

Decision Paper

Richard Ortiz

Request for Extension of LOD Leave

Issue

Richard Ortiz, Fire Engineer, assigned to Engine 5A, seeks an extension of Line of Duty leave from April 2, 2022 to August 15, 2022 for an injury suffered while on duty on August 21, 2016. This extension will restore 1,080 hours, or 45 shifts, of accrued leave that was used for this injury. In accordance with Texas Local Government Code Chapter 143.073, this extension requires an approval by City Council. The department needs to submit a request for ordinance that will include the Fire Chief's recommendation.

Facts

- Date of injury – August 21, 2016.
- Fire Engineer Ortiz was injured assisting a patient.
- On Line of Duty leave from August 22, 2016 until March 20, 2017 and October 29, 2021 until April 1, 2022. He began using additional accrued leave on April 2, 2022 until August 15, 2022.
- Fire Engineer Ortiz returned to duty on August 16, 2022.

Considerations

Recommendation

Fire Department staff recommends approval.

☒ Approved ☐ Disapproved


Charles N. Hood, Fire Chief

1/26/23
Date

