

**CITY OF LAVON, TEXAS**  
**ORDINANCE NO. 2021-01-03**

Amend Article 2.04 – Unsworn Police Volunteers

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAVON, TEXAS, AMENDING ARTICLE 2.04 “DEPARTMENTS OF THE CITY” OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES TO ADD SECTION 2.04.039 UNSWORN POLICE VOLUNTEERS; PROVIDING FOR REPEALING, SAVINGS, AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSES; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Lavon ("City Council") has considered and determined that it would be advantageous and beneficial to the citizens of the City of Lavon, Texas ("Lavon") to amend Lavon's Code of Ordinances in Chapter 2 to include Community Service Division as set forth herein; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council has authority under state law to adopt the regulations herein.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAVON, TEXAS THAT:**

**SECTION 1. RECITALS**

The City Council hereby finds that the statements set forth in the recitals of this Ordinance are true and correct, and the City Council hereby incorporates such recitals as part of this Ordinance.

**SECTION 2. AMENDMENT OF SECTION 2.04 DEPARTMENTS OF THE CITY, DIVISION 2 PUBLIC SAFETY**

Article 2.04 "Departments of the City", Division 2 "Public Safety" of the Code of Ordinances is hereby amended by adding Section 2.04.039 "Unsworn Police Volunteers" as follows:

**Section 2.04.039 Unsworn Police Volunteers**

- (a) The program shall consist of unsworn trained volunteers serving as a resource to supplement and advance community services of the city police force.
- (b) Members of the program shall meet the standards established by the chief of police.
- (c) Program volunteers shall serve at the direction of and be accountable to the chief of police.

**SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE**

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately from and after its passage.

**SECTION 4. PROPER NOTICE AND MEETING**

It is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this Ordinance was passed was open to the public as required and that public notice of the time, place, and purpose of said meeting was given as required by the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code and as required by Chapter 52 of the Texas Local Government Code.

**SECTION 5. SEVERABILITY**

It is hereby declared to be the intention of the City Council that the phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs and sections of this Ordinance be severable, and if any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section of this Ordinance shall be declared unconstitutional by the valid judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, such unconstitutionality shall not affect any of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs or sections of this Ordinance, and the remainder of this Ordinance shall be enforced as written.

**SECTION 6. REPEALER**

The provisions of this Ordinance shall be cumulative of all other ordinances, or parts of ordinances, and resolutions, or parts of resolutions governing or regulating the same subject matter as that covered herein; provided, however, that all prior ordinances, or parts of ordinances, or resolutions, or parts of resolutions, inconsistent or in conflict with any of the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby expressly repealed to the extent that such inconsistency is apparent.

**DULY PASSED and APPROVED** by the City Council of the City of Lavon, Texas, on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of January 2021.



Vicki Sanson  
Mayor



**ATTEST:**



Rae Norton  
City Secretary