

# CITY OF MERCED

Merced Civic Center 678 W. 18th Street Merced, CA 95340

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Report Prepared by: Deneen Proctor, Director of Support Services

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#### **ALTERNATIVES**

- 1. Approve as recommended; or
- 2. Deny; or
- 3. Refer to staff for further study; or
- 4. Take no action.

#### **AUTHORITY**

Article VII, Section 710, of the Merced City Charter, and as recommended by the Merced City Personnel Board.

#### CITY COUNCIL PRIORITIES

As provided in the 2018-2019 Adopted Budget.

## DISCUSSION

In 1998, the City of Merced conducted a formal Classification Study. Over the past two decades, several changes including technological advances, regulatory updates and departmental restructuring have altered the needs of job classifications needed by the City. As a result of these changes, the City Council retained the services Ralph Anderson and Associates to work with the Support Services Department to conduct a citywide classification study that evaluated the job titles and requirements of current positions and to make recommendations to bring them in line with industry standards.

After the selection of Ralph Anderson and Associates as the vendor, Doug Johnson traveled to the Civic Center and held a citywide informational meeting with employees. Mr. Johnson provided employees information on what to expect from the beginning to the end of the process. All employees were then asked to complete a job analysis survey that outlined the essential duties of their

respective positions. In the survey, employees were given an opportunity to request an interview with a representative from Ralph Anderson and Associates. The vendor then interviewed the employees that requested interviews and also interviewed all employees that were classified in single incumbent positions.

The vendor then drafted job descriptions for more than 160 positions. The draft job descriptions were reviewed by the employees, the department and then sent back to the vendor for preparation of the final draft. During the entire process staff worked closely with employee bargaining groups keeping them apprised of the progress and also made themselves available to answer questions about the draft documents as they were being finalized.

The citywide classification study is now complete and all of the job descriptions have been reviewed and approved by the Personnel Board.

At this time the Personnel Board is recommending the City Council approve the Resolution amending, adding and deleting the Job titles and Classification Plan as reflected in the attached resolution and as outlined below.

## Amend Job Classifications

The following list provides a summary of the job descriptions that have title changes. The salary range for these positions will remain the same in the new class titles as the current class titles.

**Current Class Title** 

Accountant III

Assistant to the City Manager Building Maintenance Worker I/II

Clerk Typist I/II

Collection System Worker II/III Director of Support Services Development Associate

Environmental Control Officer I/II

**Executive Secretary** 

Housing Finance Specialist

Fire Marshal

Insurance Coordinator

Instrumentation and Electrical Technician

Land Application Program Lead Lead Main Sewers/Storm Drains

Legal Secretary

Maintenance Worker I/II (Assigned to WWTP)

Park Worker III
Payroll Coordinator
Personnel Coordinator
Personnel Technician I/II/III

Personnel Lechnician I/II/III

Police Clerk I/II Pump Operator

PWS-Lab/Environmental Control

**New Class Title** 

Senior Accountant

Senior Management Analyst Facilities Maintenance Worker I/II

Office Assistant I/II

Sewers/Storm Drain Worker II/III
Director of Human Resources
Economic Development Associate
Environmental Compliance Officer I/II

Executive Assistant Housing Specialist Deputy Fire Marshal

Risk Analyst

Instrumentation, Control/Electrical Technician

Lead Land Application Lead Sewers/Storm Drains Legal Administrative Assistant Land Application Worker I/II

Lead Park Worker Payroll Supervisor

Human Resources Analyst

Human Resources Technician I/II/III

Police Records Clerk I/II Water Systems Operator

PWS - Environmental Compliance

PWS - Laboratory

PWS-Main Sewers/Storm Drains

PW Sewer Coll Sys/Storm Drains Worker I

Refuse Equipment Operator Trainee

Refuse Equipment Operator

Safety Specialist Secretary III

Secretary I/II

Street Sweeper Operator Trainee

Street Sweeper Operator

Supervising Police Dispatcher Water Conservation Specialist Water Systems Technician I/II/III

PWS-Sewers/Storm Drains

Sewers/Storm Drain Worker I/II/III Refuse Equipment Operator I Refuse Equipment Operator II

Safety Coordinator

Administrative Assistant III Administrative Assistant I/II Street Sweeper Operator I Street Sweeper Operator II

Communications Systems Supervisor Water Conservation Coordinator Water Distribution Operator I/II/III

The citywide job classification found the lead dispatcher job class performs work that is comparable to job classification in the supervisory unit. The City is currently working through the process outlined in the Employee-Employer Organization Relations Resolution to assign the appropriate unit to the new job classification of Dispatcher Shift Supervisor. Once this process is completed, staff will return to the Council to have the title change approved.

### Amend Pay Plan

In a few instances, the recommendation is the creation of new job classifications along with the establishment of the salary range for these new positions.

Community Liaison
Paralegal Office Administrator
Refuse Equipment Operator III

The citywide job classification study found the Recreation Supervisor position assigned to the Police division performs work that is comparable to the duties of the Community Liaison job classification. Therefore, the Police Division is requesting to delete the Recreation Supervisor position assigned to Police and add the Community Liaison position. The Community Liaison job classification will be placed in the Merced Police Officer Association unit.

Obsolete Classifications

Departments have also determined that the following job classifications are no longer needed and have proven over time to be obsolete:

Airport Maintenance Worker
Animal Control Officer I
Animal Control Officer II
Apprentice Electrician
Assistant Architect
Assistant Chief Building Official
Associate Architect
Capital Improvement Coordinator
Code Enforcement Officer
Computer Operator

**Development Coordinator** 

**Development Manager** 

Fire Fighter II

Fire Inspector Trainee

Fleet Maintenance Lead Worker

GIS Data Systems Technician

Housing Program Manager

Housing Rehab Specialist I

Housing Rehab Specialist II

Insurance Clerk I

Insurance Clerk II

Interim Fire Deputy Chief

Land Engineer

Lead Tree Trimmer

Lead Worker Refuse

Lead Worker Utilities

Legislative Director

Maintenance Worker III

**NPDES** Coordinator

Parts Clerk

Payroll Accountant

Personnel Analyst

Personnel Manager

Pesticide Applicator I

Pesticide Applicator II

Police Commander

Police Community Aide

Police Corporal

Police Secretary III

**Principal Architect** 

Principal Civil Engineer

**Public Information Officer** 

Public Utilities Inspector

Recreation Manager

Redevelopment Technician

Senior Architect

Senior Lab Technician

Supervising Fire Inspector

Supervising Plans Examiner

**Urban Forestry Supervisor** 

Water Engineer

Water System Irrigation Maintenance Worker

Water Treatment Plant Operator I/II

Welder I/II

WWTP Operator Trainee

WWTP Superintendent

# **IMPACT ON CITY RESOURCES**

No additional appropriation is needed.

# **ATTACHMENTS**

- 1. Resolution
- 2. Classification Report City of Merced May 2019