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Classification and Compensation Plan

Pay Plan Summary

Classification and Compensation Plan Overview

- The current UGA Pay Plan was implemented 16 years ago
- Individual positions have been reviewed and reclassified over the years
- The Pay Scale has been adjusted when the budget allowed and approved by Council
- Other pay adjustments for Public Safety include Pay Reform, Recruitment and Retention adjustments, enhanced sign-on bonuses

Classification and Compensation Plan Key Goals and Objectives

- Address changes in City operations and staffing over past 16 years
- Address Pay Compression
- Consider \$15 an hour minimum wage for full time employees
- Ensure internal equity and external competitiveness
- Align salaries with the position or assigned duties
- Address specialty pay and differential pay for specific positions



Classification and Compensation Study Timeline – Plan Adoption

Date	Session	Agenda	
January 11, 2022	Council Meeting	Approved purchasing contract for Pay Plan	
February 22-28, 2022	Employees - Department Heads – Council	Orientation and Focus Group Sessions	
March 2022	Employees and Department Heads	Job Assessment Tool (JAT) Surveys completed	
May/June 2022	Pay Plan Updates Small Group Meetings with Council	High level briefing on Class & Comp Study	
July 14, 2022	Evergreen Solutions Update Department Heads Teams Virtual Meeting	High-level briefing on Class & Comp Study	
July 14, 2022	Evergreen Solutions Update Employees Teams Virtual Meeting	High-level briefing on Class & Comp Study	
July 26, 2022	Council Meeting - Presentation by Evergreen Solutions	Presentation on Class & Comp Study Full Report and Recommendations	
July 27-28-29, 2022	Evergreen Solutions	Share recommendations for each employee position	
	Scheduled Meetings with each Department Head	Department Heads to review and share information with	
	Briefing Session – Receive Comments and Feedback	their employees	
August 3-4, 2022	Evergreen Solutions	Review comments, feedback, questions	
	Follow up scheduled Meetings with Department Heads as requested		
August 2, 2022	Evergreen Solutions Update to Chamber of Commerce	Presentation on Class & Comp Study	
	Private Sector Business Community	Full Report and Recommendations	
August 9, 2022	Council Meeting		
August 22, 2022	Departments received Final Recommendations from Evergreen	Spreadsheets for each department distributed	
August 23, 2022	Council Meeting	1 st Reading Class & Comp Report, Pay Plan Ordinance	
August 30, 2022	Council Meeting	2 nd Reading Council vote Adopt and Implement Class &	
		Comp Pay Plan Ordinance	





September –		Human Resources – Finance – Information Technology Departments		
	November 2022	Evergreen Solutions – Recommendations and guidelines for administration and maintenance of Plan		
		Training on tools for Staff on the new system		
		Training on tools for Staff to conduct audits/adjustments (JobForce Manager)		
		Develop and update existing class descriptions/specifications, ensure ADA, FLSA, EEO, etc. compliance. Revise job descriptions based on JAT process		
		New listing of the allocation of job classes to salary range assignments		
		Update all employee records		
		Develop new pay charts		
	4 th Quarter -	Employees receive first paycheck in new class and comp plan		
	TBD			

Pay Plan Ordinance Summary

- Adoption of a new Classification and Compensation Plan and Repeal of Conflicting Ordinances
- Amendments to Ordinance No. 22-107, the Operating Budget for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2023
- All fulltime classified CCG employees shall receive an annual increase of at least one-step in grade as approved by Council during the budget review process beginning FY24
- A Sign on Bonus of \$5,000 for Public Safety Departments spread over two-year period Replaces current \$2,000 sign on bonus. Includes Police, Sheriff, Fire/EMS, and MCP
- Repeal \$6,000 Retention Bonus for Public Safety. Sunsets with implementation of Classification and Compensation Plan
- Repeal Pay Reform for all Public Safety Departments
- Public Safety sworn personnel receive a one-step increase on their milestone anniversary, 3, 5, 7, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30 years of service. (Extend milestone years to 35 years of service.)
- Promotion process for Public Safety and General Government to be similar to current promotion process
- Demotion process added
- Career Ladders continue in the new ordinance
- Education Incentives for current Public Safety employees remain in place. Education Incentives for new hire PS employees effective with the new pay plan Associates Degree \$1250; Bachelors Degree \$2500; no incentive for Masters Degree

Pay Plan Ordinance What's not in the Ordinance

- Differential Pay and Specialty Pay
 - Departments may develop proposals for Differential Pay and Specialty Pay
 - Submit proposal during the budget review process
- Add: OLOST Supplement to bring Sheriff Employees pay to match CPD Employees pay

Implementation Cost Adjustment

- A 25% cap to individual increases has been implemented to ensure financial viability
- 25% cap impacts 343 General Government employees
- 25% cap impacts 123 Public Safety employees

What this means:

• Employees receiving greater than 25% adjustment are capped at 25%. Example:

•	Employee	current pay	\$38,500
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 New recommended pay 	\$52,000	30% increase	or \$13,500
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Adjusted recommended pay \$49,500
 25% increase or \$11,000