The City Manager's Office is committed to providing on-going quality municipal services and to promoting the overall safety, health and general well-being of the community through the teamwork of the City Council, City Boards and Commissions, City Staff and all of Burbank's citizenry.
Understanding City of Burbank Organizational Charts

The City of Burbank utilizes ‘Hierarchical’ Organizational Charts (also known as the “Chain of Command”) to demonstrate the structure of our organization. The example chart, descriptions, and abbreviations below are provided to assist users review and comprehend the City’s Organizational Charts for Fiscal Year 2021-2022.

1. Horizontal lines (example: see letter a at right) denote lateral or ‘side by side’ relationships—relationships between employees (and/or divisions) who are at the same, equal level of authority. In this example, both Assistant Directors report to the Director.

2. Vertical lines (see letters b and c) denote line relationships—direct relationships between superior and subordinate(s). For example, under Accounting, the Analyst reports to the Manager, who reports to the Assistant Director, who—in turn—reports to the Director.

3. When (multiple) rectangles are connected (see letter d) this indicates that more than one employee reports to the same supervisor. In this example, three Clerks (on an equal footing) report to the Senior Administrative Analyst in the Planning Division.

4. A position shown attached horizontally outside of the vertical hierarchy (see letter e) indicates an employee who falls outside of the normal chain of command. Positions such as this report to someone on a higher tier or other employees, but those employees do not report up to them (the Assistant Director reports to the Director, but not to the Executive Assistant in the example shown).

5. A solid line indicates a direct relationship while a dashed line (not shown) indicates that an employee (or division) is more indirectly associated with another. The employee might assist one manager, but report to and is evaluated by a different manager.

6. A double-lined rectangle represents Executive, BMA, Unrepresented positions and Battalion Chiefs (an example is the Senior Administrative Analyst).

7. A single-lined rectangle represents all non-management positions (an example is the Intermediate Clerk).

8. Letter f (see the arrow at right) is reflective of the number of full-time equivalents (FTE) budgeted and the employee group the classification falls under. For example, “3.8(0)/B” would signify that 8 employees are budgeted at 3.8 FTEs and these employees are part of the Burbank City Employees’ Association.

Abbreviations

B: Burbank City Employees’ Association (BCEA)
E: Executive
e: Civil Service Exempt
F: Burbank Fire Fighters (BFF)
i: International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW)
M: Burbank Management Association (BMA)
P: Burbank Police Officers’ Association (BPOA)
U: Fire Fighter Recruit and Police Recruit
Y: Burbank Fire Fighters Chief Officers’ Unit (BFFCOU)
Z: Unrepresented

The Management Services Department of the City of Burbank prepares and manages the City’s Organizational Charts.