

PERSONNEL AND ANIMAL WELFARE COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the exemption of one Zoo Chief Veterinarian (Class Code 2360) position for the Zoo Department from the Civil Service provisions of the City Charter pursuant to Charter Section 1001(b).

Recommendation for Council action:

APPROVE the exemption of one Zoo Chief Veterinarian (Class Code 2360) position for the Zoo Department from the Civil Service provisions of the City Charter 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.

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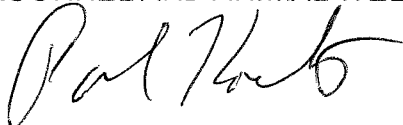
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Summary:

On March 6, 2019, your Committee considered a February 26, 2019 communication from the Mayor relative to the exemption of one Zoo Chief Veterinarian (Class Code 2360) position for the Zoo Department from the Civil Service provisions of the City Charter pursuant to Charter Section 1001(b). According to the Mayor, Charter Section 1001(b) allows up to 150 persons to be exempt, of which 144 are approved. There are an additional 50 exempt positions added by the City Council pursuant to Charter Section 1001(b)(4), of which 13 are filled. Approval of this request will increase the count. As of February 26, 2019, this request will be in the 148th position of the 150 exemptions. The Chief Veterinarian is responsible for managing and directing the programs, operations and staff of the Animal Health Division, which provides medical care for approximately 1,300 animals in the Zoo's collection. The responsibilities are managed through a subordinate staff of 18 full-time and four part-time employees, and the duties include: managing and overseeing the health of the Zoo's animal collection and the new state-of-the-art Animal Health Center; exercising medical oversight of the animal collection; managing the Medical Animal Records Management System; representing the division at Zoo senior management and planning meetings, with the public, and at professional meetings or cooperative programs; developing the division's annual budget and maintaining budgetary control over expenditures; and keeping the institution current on medical trends, concepts and methods. After consideration, the Committee moved to recommend approval of the exemption as detailed in the above recommendation. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

PERSONNEL AND ANIMAL WELFARE COMMITTEE



MEMBER VOTE

KORETZ: YES

SMITH: YES

PRICE: YES

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