City of Stockton

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PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATIONS MANAGER

DEFINITION

Under general direction, the Public Safety Telecommunications Manager plans, organizes, and directs the programs and operations of the 24-hour emergency communications center for the Police Department; designs, deploys and maintains all communication equipment/systems, and public safety information system; ensures compliance with applicable federal, state, and local laws, codes, and policies; supervises Section staff; advises the Police Chief and command staff on telecommunications issues; and performs related duties as assigned.

CLASS CHARACTERISTICS

This single position (non-sworn) management classification in the Stockton Police Department is responsible for managing staff and activities within the Telecommunications Section of the Support Services Division. This position has extensive contact with Police managers and staff, other City employees, various public and private organizations, and the general public. General direction is provided by the Division Commander. Assignments allow for a high degree of administrative decision making when representing the department in meetings with other agencies, boards and commissions, and community groups.

PRINCIPAL DUTIES (Illustrative Only)

Duties may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Plans, organizes, staffs, directs, and controls the activities of the Telecommunications Section;
 establishes priorities and work plans; recommends appropriate service and staffing levels.
- Oversees the development and implementation of division goals, objectives, policies, and procedures; conducts a variety of organizational and operational analyses; recommends modifications to telecommunications operations, policies, and procedures; develops and oversees the implementation of strategies to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of division operations.
- Manages, develops, recommends, and oversees the preparation and administration of the section budget.
- Selects, assigns, trains, and evaluates subordinate staff; provides professional and technical
 guidance to staff; works with employees to correct deficiencies; recommends and implements
 disciplinary procedures.
- Makes decisions on behalf of the Department in the absence of superiors in accordance with departmental policies, rules, regulations, and procedures.
- Responds to emergency situations which may arise in the communications center during offduty hours.

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- Maintains awareness of applicable legislation and assures division compliance with laws, regulations, and codes relevant to the Telecommunications Section; informs and educates staff regarding changes.
- Serves as a liaison for the section with internal and external groups; receives and responds to citizen inquiries and complaints; coordinates the activities of the Telecommunications Section with other divisions, departments, and agencies.
- Represents the telecommunications center to local and national groups; attends and participates in various meetings, classes, conferences and workshops.
- Directs and/or participates in the preparation of complex statistical and narrative reports, correspondence, and other documents; makes or assigns presentations to individuals and/or groups as requested.
- Administers, evaluates, and recommends the implementation of new technology related to public safety communications.
- Represents the City with dignity, integrity, and the spirit of cooperation in all relations with staff and the public.
- Fosters an environment that embraces integrity, service, inclusion and collaboration.
- Builds and maintains positive working relationships with co-workers, other City employees and the public using principles of good customer service.
- Performs related duties as assigned.

QUALIFICATIONS

Knowledge of:

- Principles and practices of employee supervision, including selection, training, evaluation and discipline;
- Principles and practices of public administration including personnel and program management and budgeting; developing and implementing goals and objectives and applying them to guide and define both communications operations and employee performance through the use of work plans;
- Modern methods and procedures involved in the operation of complex public safety dispatching computer, radio, and telephone systems, including tactical communications and/or experience working large scale incidents;
- Principles and practices of work-load forecasting and staffing models in an extended-hours environment;
- Public safety records management systems; principles and practices of record keeping;
- Policies, procedures, and precedents pertaining to the dispatching of emergency equipment; standard radio broadcasting procedures and FCC rules; CLETS and NCIC, provision of California vehicle and penal codes, and NENA, APCO, CCUG, and CLEARS resources and practices; information technology, personal computers and related software applications;
- Office procedures, methods and equipment including computers, and applicable software applications, such as word processing, spreadsheets, and databases; and
- Occupational hazards and standard safety practices.

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Skill in:

- Managing the operations and activities of a public safety communications center;
- Evaluating and presenting communications center needs;
- Directing the appropriate response to emergency situations as they arise;
- Supervising, planning, organizing, assigning, directing, reviewing and evaluating the work of assigned staff;
- Analyzing complex technical problems, evaluating alternatives and making sound, independent judgments within established guidelines;
- Developing, implementing and interpreting goals, objectives, policies, procedures, work standards and internal controls;
- Interpreting and applying laws, regulations, policies and procedures;
- Preparing clear, concise and competent analytical and technical reports, correspondence and other written materials;
- Using computer applications and technology effectively to complete assigned work in a timely manner;
- Establishing and maintaining effective working relationships with those contacted in the course of the work;
- Conducting presentations before the public, City Council, boards, commissions and other bodies;
- Reading, interpreting, applying and explaining applicable codes, ordinances, laws, regulations, policies and legal requirements;
- Utilizing two-way radios and appropriate personal protective equipment, safety procedures and practices for assigned duties;
- Contributing effectively to the accomplishments of City goals, objectives and activities;
- Organizing work, setting priorities, and exercising sound, independent judgment within established guidelines;
- Presenting evidence and giving testimony to administrative hearing officers and judges;
- Preparing accurate and detailed documentation of inspection findings and other written materials;
- Understanding customers' perspective, concerns, needs and requests; and
- Being professional and keeping calm during hostile interactions.

Education:

Possession of a Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university with major course work in criminal justice, public or business administration, or a closely related field.

Experience:

Five years of public safety communications experience, including three years of supervisory experience, at least two of which must be at a level equivalent to a Police Telecommunications Supervisor classification.

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Substitution:

Additional supervisory public safety communications dispatch experience may substitute for the required education on a year-for-year basis.

Other Requirements:

- Possession of a valid California driver's license.
- Specialized training and/or certification may be required depending on assignment as prescribed by local, state, and/or federal law or regulation.
- As a condition of continued employment, employees assigned to specific areas may be required to obtain and maintain specific valid certifications or training as required by the Chief of Police.

Physical/Mental Abilities:

- Mobility Frequent sitting for long periods of time while operating a keyboard; occasional walking, squatting, climbing stairs, kneeling, twisting, and crawling;
- Lifting Occasional lifting and carrying of up to 25 pounds or less;
- Vision Constant use of overall visual capabilities; ability to read and produce printed material and information displayed on a visual display terminal;
- Dexterity Constant use of dominate hand with repetitive use, simple grasping using either hand; occasional holding, pushing, pulling, and reaching above and below shoulder level;
- Hearing/Talking Continuous listening to and talking of normal speech, frequently over noise, in person, by telephone, and in group settings;
- Special Requirements Primarily work day shifts, frequently work evenings and nights, and occasionally work weekends; may require driving;
- Emotional/Psychological Ability to concentrate, make decisions, and work with the public; exposure to unpleasant living conditions/situations involving children and the elderly; occasional encounters with irate/disturbed individuals; ability to exercise sound judgment, especially under stressful situations; and working independently and/or in group settings;
- Environmental Conditions Occasional to moderate exposure to noise, obnoxious odors, fumes, dust, extreme heat/cold, hazardous materials/substances; work around equipment and machinery; and
- Working Conditions Primarily performed in an office environment which is moderately quiet but may be loud at times and at some locations.

This class specification should not be interpreted as all inclusive. It is intended to identify the essential functions and requirement of this job. Incumbents may be requested to perform job-related responsibilities and tasks other than those stated in this specification. Any essential function or requirement of this class will be evaluated as necessary should an incumbent/applicant be unable to perform the function or requirement due to a disability as defined by the American with Disabilities Act (ADA). Reasonable accommodation for the specific disability will be made for the incumbent/applicant when possible.

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