



Legislation Text

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RESOLUTION APPROVING PROPOSED SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE NEW CIVIL SERVICE CLASSIFICATION OF PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER, AND SPECIFYING CONTRACT BENEFITS FOR SAME.

CITY PROPOSAL:

RESOLVED, that the proposed specifications for the new civil service classification of public information officer (attached as Exhibit A), which were approved by the civil service board on June 5, 2018, are approved; that said classification shall be subject to the city's collective bargaining agreement with its supervisory unit employees; and that pay range for said classification shall be Range 1085-1100, \$5,556 to \$7,270 per month. The proper city officials are authorized to execute and implement an agreement with the union to provide for employing one or more unit members consistent with this resolution.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: The new classification of public information officer (PIO) has been created to improve the Duluth police department's response to matters of public interest. It will function to provide more direct access to the department and police-related information to inform and educate the public. The position of public information officer exists to provide a chief spokesperson for the department on a consistent basis. The PIO reports directly to the chief of police and coordinates response to media inquiries, provides information about crime incidents, the department, its functions, policies and procedures, programs, services, and related events. The pay range negotiated for the classification is Range 1085-1100, \$5,556 to \$7,270 per month.