

**ORDINANCE NO. 41-2023**

**BOROUGH OF ROSELAND  
COUNTY OF ESSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF ROSELAND  
AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING SECTION 2-24 OF  
THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE  
BOROUGH OF ROSELAND ENTITLED "DEPARTMENT  
OF POLICE OR POLICE DEPARTMENT"

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Roseland, County of Essex, State of New Jersey as follows:

**SECTION I**

That section 2-24.2 of the Revised General Ordinance of the Borough of Roseland entitled "Composition" shall be amended by adding the following **thus** and deleting the following **thus**:

**§ 2-24.2 Composition.**

- a. The composition of the Police Department shall be established by the Borough Council. The head of the Police Department shall be a Police Director, even when the Borough has opted to name a Police Chief. The Police Director shall report to the Mayor who shall be designated as the appropriate authority. In the Mayor's absence, the Police Director shall report to the Business Administrator. If there is no appointed Police Chief, the Police Director shall assign any of the rights, powers and responsibilities that are reserved solely to the Police Chief pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:14-118 and that cannot be performed by the Police Director to a superior officer from among the pool of superior officers. This superior officer shall perform any of the rights, powers and responsibilities that are reserved solely to the Police Chief pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:14-118 and that cannot be performed by the Police Director.
- b. The Police Director shall be appointed annually by the Mayor, with the advice and consent of the Borough Council. The Police Director shall be qualified by training and experience for the position, which training and experience shall require a minimum of five (5) years' experience in a responsible capacity in public administration and policing.
- c. In accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:14-118, the Borough of Roseland Police Department shall consist of no more than one (1) Police Director or Chief, one (1) Deputy Director, one Patrol Captain, one (1) Detective Captain, three (3) Lieutenants, one (1) Detective Sergeant, ~~five Patrol Sergeants~~ six (6) Patrol Sergeants, ~~two (2) Detectives~~ one Detective, and 17 Patrol Officers. The Police Department may employ no more than six (6) civilian dispatchers and one (1) Administrative Assistant to the Chief of Police or Police Director.

The Mayor shall have the authority to appoint a Police Director on an acting basis for a period not to exceed one (1) year.

**SECTION II**

If any section or provision of this ordinance shall be invalid in any court the same shall not affect the other sections or provisions of this ordinance except so far as the section or provision so declared invalid shall be inseparable from the remainder or any portion thereof.

**SECTION III**

This ordinance shall take effect upon publication as provided by law.

DATE OF INTRODUCTION: December 5, 2023

Motion to Introduce by: Councilwoman Perrotti  
Motion Seconded by: Councilman Bardi  
Introduction Approved: 5-0 Voice Vote (Freda absent)

DATE OF ADOPTION: December 19, 2023

COUNCIL	MOTION	SECOND	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	RECUSE	ABSENT
Councilman Bardi		X	X				
Councilwoman Fishman			X				
Councilman Freda							X
Councilwoman Perrotti			X				
Councilwoman Tolli			X				
Council President Trillo	X		X				
Mayor Spango (In case of tie)							
		VOTE:	5	0			

I hereby certify that the above Ordinance was duly adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Roseland at a meeting of Borough Council held on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2023.

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James R. Spango, Mayor

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Jock H. Watkins, Borough Clerk

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