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CITY OF BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON

ORDINANCE NO. 2448

AN ORDINANCE relating to police and fire civil service; amending section 1 of Ordinance 1964, regarding establishment of the Civil Service Commission; amending section 3 of Ordinance 2062, and Bellevue City Code, section 3.72.020, regarding the application of RCW 41.08 and RCW 41.12 to police and fire civil service in the city; and amending section 1 of Ordinance 2062, and Bellevue City Code, section 3.72.030 regarding certification of persons eligible to fill vacancies by the Civil Service Commission through original appointment or promotion, to the appointing authority.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON, DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Section 1 of Ordinance 1964, and Bellevue City Code, section 3.72.010 are hereby amended to read as follows:

3.72.010 Established.

To substantially accomplish the purpose of RCW Chapters 41.08 and 41.12, there is created a civil service commission to be composed of five members appointed by the city manager to exercise the powers and perform the duties established by such state law in connection with the selection, appointment, promotion, demotion and employment of fire fighters and police officers, below the rank of division director, of the city.

Section 2. Section 3 of Ordinance 2062, and Bellevue City Code, section 3.72.020 are hereby amended to read as follows:

3.72.020 Coverage.

Except as hereinafter specifically provided, and except as may be otherwise provided by the Rules and Regulations of the Civil Service Commission, the provisions of RCW Chapters 41.08 and 41.12 shall control the Commission; the selection, appointment, promotion, demotion and employment of all fire fighters and police officers, below the rank of division director, or its equivalent by whatever title denominated; and all other aspects of fire and police civil service in the city.

Section 3. Section 1 of Ordinance 2062, and Bellevue City Code, section 3.72.030 are hereby amended to read as follows:

3.72.030 Exceptions.

Notwithstanding anything in RCW Chapters 41.08 and 41.12 to the contrary:

- A. In addition to any opportunity afforded the appointing authority to exercise a choice in the filling of a vacancy by the terms of RCW Chapters 41.08 and 41.12, whenever requisition is made upon the commission for the names of persons eligible for appointment to any vacancy, including both original appointments and promotions, the commission, instead of furnishing the name of the one person highest on any eligibility list, shall certify to the appointing authority the names of the persons within the top twenty-five percent on such eligibility list or the three persons highest on such list, whichever produces the largest number of persons for each vacancy, if there are such persons available. The appointing authority shall forthwith appoint one of the certified persons to such vacant position.
- B. The chief of police shall have the complete discretion in (1) the selection of any member of the police department to be assigned to a vacancy in the position of detective or juvenile officer, even though such position enjoys special compensation; provided, however, that such assignment shall in no case involve a decrease in salary or classification; and (2) transfer of any member of the police department from the position of detective or juvenile officer; provided, however, that such transfer shall in no case involve a decrease in salary or classification, except the loss of any special compensation enjoyed by such position.
- C. The civil service commission shall have the power to establish the length of time police officers or fire fighters, below the rank of division director, must serve on a probationary status and shall establish such length of time pursuant to its rules and regulations; provided, in no case shall the probationary time period determined by the civil service commission to apply to police department employees or fire department employees exceed one year.
- D. Temporary or provisional appointments may continue for, but shall not exceed six months. No person shall receive more than one temporary or provisional appointment or serve more than six months as either a temporary or provisional appointee in any one fiscal year. In addition, the appointing authority shall have the power in emergencies to appoint employees to fill vacant promotional positions in an acting capacity for the duration of the emergency. Such appointments shall be denominated "acting appointments" and shall not be included in

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determining the permissible number of, or period for, temporary or provisional appointments.

Section 4. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force five (5) days after its passage and legal publication.

PASSED by the City Council this 18 day of July, 1977, and signed in authentication of its passage this 18 day of July, 1977.

(SEAL)

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