

EAST PEORIA FIRE DEPARTMENT

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TO: The Honorable Mayor and the City Council

THRU: Commissioner Mingus

FROM: Fire Chief John Knapp

DATE: August 25, 2020

SUBJECT: Resolution temporarily increasing the number of Lieutenants

DISCUSSION: Please consider a resolution temporarily increasing the number of Lieutenants on the department from 9 to 10. As you may be aware, we have a Lieutenant who has expressed his intent to retire in the near future. At the time of his separation the total number of Lieutenants will return to a total of 9.

RECOMMENDATION: Approval the resolution authorizing a temporary increase in the number of Lieutenants on the East Peoria Fire Department.

cc: City Clerk Morgan Cadwalader

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-038

**East Peoria, Illinois
September 1, 2020**

RESOLUTION BY COMMISSIONER _____

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TEMPORARY INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF
LIEUTENANTS ON THE EAST PEORIA FIRE DEPARTMENT**

WHEREAS, Title 1, Chapter 5, Section 2.1 of the East Peoria City Code authorizes the City Council to determine from time to time by Resolution the number of individuals to hold each rank on the East Peoria Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, in December 2018, pursuant to Resolution No. 1819-106, the City temporarily increased the number of firefighters on the Fire Department by three to a total of 33 firefighters in an effort to minimize overtime costs in the Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Resolution No. 1819-106, the temporary increase to 33 in the number of firefighters in the Fire Department that was approved in December 2018 will then decrease back down to 30 through attrition of members leaving the Fire Department after April 30, 2020; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 1920-131 approved in April 2020, the temporary increase in the number of firefighters in the Fire Department to 33 was extended through April 30, 2021; and

WHEREAS, a firefighter in the Lieutenant capacity is anticipated to move to inactive status in the near future; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 2021-036 approved in August 2020, the number of firefighters in the Fire Department was temporarily increased to 34 due this Lieutenant's anticipated move to inactive status in the near future; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the City of East Peoria to now temporarily increase the total number of individuals holding the rank of Lieutenant in the East Peoria Fire Department by one from nine to ten until the anticipated change in status of this Lieutenant to inactive status; and

WHEREAS, with the promotion of a firefighter to the additional Lieutenant position in the East Peoria Fire Department, the number of firefighters in the East Peoria Fire Department will then be reduced back 33; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the City that after the anticipated change in status with this Lieutenant to inactive status in the near future, the total number of Lieutenants in the Fire Department be reduced by one back to nine;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAST PEORIA, TAZEWELL COUNTY, ILLINOIS, THAT:

Section 1. Effective immediately, the Fire Department of the City of East Peoria shall consist of the following personnel:

- A. One Fire Chief
- B. Three Assistant Fire Chiefs
- C. Ten Lieutenants
- D. Thirty-Three Firefighters
- E. One Paid on Call Firefighter

Section 2. Subject to further action by the City Council, effective after the anticipated change in status of the Lieutenant in the near future, the Fire Department of the City of East Peoria shall consist of the following personnel:

- A. One Fire Chief
- B. Three Assistant Fire Chiefs
- C. Nine Lieutenants
- D. Thirty-Three Firefighters
- E. One Paid on Call Firefighter

Section 3. Subject to further action by the City Council, effective on April 30, 2021, pursuant to Resolution No. 1920-131, the Fire Department of the City of East Peoria shall consist of the following personnel upon attrition to the staffing levels established in this Resolution:

- A. One Fire Chief
- B. Three Assistant Fire Chiefs
- C. Nine Lieutenants
- D. Thirty Firefighters
- E. One Paid on Call Firefighter

APPROVED:

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk