



Agenda Item #: _____

Staff Report

City of Manhattan Beach

TO: Honorable Mayor Wilson and Members of the City Council

THROUGH: Geoff Dolan, City Manager

FROM: Marcie Scott, Human Resources Director
Susie Myers, Human Resources Technician

DATE: February 1, 2005

SUBJECT: Introduction of New Employees and Presentation of Service Awards

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the following:

- 1) Introduction of new employees from the Fire and Police Departments; and
- 2) Presentation of commemorative certificates and pins to employees who have completed 15 or more years of service to the City.

FISCAL IMPLICATION:

There are no fiscal implications associated with the recommended actions.

BACKGROUND:

The City has a tradition of welcoming new employees by introducing them at Council meetings. This gives new employees an opportunity to meet the Councilmembers and Department Heads and experience firsthand how Council meetings are conducted in the City.

The City also has a program for presenting commemorative certificates and pins to employees who have been with the City for 15 years or more.

DISCUSSION:

1) Introduction of New Employees

Police Officer Brian Kowan graduated from the LA County Sheriff's Academy. He grew up in Torrance and attended West High. Due to his interest in law enforcement, he joined the U.S. Coast Guard and was stationed in Alameda, California. He was transferred to Corpus Christi, Texas where he was involved in safety inspections, search and rescue missions and Homeland Security patrol.

Police Officer Benjamin Cavallone is a graduate of the Orange County Sheriff's Academy. He attended Culver City High School and Santa Monica College. He has successfully completed his field training and is now working patrol on day shift.

Police Officer Richard Hatten II is also a graduate of the Orange County Sheriff's Academy. He holds a Bachelor's Degree in Political Science from UCLA. He worked in the computer industry before joining our Police Department. He is currently assigned to patrol.

Rudy Mejia joined the Fire Department as a Firefighter/Paramedic in November, 2004. He attended El Camino College and the Paramedic Training Institute. He previously worked as a Paid-Call Firefighter with the City and as a Firefighter/Paramedic with the City of South Pasadena.

Tyler Wade joined the Fire Department over two years ago as a Paid-Call Firefighter. He attended Ventura Community College, El Camino College and the Paramedic Training Institute. He was hired for the full-time position of Firefighter/Paramedic in November 2004.

Officer Tim Zins will introduce his new K-9 partner, Rex.

2) Presentation of Service Awards

The City wishes to recognize tonight the following employees for their dedicated service:

Calixto Martinez	30 years	Foreman, Public Works Department
Dan O'Neill	25 years	Fire Engineer/Paramedic, Fire Department
Larry Randall	20 years	Fire Engineer/Paramedic, Fire Department
Vincent Kennar	15 years	Community Services Officer, Police Department
Robert Osborne	15 years	Management Analyst, Community Development Dept.
Michael Accardo	15 years	Carpenter, Public Works Department

The following employee is not able to attend tonight's meeting, but the City wishes to recognize him for his dedicated service:

Ken Shuck	25 years	Battalion Chief, Fire Department
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