

AB 2561 Compliance:

Vacancies and Recruitment and Retention Efforts

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Presentation Agenda

- 1. AB 2561 Summary
- 2. Workforce Overview
- 3. Vacancy Information
- 4. Recruitment Cycle and Efforts
- 5. Retention Statistics and Efforts



AB 2561 Summary

- ➤ Effective January 1, 2025, Assembly Bill 2561 mandates that public agencies present the status of job vacancies and recruitment and retention efforts at a public hearing before their governing body at least once per fiscal year prior to the adoption of the final budget.
 - ► Applies to public agencies subject to the Meyers-Milias-Brown Act (Gov. Code Section 3502.3).
 - First presentation under the new law.



Workforce Overview

- Total Budgeted/Authorized Full-Time Positions for calendar year ending December 31, 2024: 64
- Services Rendered to Public by Budgeted/Authorized Workforce:
 - City Manager's Office
 - City Clerk's Office
 - Community Development (Planning, Building, Code Enforcement)
 - Finance (Information Technology)
 - Human Resources
 - Parks & Recreation
 - Police/Public Safety
 - Public Works (Engineering & Maintenance)



Vacancy Information

Employee Group	# of Budgeted Positions	# of Vacancies	Vacancy Rate
Teamsters Local 315	24	1	4.17%
Hercules Police Officers' Association	23	1	4.35%
Executive Level Employees	6	1	16.67%
Mid-Management Employees	3	0	0%
Non-Represented Employees	7	0	0%

As of December 31, 2024



Recruitment Life Cycle

Vacancy Approved Recruitment Opened Applicant Screening

Interview & Testing

Eligibility List

Conditional
Offer &
Background
Check

Start Date and New Employee Orientation



Recruitment Efforts

- Enhanced Job Postings
 - ► NEOGOV/Governmentjobs.com
- Enhanced Advertising
- Collaboration with Hiring Managers/Departments
- Comprehensive Benefits Package



Retention Statistics

Calendar Year 2024	Count
Total Vacancies	4
Vacancies Created by Newly Budgeted Positions	1
Vacancies Created by Internal Promotions and Transfers	0
Vacancies Created by Retirement	1
Vacancies Created by Resignation	2
Vacancies Created by Involuntary Separation	0
Retention Rate	94%



Retention Efforts

- Work-Life Balance Initiatives
 - ► Four-day, 38-hour workweek for non-sworn employees
 - ► Telecommuting options available for eligible positions
- ▶ Comprehensive Benefits Package
- Professional Development Programs
- Supportive Work Environment
 - Collaborative culture fostering teamwork and innovation
- Community Engagement and Recognition



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QUESTIONS

