Bozeman Police Department

Policy Manual

Special Assignments and Promotions

1002.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to establish guidelines for promotions and for making special assignments within the Bozeman Police Department.

1002.2 POLICY

The Bozeman Police Department determines assignments and promotions in a non-discriminatory manner based upon job-related factors and candidate skills and qualifications. Assignments and promotions are made by the Chief of Police.

1002.3 SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT POSITIONS

Special assignment positions are a type of duty that do not include a promotion or affect the rank of the member. They generally consist of specific duties, either full-time, or part-time, that include a particular focus or for which there may be a competitive desire among several officers for individual positions, and therefore there should be a selection process

1002.3.1 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

The following requirements should be considered when selecting a candidate for a special assignment:

- (a) Relevant experience and total law enforcement experience
- (b) Off probation
- (c) Possession of or ability to obtain any certification required by POST or law
- (d) Exceptional skills, experience or abilities related to the special assignment

1002.3.2 EVALUATION CRITERIA

The following criteria will be used in evaluating candidates for a special assignment:

- (a) Expressed an interest in the assignment.
- (b) Is positively viewed by peers and supervisors who generally agree they would be a good fit for the position.
- (c) Demonstrates the following traits:
 - 1. Emotional stability and maturity
 - 2. Stress tolerance
 - 3. Sound judgment and decision-making
 - 4. Personal integrity and ethical conduct
 - 5. Leadership skills
 - 6. Initiative
 - 7. Adaptability and flexibility

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- 8. Ability to conform to department goals and objectives in a positive manner
- (d) Results of any selection process

1002.3.3 SELECTION PROCESS

The selection process for special assignments may include oral interviews, written testing or other appropriately designed benchmarks, and will include an administrative evaluation as determined by the Chief of Police or designee to include:

- (a) Supervisor recommendations
- (b) Division Commander interview The Division Commander may schedule interviews with each candidate.
- (c) Assignment by the Chief of Police.

The selection process for all special assignment positions may be waived for temporary assignments, emergency situations, training and at the discretion of the Chief of Police.

1002.4 PROMOTIONAL REQUIREMENTS

Requirements and information regarding any promotional process are available at the Bozeman Human Resources Department.