Chapter 2.02 Personnel Code

New language for Chapter 2.02 is indicated by <u>underlined</u> text, and deleted language is indicated by strikethrough text.

1. Amend Section 2.02.010 "Personnel Code" as follows:

Sections <u>2.02.001</u> to 2.02.110 of this Metro Code shall will be known as and may be cited as the "Metro Personnel Code."

The provisions in this chapter do not constitute <u>create</u> a contract of employment. <u>Moreover, in</u> order to meet future challenges, the <u>The</u> Council retains the flexibility to change, substitute, and discontinue the policies and benefits described <u>herein</u> in this chapter, at any time, with or without notice to employees. No person <u>shall</u> <u>has, or will</u> be <u>deemed considered</u> to have, a vested interest in, or legitimate expectation of, continued employment with Metro, or any policy or benefit described <u>herein</u> in this chapter or otherwise generally followed by Metro. No contract of employment can be created, nor can an employee's <u>at-will</u> status be modified, by any oral or written agreement, or course of conduct, except by a written agreement signed by the Council President or Chief Operating Officer and the employee, and subject to the approval of the Council.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, however above paragraph, the Metro Council may delegate by resolution to the Chief Operating Officer the authority to execute a written employment agreements on a case by case basis agreement for: (1) an individual Executive-level position, or as (2) for a group for Director of Executive-level employment agreements where positions in which all terms in those employment agreements are identical except salary for compensation. Any resolution delegating authority to the Chief Operating Officer to execute written employment agreements for a group of Executive-level positions must state the specific positions and the specific compensation-related provisions for which the delegation has been granted. An employment agreement may not be amended unless approved by the Metro Council.

- (a) Duties of Chief Operating Officer. Administration The Chief Operating Officer administers and enforcement of enforces the personnel code shall be the responsibility of. The Chief Operating Officer or his or her delegee the Chief Operating Officer's designee, shall must:
 - (1) Establish and maintain:
 - (A) A record of all employees in Metro service;
 - (B) The Metro employee classification plan;
 - (C) The salary plan and salary administration policies, including employee benefits.
 - (2) Prepare such-rules, policies, and procedures as are necessary to carry out the duties, functions, and powers of this personnel code, and to effectively administer Metro personnel.
 - (3) Establish a system of personnel administration based on merit, governing recruitment, appointment, tenure, transfer, layoff, separation, and discipline of employees.

- (4) Devise Develop and implement employee training programs, for the purpose of improving the quality of service rendered by Metro personnel.
- (5) Conduct labor negotiations Negotiate with the authorized collective bargaining labor representatives of Metro employees.
- (6) Serve as the final grievance adjustment officer in personnel matters.
- (7) Make Report quarterly reports to the Council regarding the personnel administration of Metro.
- (b) The Metropolitan Exposition-Recreation Commission shall-must adopt personnel rules consistent with and subject to Metro Code Section 6.01.040 of the Metro Code notwithstanding any provision of this chapter to the contrary. The Chief Operating Officer shall through the General Manager will administer the policies adopted by the Commission through the General Manager. [Ordinance 05-1082, Sec. 1; Ordinance 09-1229, Sec. 2.]

2. Amend Section 2.02.030 "Definitions of Personnel Terms" as follows:

For the purposes of this chapter unless the context requires otherwise, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated, unless the context requires otherwise:

Auditor means the elected Auditor of Metro or his/her Auditor's designee.

Chief Financial Officer means the person responsible for managing the financial affairs and budget of Metro and designated as such by the Chief Operating Officer.

Chief Operating Officer means the person holding the position of Chief Operating Officer established by Metro Code Section 2.20.010. of the Metro Code.

Council means the elected governing body of Metro.

Department means a major functional unit of Metro as designated by the Chief Operating Officer.

Department Director means a person designated by the Chief Operating Officer to be responsible for the administration of a department or his/her designee.

Employee means an individual who is salaried or who receives wages for employment with Metro.

Executive-level means any Department Director, Venue Director, Deputy Chief Operating Officer, and General Manager.

Full-time means a position in which the scheduled hours of work are 40 hours per week and which is provided for in the adopted budget.

Layoff means a separation from employment because of organizational changes, lack of work, lack of funds, or for other reasons not reflecting discredit upon the employee.

Part-time means a position in which the scheduled hours of work are less than 40 hours per week but at least 20 hours or more per week and which is provided for in the adopted budget.

Human Resources Director means the employee appointed by the Chief Operating Officer to

administer the provisions of this chapter, regardless of whether the person is also a Department Director.

Represented employee means an employee who is in a recognized or certified bargaining unit.

Separation is the cessation of employment with Metro not reflecting discredit upon the employee.

Status refers to the standing of an employee.

Termination means the cessation of employment with Metro. [Ord. 81-116, Sec. 6; Ord. 94-523B; Ord. 95-602A, Sec. 1; Ord. 02-965A, Sec. 1; Ord. 05-1082, Sec. 1.]