

2006 Civil Service Annual Report



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Introduction

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March 7, 2007

Honorable Mayor and City Council
City of Sioux Falls
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In accordance with Section 30-69 of the Civil Service Ordinance, the Civil Service Board respectfully submits its 67th Annual Report, for the year 2006.

The Board gratefully acknowledges the continued support of the Mayor, the City Council, and the City employees in maintaining the Civil Service System.

Respectfully submitted,

Civil Service Board
Barb Ohme, Member
Melissa Hinton, Member
Mary Hitzemann, Member
James Moore, Chairman
Jennifer Holsen, Secretary

Civil Service Board Review

The Civil Service Board consists of four members who are resident taxpayers of the city of Sioux Falls. The members are appointed by the Mayor and serve a five-year term. The Civil Service Board shall adopt, amend, and enforce rules and regulations providing for the appointment and employment of all positions in the City classification system. All rules are subject to the approval of the Mayor. The Board is responsible for certifying all entrance and promotional/transfer eligibility lists. The Civil Service Board conducts hearings and renders decisions in response to appeals from civil service employees from action resulting in reduction, suspension, demotion, or discharge by City management. The Board has the power to administer oaths and the power to secure by its subpoena both the attendance and testimony of witnesses and the production of papers relevant to the hearing if necessary. All actions of the Civil Service Board are subject to judicial review by statutes and rules of the court. The Civil Service Board provides guidance and makes recommendations regarding employment activities and testing procedures.

Civil Service Board Activities in 2006

During 2006, the Civil Service Board convened for six meetings. The regular agenda items include: approval of minutes of previous meeting, approval of advertising for stated positions, approval of applications for stated positions, the certification of eligible lists, and ordering all personnel actions recorded. Any member of the classification system can ask to be included on the agenda to discuss any clarification, modification, or deletion of Civil Service language.

Discussion and/or action taken in 2006 included:

- James Moore nominated as Chairperson.
- Extended eligibility lists for Animal Control Officer, Civil Engineer, Collection Technician, Dental Assistant, Equipment Operator, Forensic Specialist, Library Assistant, Maintenance Mechanic, Police Sergeant, Public Health Lab Supervisor, Technical Clerk—Fire, Traffic Devices Service Worker, and Vehicle Equipment Worker.
- Adopted a revision to Civil Service Rule 6, Section G, pertaining to Police Promotional Examination Scoring.

Human Resources

Human Resources operates under the direct supervision and direction of the Mayor of Sioux Falls. The Director is appointed by the Mayor, on the advice and consent of the City Council. The Director has ultimate responsibility for the overall operation, planning, development, and administration of the department, Citywide benefits, civil service system, personnel policies and procedures, labor relations activities, and human relations.

The department is comprised of four major functional divisions: Employment/Training, Labor Relations/Pension, Benefits and Compensation, and Human Relations/ADA. A staff of ten provides support in these divisions. The department has both staff and line responsibilities: supports, advises, and assists departmental supervisors and managers, and performs duties and activities directly relating to City operations.

Recruitment Activities in 2006

- Participated in the second annual Diversity Fair to attract individuals of all races.
- Mailed 52 vacancy job postings to 100+ agencies and schools.
- Lead sponsor for the Business Leadership Network, Expo 2006, to attract individuals with disabilities.
- Participated in the annual BIG (Business, Industry, Government) Job Fair.
- Posted all external job openings with the South Dakota Career Center.
- Posted all external job openings on the City's Internet site (77 percent of the applicants applied online).
- Advertised all external job openings in the *Argus Leader* and industry-specific websites and publications as deemed necessary.
- Ranked No. 4 in a national disability award competition, with judges giving praise for our partnership with the Business Leadership Network in connecting people with disabilities to jobs.

Civil Service Employment Activities in 2006

- As of December 31, 2006, there were 1,032 civil service employees of the City of Sioux Falls.
- 39 entrance lists were established.
- 25 promotion/transfer lists were certified.
- 76 individuals were hired into civil service positions.
- 55 civil service employees were promoted/transferred.
- 20 civil service employees were reclassified or reassigned.
- 36 civil service employees retired.
- 31 civil service employees resigned.

