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Legislation Text

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This ordinance amends the current authorized strength of the Department of Public Utilities by separating the Divisions of Power and Water into unique and separate divisions.

In 2006, the Divisions of Power and Water were combined. The Department now desires to return them to their original state of two separate divisions and management units for a more direct, effective reporting structure. Ordinance 2398-2012, authorizing this separation, has been submitted by the department.

While full-time strength is being transferred between divisions, the bottom-line total other fund sanctioned full-time strength of the department does not change.

Additionally, this request is consistent with the 2013 authorized strength needs of the department.

Fiscal Impact: The Power Division generates user fees charged to users of their service. These fees are set to recover adequate moneys to cover the cost of running the utility. As such, funds are available to cover the cost of the afore-described revision.

To establish a new authorized strength ordinance for the Department of Public Utilities to accommodate the separation of the Divisions of Power and Water into two separate divisions, to repeal ordinance 0507-2012; and to declare an emergency.

WHEREAS, the department of Public Utilities desires to separate the Divisions of Power and Water into two separate divisions; and

WHEREAS, an amendment to the authorized strength ordinance is needed to recognize the Division of Power as a separate division and distinct management unit; and

WHEREAS, the Division of Power generates sufficient revenues through user fees to cover the cost of this amendment; and

WHEREAS, code amendment legislation is being submitted by the Department of Public Utilities authorizing the aforementioned separation; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the City of Columbus in that it is immediately necessary to establish a new authorized strength ordinance to provide for the efficient operation of the city, and for the immediate preservation of the public health, peace, property, safety and welfare; Now, Therefore

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS

SECTION 1. That pursuant to Section 14, of the City Charter, the maximum number of officers and employees authorized to be employed within the various Departments, Boards and Offices of the City and hereby fixed and established as follows:

- 1- Refer to attachment ORD2827-2012currentstrength.xls
- 2- Refer to attachment ORD2827-2012previousstrength.xls

The foregoing positions authorized include all positions within each department, division, board, office or commission, whether appointed or elected except the members of any board or commission authorized by charter or ordinance. No Appointing Authority shall appoint full-time or part-time personnel in excess of the maximum permitted by this ordinance unless authorized by ordinance of City Council.

SECTION 2. Such of the positions within the Division of Fire as the Director of Public Safety and Fire Chief shall designate, shall be within the uniformed ranks and all other positions therein shall be deemed civilian positions, provided there shall not be in excess of five (5) Fire Assistant Chiefs and there shall not be in excess of four (4) Fire Deputy Chiefs; as a normal complement in excess of thirty-four (34) Fire Battalion Chiefs nor as a temporary complement in excess of thirty-five (35) Fire Battalion Chiefs at any one time; fifty-eight (58) fifty-six (56) Fire Captains nor as a temporary complement in excess of fifty-nine (59) Fire Captains at any one time; one (1) Fire Chief; and one-hundred ninety six (196) Fire Lieutenants. The complements of fire captains and fire lieutenants are intended to be temporary, subject to review and change at any time.

Such of the positions within the Division of Police as the Director of Public Safety and the Police Chief shall designate, shall be within the uniformed ranks and all other positions therein shall be deemed civilian positions, provided there shall not be, as a normal complement, in excess of eighteen (18) Police Commanders nor as a temporary complement in excess of nineteen (19) Police Commanders at any one time; one (1) Police Chief; in excess of, as a normal complement six (6) Police Deputy Chiefs nor as a temporary complement in excess of seven (7) Police Deputy Chiefs at any one time; in excess of, as a normal complement, fifty-seven (57) Police Lieutenants nor as a temporary complement; in excess of fifty-nine (59) Police Lieutenants at any one time; in excess of, as a normal complement; two hundred twenty-five (225) Police Sergeants nor as a temporary complement in excess of two hundred twenty-nine (229) Police Sergeants at any one time.

SECTION 3. Temporary appointments are not subject to the authorized strength ordinance. Additionally, limited appointments made to cover full-time and part-time employees on authorized leave (injury, disability or military leave) are not subject to the authorized strength ordinance.

SECTION 4. That Ordinance No. 0507-2012 and all other ordinances relative to the authorization of employees for any department, division, board or commission and all other ordinances in conflict herewith be and the same are hereby repealed.

SECTION 5. That for the reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part hereof, this ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval by the Mayor or ten days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.