CHULA VISTA

City of Chula Vista

Staff Report

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RESOLUTION NO. 2014-118 OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA APPROVING THE FISCAL YEAR 2014-2015 COMPENSATION SCHEDULE AS REQUIRED BY CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 2, SECTION 570.5

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Council adopt the resolution.

SUMMARY

California Code of Regulations (CCR), Title 2, Section 570.5 requires that, for purposes of determining a retiring employee's pension allowance, the pay rate be limited to the amount listed on a pay schedule that meets certain requirements. Staff is submitting the FY 2014-2015 pay schedule ("Compensation Schedule") that complies with these requirements to Council for approval.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

The Development Services Director has reviewed the proposed activity for compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and has determined that the activity is not a "Project" as defined under Section 15378(b)(2) of the State CEQA Guidelines because it is a personnel-related action; therefore, pursuant to Section 15060(c)(3) of the State CEQA Guidelines the activity is not subject to CEQA. Thus, no environmental review is necessary.

BOARD/COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION

Not applicable.

DISCUSSION

California Code of Regulations (CCR), Title 2, Section 570.5 requires that, for purposes of determining a retiring employee's pension allowance, the pay rate be limited to the amount listed on a pay schedule that meets all of the following requirements:

- (1) Has been duly approved and adopted by the employer's governing body in accordance with requirements of applicable public meetings laws;
- (2) Identifies the position title for every employee position;
- (3) Shows the pay rate for each identified position, which may be stated as a single amount or as multiple amounts within a range;
- **(4)** Indicates the time base, including, but not limited to, whether the time base is hourly, daily, biweekly, monthly, bi-monthly, or annually;
- (5) Is posted at the office of the employer or immediately accessible and available for public review from the employer during normal business hours or posted on the employer's internet website;
- (6) Indicates an effective date and date of any revisions;
- (7) Is retained by the employer and available for public inspection for not less than five years; and
- (8) Does not reference another document in lieu of disclosing the pay rate.

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This regulation applies to all employers reporting compensation to California Employees' Retirement System (CalPERS).

Staff is submitting the FY 2014-2015 pay schedule ("Compensation Schedule") that complies with these requirements to Council for approval. If approved, the duly approved and adopted Compensation Schedule will be immediately accessible and available for public review on the City's internet website in accordance with CCR Section 570.5. Failure to comply with this State-mandated approval requirement would delay computation of a retiring employee's pension allowance by CalPERS.

The Compensation Schedule consists of step salary pay for all established positions at the City of Chula Vista, including hourly and bi-weekly time base. This schedule defines the payment to employees for services performed during normal working hours or for time during which the employee is excused from work because of holidays, sick leave, industrial disability, payments under Labor Code Section 4850, vacation, compensatory time-off or leave of absence. It is designed and administered to provide and maintain an equitable wage and salary system at the City that compensates all employees for their work efforts performed within specific job classifications and corresponding salary ranges, in order to attract and retain the most highly skilled employees possible.

The Compensation Schedule included in this report reflects the pay rate of all job titles in effect as of June 27, 2014. Once approved, any changes to the adopted Compensation Schedule including, but not limited to, across-the-board increases, classification changes and salary adjustments approved subsequent to this date will be reflected in a revised Compensation Schedule which will be submitted to Council for approval.

DECISION-MAKER CONFLICT

Staff has determined that the action contemplated by this item is ministerial, secretarial, manual, or clerical in nature and, as such, does not require the City Council members to make or participate in making a governmental decision, pursuant to California Code of Regulations, Title 2, Section 18702.4 (a). Consequently, this item does not present a conflict under the Political Reform Act (Cal. Gov't Code § 87100, et seq.). Staff is not independently aware, and has not been informed by any City Council member, of any other fact that may constitute a basis for a decision maker conflict of interest in this matter.

LINK TO STRATEGIC GOALS

The City's Strategic Plan has five major goals: Operational Excellence, Economic Vitality, Healthy Community, Strong and Secure Neighborhoods and a Connected Community. Approval of the FY 2014-2015 Compensation Schedule and its posting on the City's internet website supports the Citywide strategic goal of Operational Excellence as it enhances disclosure and transparency of employee compensation and, as a result, fosters public trust through an open and ethical government.

CURRENT YEAR FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action.

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ONGOING FISCAL IMPACT

Not applicable.

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