

PERSONNEL, AUDITS, AND ANIMAL WELFARE COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the exemption of one Senior Project Coordinator (Class Code 1538) position for the Emergency Management Department (EMD) pursuant to Charter Section 1001(d)(4).

Recommendation for Council action:

AUTHORIZE the exemption of one Senior Project Coordinator (Class Code 1538) position for the EMD pursuant to Charter Section 1001(d)(4).

Fiscal Impact Statement: None submitted by the EMD. Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Summary:

On April 6, 2022, your Committee considered a February 17, 2022 EMD report relative to the exemption of one Senior Project Coordinator (Class Code 1538) position for the EMD pursuant to Charter Section 101(d)(4). According to the EMD, on August 26, 2021, the Board of Civil Service Commissioners approved the Civil Service exemption of one grant-funded Senior Project Coordinator position in the EMD. This approval is for a two-year period. The Civil Service Commission's approval of this position exemption is in accordance with Charter Section 1001 (d)(4).

The Senior Project Coordinator position is a Resolution Authority position that is funded through federal grant funds awarded to the Los Angeles County Public Health Department (LACPHD). The City (EMD) has entered into a contract with the LACPHD, which will provide the City with the grant funds needed to hire a SPC position that will be responsible for the projects related to the grant. Specifically, the grant funds are designated to "upgrade local jurisdictional preparedness efforts in order to respond to acts of bioterrorism, outbreaks of infectious disease, and other public health threats and emergencies." Also, the position will function as a liaison between the County of Los Angeles and the City, and provide assistance with the planning and coordination of services needed when responding to a public health emergency.

The City has had the benefit of having a full-time public health focused position, funded by LACPHD since 2007. This position provides support to the City and County on projects and programs to ensure that public health preparedness is incorporated into the planning and delivery of emergency services utilizing both City and County resources. The Senior Project Coordinator position is assigned to the EMD Planning Division and is responsible for serving as a subject matter expert on Public Health in emergencies. After consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to approve the recommendation contained in the EMD report. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

Personnel, Audits, and Animal Welfare Committee

COUNCILMEMBER	VOTE
KORETZ:	YES
HARRIS-DAWSON:	YES
BONIN:	ABSENT

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