Human Resource Programs

Employment and Training

- Entrance Recruitment and Hiring Process
- Civil Service Promotion/Transfer Process
- Preemployment Testing/Interview Process
- Temporary Labor Force Coordination
- Orientation of New Employees
- Supervisory Training/Management Development
- Education/Tuition Assistance Programs
- Employee Assistance Plan/Counseling
- Employee Recognition Program Administration
- Employee Communications/Publications
- Personnel/HR Record Keeping

Compensation and Benefits

- Wage/Salary Administration
- Position Classification Plan Administration
- Job Analysis
- Job Evaluation
- Leave Policy and Administration (Vacation, Sick Leave, Funeral, FMLA, LWOP)
- Insurance Benefits Administration
- Unemployment Compensation
- Flexible Spending Account Administration
- Human Resource Information Systems
- Payroll Administration
- Health/Wellness Programs

Employee Relations/Pension

- Union/Labor Relations
- Exit Interviews
- Grievance/Complainant Handling
- Disciplinary Procedures
- Labor Contract Negotiations/Administration
- Performance Appraisal Plan Administration
- Deferred Compensation Plan Administration
- Pension Plan Administration
- Pre-retirement Counseling/Retirement Planning
- City's Alcohol and Drug Testing Program Administration

Civil Rights/ADA

- Civil Rights Discrimination Complaint Investigation/Process
- Internal Harassment/Discrimination Complaint Process
- Return to Work/Reasonable Accommodation Process
- ADA Accessibility Compliance
- Paratransit Appeal Process
- EEO Compliance/Affirmative Action Plan Administration

Summary of Civil Service Personnel Actions January 1 to December 31, 2006

Meetings held by the Civil Service Board.....	6
Eligible lists	64
Entrance	39
Promotional/Transfer	25
Gain in Civil Service.....	76
New employees added.....	76
Losses from Civil Service.....	69
Terminated from Civil Service	4
Retirement	36
Resignations.....	31
Death.....	0
Civil Service to appointed.....	2
Promotions	51
Transfers	3
Demotions.....	1
Reassignment/Reclassifications	20
Civil Service Appeals.....	0
Civil Service Census (December 31, 2006).....	1,032

**Number of employees by classification
as of December 31, 2006**

Occ. Code	Classification	2005 December	2006 December
116	Accountant	4	7
114	Accounting Technician	4	4
107	Administrative Assistant	16	16
298	Administrative Supervisor	1	1
089	Animal Control Officer	4	5
135	Application Support Analyst	6	6
046	Apprentice Engineering Technician	0	0
710	Apprentice Equipment Operator	0	0
542	Apprentice Traffic Devices Worker	0	0
554	Apprentice Utilities System Worker	0	1
100	Assistant City Attorney	3	2
005	Assistant City Clerk	2	2
910	Assistant City Engineer	1	3
081	Assistant Director of Building Services	1	1
141	Assistant Director of Finance	1	1
300	Assistant Director of Parks and Recreation	1	1
032	Assistant Director of Planning	1	1
085	Assistant Director of Public Health	1	1
083	Assistant Director of Public Works	1	1
026	Assistant Library Director	1	3
118	Auditor	1	0
037	Benefits Technician	2	2
113	Billing Cashier	7	6
099	Billing/Coding Specialist	2	2
018	Branch Librarian	3	2
580	Building Maintenance Mechanic	0	0
283	Building Maintenance Worker	9	9
412	Building Services Aide	3	3
601	Chemist	2	2
079	Chief Building Official	1	1
513	Chief Zoning Enforcement Officer	1	1
144	City Carrier	3	3
007	City Engineer	1	1
915	Civil Engineer (Non PE)	3	3
914	Civil Engineer (PE)	6	6
066	Clinic/Lab Aide	1	1
052	Clinical Data Manager	1	1

