



ERIC GARCETTI
MAYOR

MEMORANDUM

To: The Honorable Members of the City Council
c/o City Clerk

From: Eric Garcetti, Mayor *EG*

Subject: Exemption Request of One (1) Controller Aide for the Office of the Controller

Date: May 10, 2021

The Office of the Controller (Controller) requested that the Mayor approve the exemption of one (1) position of Controller Aide, Class Code 9199, in accordance with Charter Section 1001(b), from civil service as management, professional, scientific, or expert services exemptions. The Mayor's Office asked the Personnel Department to review Controller's request.

The Controller Aide position was previously approved for exemption under 1001(b) by the City Council and was subsequently filled. The position was vacated on January 30, 2021 and deleted from the count. Charter Section 1001(b)(1) requires that, "When the position is vacated, the exemption shall terminate unless reauthorized in accordance with this subsection."

Charter Section 1001(b) allows up to 150 persons to be exempt, of which 145 are approved, and one (1) is pending. Approval of this request will increase the count. As of the date of this letter, this request will be in the 148th position of the 150 exemptions. There are an additional 50 exempt positions added by the City Council pursuant to Charter Section 1001(b)(4), of which 7 are filled.

The Controller Aide position will serve as liaison and interface regularly with the Offices of the Mayor, City Council, City Attorney, and state and federal officials; review City/County/State/Federal legislation that affect and may impact the finances of the City; make presentations to City Council committees; coordinate the Controller's participation in the National League of Cities, ACCESS Washington D.C., and other intergovernmental agencies; handle all sensitive and confidential information for the City Controller; write,

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edit and maintain reports and correspondence prepared for the Controller's signature; coordinate and direct communication of public information from the Controller's Office; and perform other related duties as directed by the Controller.

The Controller Aide position requires graduation from an accredited four-year college or university or a minimum of two years of experience providing support and/or handling sensitive and confidential matters for an elected official, candidate for elected office, or manager of a large organization such as a City department or outside agency.

The exemption of this position will allow Controller the flexibility to recruit and select the best-qualified candidate who possesses the necessary experience and expertise for the position. The duties and requirements as described are appropriate to the class of Controller Aide.

Based on my review of Controller's request, as well as the review of the Personnel Department, I hereby approve the request for the exemption of a Controller Aide and transmit my action to the City Council, pursuant to City Charter Section 1001(b)(1). If the exempt position is not filled within six months, the Mayor's approval for the department to fill the position may expire.

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