

ORDINANCE NO. 18-_____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GALVESTON, TEXAS, SPECIFYING THE NUMBER OF CLASSIFIED CIVIL SERVICE POLICE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL POSITIONS AT 163; INCREASING THE NUMBER OF POLICE OFFICER POSITIONS FROM 127 TO 132; MAKING VARIOUS FINDINGS AND PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE SUBJECT; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE OF JANUARY 25, 2018.

WHEREAS, while the City strives to maintain a high standard of Police operations, it has likewise sought opportunities for funding various positions, in whole or in part, through revenue streams other than the general fund; and

WHEREAS, the Police Department, through unified effort, has been approved for a grant from the COPS Hiring Program through the U.S. Department of Justice; and

WHEREAS, the COPS grant will be used to fund a total of seven (7) Police Officer positions; and

WHEREAS, while two of those positions were approved through the FY18 Budget, it is necessary to increase the number of Police Officer positions by five (5) so that the grant funds can be used in accordance with the terms of the COPS Hiring Program; and

WHEREAS, by increasing the total authorized strength of sworn officers, there will be more efficient law enforcement services within the City of Galveston's limits and its extraterritorial jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Galveston does hereby find it in the best interest of the public to increase the number of authorized classified Civil Service Police Department Personnel to 163 positions which will include 6 Lieutenants, 25 Sergeants, and 132 Police Officers, effective January 25, 2018.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GALVESTON, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. INCORPORATION OF RECITALS. The findings and recitals set out in the preamble to this Ordinance are found to be true and correct and they are adopted by the City Council and incorporated as part of this ordinance for all purposes.

SECTION 2. PURPOSE. As of January 25, 2018, the Police Department is authorized to and shall have the following classifications and number of positions in each such classification:

<u>CLASSIFICATION</u>	<u>NUMBER OF POSITIONS</u>
Lieutenant	6
Sergeant	25
Police Officer	132
TOTAL	163

SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY. It is hereby declared to be the intention of the City Council that the sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses, and phrases of this Ordinance are severable and, if any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section of this Ordinance should be declared invalid by the final judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity, shall not affect any of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs or sections of this Ordinance.

SECTION 4. REPEALER. All Ordinances or parts thereof in conflict herewith, are repealed to the extent of such conflict only.

SECTION 5. PUBLICLY AVAILABLE. In accordance with the provisions of Sections 12 and 13 of Article II of the City Charter of this Ordinance has been publicly available in the office of the City Secretary for not less than 72 hours prior to its adoption; that this Ordinance may be read and published by descriptive caption only.

SECTION 6. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Ordinance shall be and become effective on January 25, 2018, after its adoption and publication in accordance with the provisions of the Charter of the City of Galveston.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

I, Janelle Williams, Secretary of the City Council of the City of Galveston, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of an Ordinance adopted by the City Council of the City of Galveston at its regular meeting held on the 25th day of January, 2018, as the same appears in records of this office.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I subscribe my name hereto officially under the corporate seal of the City of Galveston this _____ day of _____, 2018.

Secretary for the City Council
of the City of Galveston