

ORDER #

Veteran Preference for City Employment

WHEREAS, The City of Methuen recognizes the dedication and courage of all residents of the City of Methuen who are serving and who have served in the respective military branches of the United States of America including those individuals currently serving in both Iraq and Afghanistan; and

WHEREAS, these Individuals risked their lives each and every day for the protection and preservation of the principles and ideals of our great country; and

WHEREAS, These individuals upon completion of their tour of duty and discharge from the respective military service find during their reentry into the mainstream of our society difficulty in finding or securing any meaningful and gainful full or part-time employment; and

WHEREAS, In recognition and appreciation of their service to our country under the most difficult of circumstances;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. That upon availability of any position of employment with the City of Methuen or the vacancy of any existing position in the employ of the City of Methuen whether the same be part-time or full-time, that those veterans referenced above shall be given top priority for the purposes of filling said position;
2. Any and all veterans applying for said position shall meet all the required qualifications necessary for the performance of said duties of such position;
3. Any and all hiring contemplated hereunder shall be only for those positions presently existing in the current workforce of the City of Methuen and does not contemplate the creation of any new position therefor.

AMENDMENT:

“All veterans referenced above who wish to be considered for employment as contemplated herein shall register their name, address and job preference according to their experience with the Human Resources Department. The Human Resources Department shall develop and maintain said register which shall be provided to the appropriate appointing authority upon the availability of any position as designated herein.”

First Read: August 4, 2008
Adopted: September 3, 2008
Effective: October 3, 2008

I do hereby certify that at a meeting of which a quorum was present, the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Methuen City Council by a unanimous vote on September 3, 2008.

Council Clerk

Council Chairman

Approved under MHRC Sec. 3-6

Date: _____

Approved:

William M. Manzi, III
Mayor