**Number of employees by classification
as of December 31, 2006**

Occ. Code	Classification	2005 December	2006 December
029	Clinical Services Manager	1	2
504	Code Enforcement Officer	1	1
572	Collection Specialist	2	2
562	Collection Supervisor	1	1
570	Collection Technician	11	11
501	Commercial Building Inspector	2	2
030	Community Development Manager	1	1
070	Community Development Program Specialist	4	4
123	Computer Operator	1	1
922	Contract Compliance Specialist	1	1
122	Contract/Bid Specialist	1	1
285	Custodial Worker	9	9
050	Dental Assistant	5	5
058	Dental Clerk	0	0
049	Dental Supervisor	1	1
337	District Park Supervisor	4	4
124	Document Specialist	3	3
241	Drafting Technician	1	1
411	Electrical Inspector	5	5
575	Electrician	2	2
576	Electronics Technician	1	1
243	Engineering Document Control Clerk	1	1
010	Engineering Technician	17	17
093	Environmental Analyst	5	5
549	Environmental Compliance Manager	1	1
906	Environmental Engineer	1	1
090	Environmental Health Specialist	2	1
091	Environmental Health Specialist (Certified)	4	4
600	Environmental Technician	2	2
711	Equipment Operator	35	35
527	Equipment Repair Supervisor	1	1
282	Facilities Manager	1	1
207/208	Fire Apparatus Operator	42	49
211	Fire Battalion Chief	7	7
203	Fire Captain	40	40
212	Fire Division Chief	4	4
533	Fire Equipment Mechanic	2	2

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as of December 31, 2006**

Occ. Code	Classification	2005 December	2006 December
209	Fire Inspector	6	5
214	Fire Protection Engineer, P.E.	0	1
210	Firefighter	66	72
084	Fiscal Services Coordinator	1	1
529	Fleet Maintenance Coordinator	1	1
930	Fleet Operations Manager	1	1
104	Forensic Chemist	2	2
112	Forensic Specialist	2	2
016	GIS Analyst	1	1
044	GIS Supervisor	1	1
045	GIS Technician	2	2
071	Grant Fiscal Specialist	1	1
073	Graphic Design Specialist	1	1
027	Health Program Coordinator	2	1
584	Heating and Cooling Maintenance Mechanic	1	0
413	Housing Inspector	1	1
149	HRIS/Payroll Specialist	1	1
921	Human Relations Assistant	1	1
146	Human Resources Clerk	1	1
036	Human Resources Manager	4	4
142	Information Technology Manager	1	1
138	Information Technology Supervisor	1	1
599	Laboratory Technician	0	0
900	Laborer	4	4
739	Landfill Equipment Operator	5	5
734	Landfill Recycling Coordinator	1	1
737	Landfill Scale Operator	2	2
738	Landfill Service Worker	4	4
284	Lead Building Maintenance Worker	1	1
712	Lead Equipment Operator	12	13
713	Lead Landfill Equipment Operator	2	2
578	Lead Maintenance Mechanic	3	4
574	Lead Mechanic	2	2
128	Lead Media Specialist	2	2
239	Lead Parking Equipment Service Technician	1	1
960	Lead Police Records Clerk	1	1
557	Lead Utilities System Worker	5	6

**Number of employees by classification
as of December 31, 2006**

Occ. Code	Classification	2005 December	2006 December
732	Lead Wastewater Operator	5	5
726	Lead Water Operator	1	0
727	Lead Water Operator (Certified)	4	5
720	Lead Water Service Technician	1	1
101	Legal Assistant	1	1
023	Librarian	5	6
020	Library Assistant	21	20
022	Library Associate	17	15
077	Library Clerk	5	5
021	Library Technician	2	2
067	Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)	2	2
520	Light Superintendent	1	1
522	Light Supervisor	1	1
523	Line Worker	7	7
577	Maintenance Mechanic	10	10
724	Maintenance Supervisor	2	2
530	Mechanic	9	9
503	Mechanical Inspector	3	3
065	Media Services Manager	1	1
053	Medical Assistant	2	2
095	Medical Transcriptionist	1	1
136	Network Administrator	1	1
074	Nurse Case Manager	1	1
555	Operations Supervisor	2	2
102	Paralegal	1	1
338	Park Caretaker	12	11
341	Park Carpenter	1	0
340	Park Central Services Supervisor	1	1
299	Park Development Specialist	0	1
335	Park Forestry Caretaker	2	2
336	Park Forestry Supervisor	1	1
741	Park Mechanic	2	2
952	Park Operations Manager	1	0
339	Park Service Worker	22	23
240	Parking Equipment Service Technician	1	1
238	Parking Lot Attendant	3	3
235	Parking Patrol	6	6

