CITY OF JOHNSTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA

RESOLUTION NO. 10527

A RESOLUTION, OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN, CAMBRIA COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA APPROVING AMENDMENTS TO THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN CIVIL SERVICE RULES AND REGULATIONS

WHEREAS, the hiring of Police Officers by the City of Johnstown, Pennsylvania, Cambria County, is governed by rules and regulations administered by City of Johnstown Police Civil Service Board; and

WHEREAS, the City of Johnstown had previously hired only Police Officers currently Act 120 Certified under the Municipal Police Officers Education and Training Commission (Act 120), (MPOETC) 53 Pa. C.S.A. §2161 et seq. or those having successfully completed Act 120 Training and having passed the final exam, prior to the certification of the eligibility list in accordance with City of Johnstown Police Civil Service Rules and Regulations section 3.5 General Qualifications § (b); and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the City of Johnstown Police Civil Service Rules and Regulations governing the hiring of Police Officers, the Board may amend, revise, void or replace rules and regulations for any reason by action of a majority of the Board. Before any changes to these rules and regulations become effective, those changes must be approved by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that the proposed changes and revisions to Section 3.5 § (b) are a necessary amendment in accordance with the City's Civil Service rules and Regulations, which have been followed; and

WHEREAS, The City of Johnstown Police Civil Service Board held a regular meeting at 401 Washington Street, 4th Floor, Johnstown, Pennsylvania 15901, on August 16, 2022 wherein the proposed amendment to Section 3.5 § (b) was approved by a unanimous vote; and

WHEREAS, a draft of the proposed Amendment is available for public display.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Johnstown, Cambria County, Pennsylvania, and it is hereby resolved by the authority of the same, as follows:

SECTION 1. The amendment to the City of Johnstown Police Civil Service Rules and Regulations is hereby approved, including the following:

3.5 General Qualifications, §(b): Be Act 120 Certified under the Municipal Police Officers Education and Training Commission (Act 120), (MPOETC) 53 Pa. C.S.A. §2161 et seq. or shall have successfully completed Act 120 Training and passed the final exam, prior to the certification of the eligibility list, thus being eligible for Act 120 Certification once hired by the city. Prior to soliciting applicants for new police officer positions, the City may, at its discretion, direct the Board to expand the scope of this subsection so as to accept applicants who have not yet undertaken Act 120 Training at the time of application. In this event, once hired any such candidates shall be required to meet or exceed any and all requirements as established or required by MPOETC and the laws of Pennsylvania regarding municipal police officer qualifications and training prior to serving as a police officer for the City.

ADOPTED: September 14, 2022

By the following Vote:

Yays: Mr. Capriotti, Mayor Janakovic, Mr. Arnone, Mr. Britt, Ms. Huchel, Rev. King

Nays:

Absent: Mrs.Mock

Frank J. Janakovic, Mayor

Michael Capriotti, Deputy Mayor

ATTEST:

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Resolution No.10527 as the same adopted by the City Council of the City of Johnstown, Pennsylvania.

Ethan Imhoff, City Manager

City of Johnstown, Pennsylvania Police Department

Richard M. Pritchard Chief of Police

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September 1, 2022

RE: Proposed Amendment to the City of Johnstown Police Civil Service Rules and Regulations Section 3.5 § (b).

3.5 General Qualifications.

At the time of application, every applicant for a position in the police department shall possess the following qualifications:

- a) Possess a diploma from an accredited high school or a graduate equivalency diploma (GED).
- b) Be Act 120 Certified under the Municipal Police Officers Education and Training Commission (Act 120), (MPOETC) 53 Pa. C.S.A. §2161 et seq. or shall have successfully completed Act 120 Training and passed the final exam, prior to the certification of the eligibility list, thus being eligible for Act 120 Certification once hired by the city. Prior to soliciting applicants for new police officer positions, the City may, at its discretion, direct the Board to expand the scope of this subsection so as to accept applicants who have not yet undertaken Act 120 Training at the time of application. In this event, once hired any such candidates shall be required to meet or exceed any and all requirements as established or required by MPOETC and the laws of Pennsylvania regarding municipal police officer qualifications and training prior to serving as a police officer for the City.
- c) Be a United States Citizen.
- d) Be physically and mentally fit to perform the full duties of a police officer.
- e) Possess a valid motor vehicle operator's license issued by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania