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Fiscal Affairs Committee Chair

From:

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Subject:

BUDGET & FISCAL AFFAIRS (BFA)

PRESENTATION; TEMPORARY

EMPLOYEE SERVICES

The purpose of this memorandum is to transmit the temporary employees count by department.

<u>Background</u>: At the BFA meeting of November 8, 2010, a request was made to obtain the number of temporaries by department.

Summary: As of September 30, 2010 the City had 307 temporary employees. Please note:

• Health Department – 151

Most of these temporary assignments are grant funded and require specialized skills. Included positions are Counselors, LVN's, Chief Nurse, Epidemiologists, Microbiologists, Public Health Nurses and Site Surveillance Investigators. It should be noted that the H1N1 Preparedness Health Emergency Response project continues to be supported by temporary employees before, during and after the 2009 pandemic event.

Houston Emergency Center – 18

Most of these temporary assignments are the CO-OP Program students working as Police Telecommunicators answering non-emergency calls in the call center.

• Information Technology - 16

Highly specialized temporary employees are assigned to technical projects such as Radio Communications Project and CSMART – Municipal Courts Project.

Administration and Regulatory Affairs – 14

These positions are assigned to BARC and are considered difficult to fill. Included positions are Kennel Attendants, Animal Care Technicians and a Staff Veterinarian position which allows the facility to remain open to citizens 7 days a week.

Solid Waste Department – 11

These positions are difficult to fill as they are specialized mechanics, refuse truck drivers, and other semi-skilled workers.

<u>Conclusion</u>: Temporary employees augment city personnel and provide services allowing city departments to meet peak load demands, utilize special skills for short term duration situations, and respond to urgent and catastrophic events.

We ask for your favorable consideration.

Questions concerning this memorandum may be referred to Omar C. Reid at 713-837-9330

Fund	FundName	BusArea	Business Name	Total
General Fund				
1000	General Fund	1000	Police Department	0
1000	General Fund	1200	Fire Department	0
1000	General Fund	1600	Municipal Court Administration	18
1000	General Fund	1700	Municipal Court - Justice	0
1000	General Fund	2000	Public Works & Engineering	1
1000	General Fund	2100	Solid Waste Management	11
1000	General Fund	2500	General Services	1
1000	General Fund	3400	Library	0
1000	General Fund	3600	Parks and Recreation	16
1000	General Fund	3800	Health and Human Services	11
1000	General Fund	5000	Mayor's Office	0
1000	General Fund	5100	Affirmative Action	1
1000	General Fund	5500	City Council	0
1000	General Fund	6000	Controller's Office	0
1000	General Fund	6400	Finance	1
1000	General Fund	6500	Administration & Regulatory Affairs	14
1000	General Fund	6800	Information Technology	7
1000	General Fund	7000	Planning	0
1000	General Fund	8000	Human Resources	0
Total General Fund			81	

Enterprise, Grants, and Other Special Fu	nds		
100	Police Department	15	
150	Houston Emergency Center	18	
160	Municipal Court Administration	0	
200	Public Works & Engineering	9	
250	0 General Services	0	
280	0 Houston Airport System	11	
320	0 Housing & Community Development	0	
340	0 Library	2	
360	0 Parks and Recreation	0	
380	0 Health and Human Services	140	
420	0 Convention & Entertainment	5	
500	0 Mayor's Office	8	
650	O Administration & Regulatory Affairs	į	
680	0 Information Technology	16	
700	0 Planning	0	
800	0 Human Resources	1	
Total Enterprise/Grants/Other Special Funds			

Total All Departments	307