

ORDINANCE NO. 2019-

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 58 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF LEAGUE CITY ENTITLED “LAW ENFORCEMENT” BY AMENDING DIVISION 1 OF ARTICLE II, ENTITLED “POLICE” TO UPDATE AND CODIFY EXISTING REGULATIONS THAT ESTABLISHED THE POLICE DEPARTMENT; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION, PUBLICATION, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, under Article X, Section 27 of the League City Charter, the City Council is authorized to create by ordinance a Police Department consisting of Chief of Police and such other personnel as necessary; and

WHEREAS, the City Council created a Police Department through Ordinance 1963-33 (“Establishment Ordinance”) on November 17, 1963; and

WHEREAS, the City wishes to update the Establishment Ordinance to reflect the current Council-Manager form of government and to formally incorporate the Establishment Ordinance into the League City’s Code of Ordinances so that it can be more-easily accessible to members of public; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LEAGUE CITY, TEXAS, as follows:

Section 1. That Chapter 58, *Law Enforcement*, of the City of League City Code of Ordinances, is hereby amended to AMEND Division 1, *Generally*, of Article II, *Police*, to read as follows:

DIVISION 1. – GENERALLY

Sec. 58-31. – Police Department Established.

There is hereby created a Police Department consisting of a Chief of Police and such other officers, patrolmen and employees as the City Manager may determine.

Sec. 58-32. – Appointment of Chief of Police.

The Chief of Police shall be appointed by the City Manager.

Sec. 58-33. – Authority of the Chief of Police.

The director of the police department shall be the Chief of Police. The Chief of Police shall appoint his own assistant(s) subject to the approval of the City Manager. The Chief of police shall have immediate direction and control of the police department subject to such rules, regulations and orders as may be prescribed by the City Manager and shall promulgate all orders, rules and regulations for the government of the police force.

Sec. 58-34. – Department Jurisdiction.

The jurisdiction of the League City Department is located within the city limits of the City, except in those situations as described in and provided for under state or other law.

Sec. 58-35. – 58-50. - Reserved

Section 2. Savings. All rights and remedies which have accrued in favor of the City under this Ordinance and amendments thereto shall be and are preserved for the benefit of the City.

Section 3. Severability. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held invalid, unconstitutional or otherwise unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct, and independent provision and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions thereof.

Section 4. Repealer. Ordinance 1963-33 is hereby repealed and replaced with this Ordinance. All other ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed but only to the extent of such conflict.

Section 5. Codification. It is the intent of the City Council of the City of League City, Texas, that the provisions of this Ordinance shall be codified in the City's official Code of Ordinances as provided hereinabove.

Section 6. Publication and Effective Date. The City Secretary shall cause this Ordinance, or its caption, to be published in the official newspaper of the City of League City, upon passage of such Ordinance. The Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon passage.

PASSED first reading the ____ day of _____, 2019.

PASSED second reading the ____ day of _____, 2019.

PASSED AND ADOPTED the ____ day of _____, 2019.

PAT HALLISEY
Mayor

ATTEST:

DIANA M. STAPP
City Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

NGHIEM V. DOAN
City Attorney