

# Ordinance No. 00349

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## ORDINANCE NO. 349

AN ORDINANCE of the City Council of the City of Lakewood, Washington, amending Chapter 2.14 of the Lakewood Municipal Code to establish a Reserve Police Unit.

WHEREAS, the City of Lakewood recognizes the value of volunteer reserve police officers; and  
WHEREAS, the City of Lakewood Chief of Police is authorized to commission reserve officers in accordance with the Revised Code of Washington to augment regular employed Deputy Sheriff's; and  
WHEREAS, there is a need for the Lakewood Police Department to augment the regular employment of its Police Officers; and  
WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the City and citizens of the City of Lakewood to have volunteer reserve police officers available to assist the local police authority;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD, WASHINGTON, DO ORDAIN as Follows:

Section 1. That Chapter 2.14 of the Lakewood Municipal Code be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows, adding Section 2.14.130 authorizing the Lakewood Police Chief to Commission Reserve officers and establish their rights and limitations in accordance with the Revised Code of Washington to augment regular employed City of Lakewood Police Officers:

### 2.14.130 Reserve Officers.

Reserve Officers shall be considered commissioned officers entitled to participate in the Volunteer Firefighter's and Reserve Officer Relief and Pension Program and shall serve without pay for the period as determined by the Chief. The reserve officer's commission shall be valid only when on official duty as a part of an assigned shift or detail. The Police Chief will ensure reserves have received proper background screening, training and certifications consistent with standards established under Washington law, City ordinance and Civil Service directive. The Chief will also establish standards for continued eligibility for reserve assignment that will ensure reserve officers remain current with training and certifications, as well as familiar and compliant with ordinances of the City and policies of the police department.

(a) Reserve officers shall be deemed to be agents or employees of the City of Lakewood while on official duty and shall have the right to use the Lakewood Police Department's equipment, vehicles and uniforms as deemed necessary and authorized by the Chief.

Section 2. Severability. If any portion of this Ordinance or its application to any person or circumstances is held invalid, the remainder of the Ordinance or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected.

Section 3. Effective Date. That this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect five (5) days after publication of the Ordinance Summary.

ADOPTED by the City Council this 6<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2004.

CITY OF LAKEWOOD

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Douglas G. Richardson, Mayor

Attest:

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Alice M. Bush, CMC, City Clerk

Approved as to Form:

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Heidi Ann Wachter, City Attorney