 3 Captains, 3 Drivers and 5 firefighter positions were established. The total number of Civil Service positions in the Fire Department through the adoption of this new Classification Ordinance will be an increase of 11 positions, for a total of 216. One Firefighter has been reclassified as the Emergency Management Specialist for this fiscal year.

	FY 21-22	FY 21-22	FY 22-23	FY 22-23
Classification	Ord. 22-187	Ord 22-957	Ord 22-1985	Revised
Fire Chief	0	0	0	0
Assistant Fire Chief	1	1	1	1
Assistant Fire Chief/Fire Marshal	1	1	1	1
Battalion Chief - Operations	9	9	9	9
Assistant Fire Marshal	1	1	1	1
Emergency Management Program Manager	1	1	1	1
Community Risk Reduction Officer	1	1	1	1
Fire Training Captain	1	1	1	1
EMS Captain	1	1	1	1
Captain- Operations	25	25	28	31
Deputy Fire Marshal III	1	1	1	1
Driver	48	49	54	57
Deputy Fire Marshal II	2	2	2	2
Deputy Fire Marshal I	6	6	7	7

Firefighters	94	100	97	102
Total	192	199	205	216

PRIOR ACTION/REVIEW (Council, Boards, Commissions)

For the fiscal year 2022-2023 budget, City Council approved the addition of 1 Deputy Fire Marshal I and 2 Driver positions on October 18, 2022 under Ordinance No. 22-1985.

FISCAL INFORMATION

The City was awarded funding for 12 new firefighters from the 2021 Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) grant.

EXHIBITS

- Exhibit 1: Agenda Information Sheet
- Exhibit 2: Ordinance

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