ORDINANCE NUMBER O- 20189 (NEW SERIES)

DATE OF FINAL PASSAGE AUG 1 3 2012

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO EXEMPTING ONE PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTANT POSITION IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY COMPTROLLER FROM THE CLASSIFIED SERVICE OF THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO.

WHEREAS, on June 7, 2012, the San Diego Civil Service Commission (Civil Service Commission) reviewed a request from the Office of the City Comptroller (City Comptroller) to exempt one Principal Accountant position from the Classified Service; and

WHEREAS, the position will perform similar duties to existing Principal Accountant positions, including supervising the work of professional Accountants, supervising and conducting complex and politically sensitive accounting and auditing assignments, coordinating and reviewing financial reports, creating and documenting internal controls for financial reporting, and developing and implementing department and citywide policies and procedures; and

WHEREAS, San Diego Charter (Charter) section 117 provides that the Unclassified Service shall include "[m]anagerial employees having significant responsibilities for formulating and administering department policies and programs. Each such position shall be exempt from the Classified Service by ordinance, upon the initiation of the appropriate appointing authority and after receiving the advisory review and comment of the Civil Service Commission and the approval of the City Council"; and

WHEREAS, upon review of the duties and responsibilities of the position of Principal Accountant, the Civil Service Commission finds that it meets the intent of Charter section 117 to exempt the position from the Classified Service; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Council of the City of San Diego, as follows:

Section 1. That pursuant to Charter section 117(a)(17), the City Comptroller initiated advisory review and comment from the Civil Service Commission relating to the proposed exemption of a Principal Accountant from the Classified Service, and the Civil Service Commission reviewed the proposed exemption on June 7, 2012, and commented favorably upon it, as meeting Charter criteria for placement of the Principal Accountant in the Unclassified Service. Having considered and reviewed the finding of the Civil Service Commission, as set forth in the Memorandum to the Honorable Council President and City Council, from Hadi Dehghani, Personnel Director, on behalf of the Civil Service Commission, dated June 12, 2012, attached to this Ordinance as Attachment A and fully incorporated into this Ordinance by its reference, the Council now exempts from the Classified Service one Principal Accountant position under the City Comptroller, performing the duties described in the June 12, 2012, Memorandum, and declares the Principal Accountant position to be in the Unclassified Service.

Section 2. That a full reading of this Ordinance is dispensed with prior to its passage, a written or printed copy having been made available to the City Council and the public prior to the day of its passage.

Section 3. That this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force on the thirtieth day from and after its final passage.

APPROVED: JAN I. GOLDSMITH, City Attorney Deputy City Attorney JFD:ccm 6/27/2012 Or.Dept:Comptroller I hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was passed by the Council of the City of San Diego, at this meeting of JUL 3 1 2012. ELIZABETH S. MALAND City Clerk JERRY SANDERS, Mayor Vetoed: _

JERRY SANDERS, Mayor

CITY OF SAN DIEGO COUNCIL OFFICES MEMORANDU MIZ JUN 12 AM 10: 59

DATE:

June 12, 2012

TO:

Honorable Council President and City Council

FROM:

Hadi Dehghani, Personnel Director

SUBJECT:

Exemption of a Principal Accountant position from the Classified Service

On June 7, 2012, the Civil Service Commission reviewed a request from the Office of the City Comptroller to exempt a Principal Accountant position from the Classified Service.

The position will perform similar duties to existing Principal Accountant positions including supervising the work of professional Accountants, supervising and conducting complex and politically sensitive accounting and auditing assignments, coordinating and reviewing financial reports, creating and documenting internal controls for financial reporting, and developing and implementing department and citywide policies and procedures.

Charter Section 117 states that the Unclassified Service shall include "managerial employees having significant responsibilities for formulating and administering department policies and programs. Each such position shall be exempt from the Classified Service by ordinance, upon the initiation of the appropriate appointing authority and after receiving the advisory review and comment of the Civil Service Commission and approval of the City Council."

Upon review of the duties and responsibilities of this position, the Commission finds that it meets the intent of Charter Section 117. If additional information would be of assistance in your consideration of this matter, staff is available to respond with details as necessary.

Hadi Dehghani Personnel Director

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