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CITY OF CUYAHOGA FALLS, OHIO

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ordinance no. 105

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 129.01 OF TITLE FIVE, PART ONE OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES, RELATING TO AUTHORIZED STAFFING OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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WHEREAS, Article III, Section 7 of the City Charter authorizes this Council to provide for the authorized staffing of officers and employees in the Police Department; and

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WHEREAS, under Article XVIII, Section 3 of the Ohio Constitution, exercise of the City's discretion in appointments and promotions within the classified service of the City is a matter of local self-government (State ex rel. Bednar v. City of North Canton (1994) 69 Ohio St. 3d 278); and

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WHEREAS, Article VII, Section 2 of the City Charter expressly authorizes this Council to enact ordinances with respect to appointments and promotions that will prevail over state statutory provisions in case of conflict,

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City of Cuyahoga Falls, County of Summit and State of Ohio that:

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Section 1. Section 129.01 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Cuyahoga Falls is hereby amended to read in full as follows (new text underlined; deleted text in strikethrough):

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129.01 COMPOSITION.

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(a) Subject to the sufficiency of annual or supplemental appropriations for personal services. Tthe Police Department shall be composed of the Chief-of Police and such additional the following sworn officers and other personnel: as established by ordinance of Council.

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Sworn Officers:

1 Chief

1 Captain

5 Lieutenants

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56 Patrol Officers

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Civilian Employees

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1 Community Service Officer

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6 Regular Part-Time Laborers

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1 Juvenile Diversion Caseworker

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(b) When sufficient appropriations are available and a valid civil service eligible list exists, vacancies in classifications in the Police Department shall be filled from a certified list of candidates within thirty (30) days. If there is no eligible list for a vacant position, the Director of Public Safety shall forthwith request that the Civil Service Commission conduct the needed examinations for the purpose of producing an eligible list. An appointment to fill the vacancy shall be made within thirty (30) days after the Commission certifies a list of candidates from a new eligible list. Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to apply to appointments to the unclassified service, or to limit the Commission's authority to waive competitive examinations in accordance with its rules.

<u>Section 2.</u> Existing Section 129.01 of the Codified Ordinances, as re-enacted by Ord. No. 45-1998, passed March 9, 1998, is hereby repealed.

Section 3. Ordinance No. 90-2010, passed July 26, 2010, is hereby repealed.

<u>Section 4</u>. Any other ordinances and resolutions or portions of ordinances and resolutions inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed but any ordinances and resolutions or portions of ordinances and resolutions not inconsistent herewith and which have not previously been repealed are hereby ratified and confirmed.

<u>Section 5</u>. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council and all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements including Chapter 107 of the Codified Ordinances.

Section 6. This ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, convenience and welfare of the City of Cuyahoga Falls and the inhabitants thereof and provided it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members elected or appointed to Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor; otherwise it shall take effect and be in force at the earliest period Allowed by law.

Passed 12/21/12

President of Council PPU 7

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Mayor

Clerk of Council

12/10/12

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