**Number of employees by classification
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Occ. Code	Classification	2005 December	2006 December
150	Parts Worker	5	5
097	Patient Support Technician	5	5
500	Plans Examiner	3	3
511	Plumbing Inspector	3	3
223	Police Captain	3	3
111	Police Division Clerk	4	4
224	Police Lieutenant	10	11
228	Police Officer	177	171
108	Police Records Clerk	10	10
106	Police Records Supervisor	1	1
225	Police Sergeant	28	29
913	Principal Engineer	7	6
139	Production/Programming Specialist	2	2
131	Programmer	0	0
133	Programmer Advanced	2	1
134	Programmer Analyst	2	3
043	Project Services Assistant	1	1
057	Public Health Lab Manager	1	1
054	Public Health Scientist I	1	1
056	Public Health Scientist II	2	2
237	Public Parking Facilities Supervisor	1	1
127	Publishing Specialist	3	3
143	Purchasing Assistant	2	2
119	Purchasing Coordinator	1	1
068	Radiology and Lab Technologist	1	1
069	Real Estate Specialist	2	2
028	Records Coordinator	0	1
951	Recreation Manager	1	1
287	Recreation Program Coordinator	3	3
288	Recreation Program Specialist	2	7
059	Registered Nurse (RN)	4	4
502	Residential Building Inspector	2	2
561	Residue Coordinator	1	1
924	Right-of-Way Coordinator	1	1
926	Risk Manager and Emergency Manager	1	1
147	Risk Specialist	0	1
736	Sanitary Landfill Superintendent	1	1

**Number of employees by classification
as of December 31, 2006**

Occ. Code	Classification	2005 December	2006 December
740	Sanitary Landfill Supervisor	1	1
115	Senior Accountant	4	4
041	Senior Engineering Technician	2	2
017	Senior Librarian	4	2
051	Social Worker	1	1
552	Street Maintenance Supervisor	4	4
550	Street/Utility Manager	1	1
242	Subdivision Site Plan Checker	1	1
109	Technical Clerk	19	21
024	Technical Services Librarian	1	2
130	Technical Support Specialist	5	5
098	Traffic Devices Maintenance Supervisor	1	1
546	Traffic Devices Service Worker	7	7
062	Transit Planner	1	1
072	Transportation Planner	1	1
063	Urban Planner	4	4
556	Utilities System Worker	10	8
547	Utility Metering/Billing Manager	1	1
548	Utility Systems Supervisor	0	1
735	Vehicle/Equipment Service Worker	2	3
730	Wastewater Operator	6	6
537	Wastewater Superintendent	1	1
725	Water Operator	5	5
602	Water Quality Analyst	1	1
721	Water Service Technician	7	7
536	Water Superintendent	1	1
132	Webmaster	2	2
405	Welder	1	1
047	Word Processor	6	5
512	Zoning Enforcement Officer	4	4
Total Employees		1,014	1,032

Disciplinary Actions 2006

Written Reprimands*	28
Written Reprimands for Performance:	20
Police	13
Public Works/Water Reclamation	1
Attorneys	1
Fire	3
Community Development/Public Parking	2
Written Reprimands for Conduct:	8
Public Works/Street	2
Public Works/Water Service	1
Health	1
Police	2
Planning/Building Services	1
Fire	1
Suspensions:	19
Suspensions for Performance:	4
Police	2
Public Works/Water Reclamation	1
Public Works/Landfill	1
Suspensions for Conduct:	12
Police	4
Public Works/Street	1
Public Works/Fleet	1

Public Works/Water Service	3
Park	1
Public Works/Landfill	1
Health	1
Suspensions for Performance and Conduct Unbecoming an Officer/Employee:	3
Fire	1
Police	2
Demotions:	1
Demotions for Performance	1
Public Works/Street	1
Terminations	4
Terminations for Violation of Drug and Alcohol Plan:	2
Public Works/Engineering	1
Police	1
Terminations for Performance:	1
Attorney	1
Resignations/Dismissals within Probation Period:	1
Fire	1

*Written Reprimands are being documented for reporting purposes only. Such disciplinary action is not subject to or covered by the civil service appeal process.