

## **Personnel Policy**

## Recruitment and Employment **Promotion**

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**Promotion** 

Promotion is the movement of an employee from one position to a vacant position in a class assigned to a higher salary range.

It is the Town's policy to create career opportunities for its employees whenever possible. Therefore, when a current employee applying for a vacant position is best suited of all applicants, that applicant shall be appointed to that position. The Town will balance three goals in the employment process:

- 1) the benefits to employees and the organization of promotion from within;
- 2) providing equal employment opportunity and a diversified workforce to the community; and
- 3) obtaining the best possible employee who will provide the most productivity in that position.

Therefore, except in rare situations where previous Town experience is essential or exceptional qualifications of an internal candidate so indicate, the Town will consider external and internal candidates for selection rather than automatically promote from within. Candidates for promotion shall be chosen on the basis of their qualifications and their work records. Internal candidates shall apply for promotions using the same application process as external candidates.

Promoted employees shall be required to successfully complete a probationary period in the new position.