

CITY OF BORDENTOWN

ORDINANCE 2023-21

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 66, SECTION 3, OF THE CODE OF
THE CITY OF BORDENTOWN TO PERMIT FIVE SERGEANTS IN THE
BORDENTOWN CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT**

WHEREAS, Chapter 66 of the Code of the City of Bordentown (“City Code”) establishes and governs the Bordentown City Police Department (“Police Department”); and

WHEREAS, Section 66-3 of the City Code, entitled “Composition”, provides the organizational structure of the Police Department; and

WHEREAS, on November 13, 2023, at their regularly scheduled meeting, the Board of Commissioners of the City of Bordentown (“Board of Commissioners”) promoted two long serving members of the Police Department to the rank of Sergeant; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners now seeks to amend Section 66-3 of the City Code to increase the permitted number of Sergeants to five; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners finds that it is in the public interest to amend Section 66-3 of the City Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of the City of Bordentown, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, that Section 66-3 of the Code of the City of Bordentown, entitled “Composition”, shall be amended to read as follows (underlined text illustrates additions, strikethrough text illustrates deletions):

“§ 66-3 **Composition.**

[Amended 8-12-1991 by Ord. No. 1991-7; 11-22-1993 by Ord. No. 1993-20; 9-10-2001 by Ord. No. 2001-7¹¹; 1-26-2004 by Ord. No. 2004-02; 1-8-2024 by Ord. No. 2023-21

The Police Department of the City of Bordentown may consist of one Chief of Police, one Deputy Chief of Police, one Captain, up to but not more than two Lieutenants, up to but not more than ~~four~~ five Sergeants, up to but not more than two Corporals, up to but not more than six patrol officers, up to but not more than four law enforcement officers-Class 1, and up to but not more than three law enforcement officers-Class 2, all of whom shall act and be known as “police officers of the City of Bordentown, New Jersey.” There is no requirement that all superior or partial officers’ positions shall be filled at any one time. The decision to fill any superior position rests in the City’s discretion.

[1] *Editor’s Note: This ordinance also deleted former § 66-3, Supervision.*”

REPEALER, SEVERABILITY, AND EFFECTIVE DATE

- A. Repealer. Any and all Ordinances inconsistent with the terms of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of any such inconsistencies.
- B. Severability. In the event that any clause, section, paragraph or sentence of this Ordinance is deemed to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, then the City Board of Commissioners hereby declares its intent that the balance of the Ordinance not affected by said invalidity shall remain in full force and effect to the extent that it allows the City to meet the goals of the Ordinance.
- C. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect upon proper passage in accordance with the law.

First Reading: December 11, 2023

Adopted: January 8, 2024