

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-O-027

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATHENS, TEXAS, AMENDING CHAPTER 15-PERSONNEL, ARTICLE 1.-IN GENERAL, SECTION 15-3-FIREFIGHTERS' AND POLICE OFFICERS' CIVIL SERVICE LAW SUBSECTION (C) BY ADDING THE CLASSIFICATION OF DRIVER TO THE FIRE DEPARTMENT POSITION LISTING AND RECLASSIFYING SIX (6) OF THE EXISTING EIGHTEEN (18) FIREFIGHTER POSITIONS TO THE NEWLY CREATED DRIVER POSITION, PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE, REPEALER CLAUSE AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, on the 27th day of January 2020, the Civil Service Commission of the City of Athens, Texas after due notice held a public meeting and recommended by majority vote to add the Driver classification to the current Firefighters' classification system;

WHEREAS, on the 10th day of February 2020, the City Council of the City of Athens, Texas after due notice held a public meeting and the ordinance amendment was read aloud for the first time as required by Article III, Section 3.11 of the City of Athens Charter.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATHENS, TEXAS

Section 1. The following amendment shall be made to Chapter 15, Sec. 15-3.- Firefighters' and Police Officers' Civil Service Law, Subsection (c) Classifications:

(c) *Classifications.* The following job classifications shall be adopted for the purpose of civil service. Such allocated classifications shall be based on the duties and responsibilities of the incumbents of such positions and shall be entered on the official roster maintained by the Firefighter's and Police Officer's Civil Service Commission. The title of the classification shall become the title of the individual positions and shall be used in payrolls submitted to the proper disbursing officer and in requests to the commission.

The city council, however, reserves the right to designate new classifications, or combine, divide, alter or abolish existing classes, subject only to the provisions of civil service law.

Classification	Number of Employees
<i>Police Department</i>	

Assistant Police Chief*	1
Police Lieutenants	2
Police Sergeants	6
Police Corporals	6
Patrol/CID	16
Total Police	31
<i>Fire Department</i>	
Assistant Fire Chief**	1
Battalion Chief/Fire Marshal	1
Fire Captains	3
Fire Lieutenants	3
Drivers	6

Firefighters	12
Total Fire	26

Section 2. Should any clause, phrase, sentence section of this Ordinance be deemed invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, said finding shall not affect the remaining clauses, phrases, sentences or sections of this Ordinance.

Section 3. Any ordinance, resolution or order previously passed and/or adopted by the City Council, or any part thereof, if found to be in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance, shall be resolved in favor of the terms and conditions of this Ordinance, and any prior conflicting ordinance, resolution or order or any part thereof, is hereby repealed to the extent of said conflict.

Section 4. This ordinance shall be and become effective from and after its adoption and publication in accordance with the provisions of the Charter of the City of Athens, Texas.

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this the **24th** day of **February 2020** at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Athens, Texas, with the following record vote:

Monte Montgomery, Mayor	Aye
Ed McCain, Mayor Pro Tem	Aye
Aaron Smith, Councilmember	Aye
Robert Gross, Councilmember	Aye

Voted in favor of the motion	4
Voted against the motion	0
Motion carried	4-0

Monte Montgomery, Mayor

ATTEST:

Bonnie Hambrick, City Secretary