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POLICE DEPARTMENT

1. **ESTABLISHED.** There is hereby created and established the Police Department which shall be so organized and administered as the City Manager shall from time to time direct, and which shall consist of the Police Chief and such other officers and employees as the Council may from time to time authorize.

2. **CHIEF.** There is hereby created the office of Police Chief, the occupant whereof shall be appointed, and may be removed, by the City Manager at will.

3. **APPOINTMENTS AND RULES.** The Police Chief shall be the Director of the Police Department and shall be the appointing officer of the occupants of all classified positions assigned to said Department, and may make reasonable rules, regulations and directives not in conflict with law or ordinance to govern and administer the activities and carry out the duties and responsibilities thereof, subject to the direction and control of the City Manager.

4. **DEPARTMENT DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES.** The Police Department shall, under the direction and control of the City Manager, have the following duties and responsibilities:

- (a) To preserve the peace, order, safety and cleanliness of the City;
- (b) To enforce the laws of the State and the ordinances of the City;
- (c) To protect the rights of persons and property;

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(d) To take notice of all nuisances and to cause steps to be taken for the abatement thereof;

(e) To control traffic on the streets and public ways and encourage the safety thereof;

(f) To serve process in actions for violation of ordinances; and,

(g) To perform such other functions and duties as may be assigned from time to time by the City Manager.

5. **AUXILIARIES.** Under the direction and control of the City Manager, auxiliary police, in number from time to time authorized by the Council, may be appointed by the Police Chief, and such appointees may be removed by said Chief at will.

6. **APPOINTMENT.** Before any such auxiliary policeman is so appointed an investigation of the character and reputation of the candidate for appointment of such depth and scope as shall be deemed sufficient by the Police Chief shall be made. Prior to such appointment of any auxiliary policeman his fingerprints shall be taken and no person shall be appointed as such auxiliary policeman if he has been convicted of a felony or other crime involving moral turpitude.

7. **QUALIFICATIONS AND LIMITATIONS ON DUTIES.** Such auxiliary policemen shall not be members of the regular police department of the City and shall not supplement members of the regular police department in the performance of their assigned and normal duties except as otherwise provided in this chapter or as provided by applicable statute. Auxiliary policemen shall reside within the corporate limits of Macon County and within fifteen (15) miles of the corporate limits of the City of Decatur. The uniforms and identification symbols worn by such auxiliary policemen shall be different and distinct from those worn and used by members of the regular police department which uniforms and symbols shall be selected by the Police Chief. Auxiliary policemen shall at all times during the performance of their duties

be subject to the direction and control of the Police Chief.

(AMENDED BY ORDINANCE NO. 98-03, January 20, 1998)

8. **POWERS AND DUTIES.** When properly assigned and on duty and so authorized by the Police Chief, auxiliary policemen shall have the following powers and duties:

- (a) To aid or direct traffic both pedestrian and vehicular within the municipality;
- (b) To aid in the control of natural or man-made disasters;
- (c) To aid in case of civil disorder;
- (d) Auxiliary officers do not possess “conservator of the peace” powers;
(AMENDED, Ordinance No. 2006-107, November 6, 2006)
- (e) Auxiliary officers shall only have arrest powers as provided by Illinois State Statute regarding “Assisting a Peace Officer” or “Arrest by Private Person”;
(AMENDED, Ordinance No. 2006-107, November 6, 2006)

9. **FIREARMS.** Such auxiliary policemen shall not carry firearms except with the permission of the Police Chief and then only while in uniform and in the performance of their duties.

10. **TRAINING.** Such auxiliary policemen prior to entering upon any of their duties shall complete the 40 Hour Mandatory Firearms Training course and other police procedures as shall be conferred upon them hereunder which training and course of study shall be determined

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and provided by the Police Chief and which shall be reasonably sufficient to equip such auxiliary policemen to perform their duties and which course of training shall be not less than a total of sixty (60) hours in duration. The Police Chief shall file with the City Clerk a certificate attesting the successful completion of such training by each auxiliary policeman before such auxiliary policeman enters upon any duty. (AMENDED, Ordinance No. 2006-107, November 6, 2006)

11. **COMPENSATION.** That said auxiliary policemen shall serve without compensation, except as may be from time to time otherwise authorized by the Council.