

ORDINANCE NO. O-21-23

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PALESTINE, TEXAS, RELATING TO THE CLASSIFICATIONS AND NUMBER OF POSITIONS FOR CITY OF PALESTINE POLICE OFFICERS PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 143 OF THE TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT THEREWITH; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Palestine has adopted civil service for its police department employees; and

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to create three additional positions within the police department; and

WHEREAS, it is the opinion of the City Council that the proper and efficient functioning of the Police Department of the City of Palestine will be well served by revising the makeup of the police department as provided.

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

SECTION 1 that Section 78-34 of the Code of Ordinances, City of Palestine, Texas, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 78-34 Composition of the Police Department

The Police Department of the City of Palestine shall consist of:

1 Police Chief;
2 Captains;
2 Lieutenants;
7 Sergeants;
7 Corporals; and
21 24 Police Officers.
40 43 TOTAL

SECTION 2 that the intent of the City Council is that this Ordinance and every portion thereof shall be considered separable; and the invalidity of any section, clause, or provision of this Ordinance shall not affect the validity of any other portion of this Ordinance.

SECTION 3 that all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent such conflict exists.

SECTION 4 that this Ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its passage and publication as required by law.

PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Palestine, Texas, at a regular meeting held on this the 11th day of September 2023.

MITCHELL W. JORDAN
MAYOR

ATTEST:

APRIL JACKSON
CITY SECRETARY

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



REZZIN PULLUM
CITY ATTORNEY