



# City of Annapolis

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Ordinance: O-13-14

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**Repeal of Police Residency Requirement** - For the purpose of repealing the requirement that sworn employees of the Police Department reside within a thirty-mile road radius from the City line.

## CITY COUNCIL OF THE City of Annapolis

Ordinance 13-14

Introduced by: Mayor Pantelides

Referred to  
Rules and City Government  
Public Safety

A **ORDINANCE** concerning

### **Repeal of Police Residency Requirement**

**FOR** the purpose of repealing the requirement that sworn employees of the Police Department reside within a thirty-mile road radius from the City line.

**BY** repealing the following sections from the Code of the City of Annapolis, 2013 Edition  
Section 3.24.050

**WHEREAS,** Section 3.24.050 has not been actively enforced in decades; and

**WHEREAS,** O-42-12 Amended, adopted on February 11, 2013 removed the residency requirement for Department Directors; and

**WHEREAS,** removing Section 3.24.050 will aid in sworn personnel recruitment and retention; and

**WHEREAS,** sworn employees of the Police Department are strongly encouraged to live in or near the City of Annapolis and, by doing so, this creates a force multiplier effect.

**SECTION I: BE IT ESTABLISHED AND ORDAINED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL** that the Code of the City of Annapolis shall be amended to read as follows:

### **CHAPTER 3.34 - CONDUCT AND QUALIFICATIONS**

#### **3.24.050 Police residency requirement.**

~~The sworn employees of the Police Department shall reside within a thirty-road-mile radius of the~~

~~City line. Any members residing beyond this radius as of the effective date of the ordinance from which this section derives may continue to do so; provided, that if a member sells or moves from his or her house, compliance with this section shall be made immediately.~~

**SECTION II: AND BE IT FURTHER ESTABLISHED AND ORDAINED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL** that this Ordinance shall take effect from the date of its passage.

**EXPLANATION**

CAPITAL LETTERS indicate matter added to existing law.  
~~Strikethrough~~ indicates matter stricken from existing law.  
Underlining indicates amendments.

Adopted  
7/14/2014

Aye: 3 Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson and Alderman Arnett

THE ANNAPOLIS CITY Michael Pantelides  
COUNCIL Mike Pantelides, Mayor

Date 9/29/14

ATTEST Regina C. Watkins-Eldridge  
Regina C. Watkins-Eldridge, MMC,  
City Clerk

Date 9/29/14