

COMMUNICATION FROM CHAIR, PERSONNEL, AUDITS, AND HIRING COMMITTEE relative to the re-exemption of one Deputy City Engineer (Class Code 9490) position for the Bureau of Engineering (BOE) from the Civil Service pursuant to Charter Section 1001(b),

Recommendation for Council action:

APPROVE the re-exemption of one Deputy City Engineer (Class Code 9490) position for the BOE from the Civil Service pursuant to Charter Section 1001(b).

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

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

**TIME LIMIT FILE – OCTOBER 23, 2024**

**(LAST DAY FOR COUNCIL ACTION – OCTOBER 23, 2024)**

Summary:

On October 1, 2024, the Chair of the Personnel, Audits, and Hiring Committee considered a September 24, 2024 communication from the Mayor relative to the re-exemption of one Deputy City Engineer (Class Code 9490) position for the BOE from the Civil Service pursuant to Charter Section 1001(b). According to the Mayor, the Deputy City Engineer position was previously approved for exemption under 1001(b) by Council on August 9, 2016 (Council File No. 14-0306) and was subsequently filled. The position was vacated on April 21, 2023, and deleted from the count. Charter Section 1001(b)(1) requires that, "When the position is vacated, the exemption shall terminate unless re-authorized in accordance with this subsection." Charter Section 1001(b) allows up to 150 persons to be exempt, of which 127 are approved, and an additional 4 are pending approval.

Approval of this request will increase the count. As of the date of this letter, this request will be in the 128th 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 13 are filled. This Deputy City Engineer position for BOE's Mobility Program will oversee three divisions employing more than 100 positions, as follows:

- The Sidewalk Repair Division leads the City's \$1.4 billion, 30-year Safe Sidewalks LA program, committed to providing safe, accessible sidewalks and pedestrian rights-of-way.
- The Street Improvement Division is responsible for the planning, design, and construction management of more than 100 grant and locally-funded Street Capital

Improvement projects including bike lanes, landscape medians, curb ramp installation and upgrades, and traffic safety elements.

- The Bridge Improvement Division is responsible for managing projects that involve seismic retrofit, widening or replacement of City-owned bridges that are funded by the Federal Highway Bridge Program and other local/State special funding sources.

After consideration, the Committee Chair moved to recommend approval of the position exemption as detailed in the above recommendation. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

Councilmember Tim McOsker, Chair  
Personnel, Audits, and Hiring Committee

COUNCILMEMBER:	VOTE:
McOSKER:	YES
SOTO-MARTINEZ:	ABSENT
PRICE:	ABSENT

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