

ORDINANCE NO. 1530

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 2 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF JAMESTOWN,
ESTABLISHING RESIDENCY QUALIFICATION FOR EMPLOYEES**

WHEREAS, the City of Jamestown has certain responsibilities in responding to emergencies within the City of Jamestown;

WHEREAS, the City of Jamestown previously enacted certain residential requirements in 2-5.9 of the Code of the City of Jamestown;

WHEREAS, the City has determined additional clarification is needed regarding the residency requirements for police officers employed by the City of Jamestown; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the residents of the City that the police officers have the ability to respond to emergencies in a timely manner.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it enacted by the City Council of the City of Jamestown that Chapter 2, Article I, Section 5.9 of the Code of the City of Jamestown be amended as follows:

Sec. 2-5.9. - Residency qualification for emergency service positions.

- (1) Emergency service positions are those employment positions which require the holder to be able to respond quickly to events, circumstances and emergency situations in the performance of assigned duties of providing protective services to and insuring the health and safety of citizens and property within the City of Jamestown.
- (2) Fire Department: No person employed by the City of Jamestown Fire Department in a position designated as an emergency service position shall reside outside of the geographic boundaries of the City of Jamestown, Bloom Township, Homer Township, Woodbury Township, and Midway Township.
- (3) Police Department: No person employed by the City of Jamestown Police Department in a position designated as an emergency service position shall reside no further than a twenty (20) minute drive from City limits while following all applicable speed limits under normal driving conditions.
- (4) The following employment positions with the City of Jamestown have been deemed emergency service positions by the City Council of the City of Jamestown:
 - a. All police officers.
 - b. All full-time employees of the fire department.
- (5) This section shall not apply to any full-time emergency service position employees domiciled outside the geographic boundaries of subsection (1) prior to October 7, 2002.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Sarah Hellekson, City Administrator

Dwaine Heinrich, Mayor

Introduced by Council Member Buchanan
Seconded by Council Member Steele
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Second Reading: May 4, 2020
Final Passage: May 4, 2020
Roll Call No. 5 showed: 4 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent.