

**WEST DEPTFORD TOWNSHIP**

**ORDINANCE 2020-03**

**ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST DEPTFORD AMENDING CHAPTER 51,  
SECTION 1(A), OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST DEPTFORD  
(POLICE DEPARTMENT)**

**WHEREAS**, Chapter 51, Section 1(A), of the Township Code governs the general organization and purpose of the police department of the Township of West Deptford; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief of Police has recommended amendment to Chapter 51, Section 1(A) as being in the best interests of the Township of West Deptford Police Department; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee has carefully considered the matter and finds amendment to Chapter 51, Section 1(A) as being in the best interests of the Township of West Deptford Police Department;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of West Deptford, County of Gloucester, and the State of New Jersey, as follows:

**Section 1:** Chapter 51, Section 1(A) of the Code of the Township of West Deptford is hereby amended and supplemented by adding the underlined text and deleting the struck-out text, as follows:

**§ 51-1. General organization and purpose.**

A. General organization. There is hereby created in and for the Township of West Deptford a Police Department which may consist of a Chief of Police; one (1) Deputy Chief of Police; two (2) Lieutenant; six (6) ~~five (5)~~ Sergeants; five (5) Corporals; twenty-seven (27) police officers and such personnel and officers as shall be deemed necessary by the Township Committee of the Township of West Deptford which shall, from time to time, determine the number of persons including temporary officers and members in an emergency, to be appointed to these positions, their terms of office, the fixing of their compensation and the prescription of their powers, functions and duties.

In addition, the Police Department may employ clerical personnel and other civilian employees to assist the Department with performing non-law enforcement support functions in the township. The determination as to the employment of additional staff shall fall under the hiring/firing parameters of the municipality.

**Section 2: Effective Date**

This ordinance shall take effect after final adoption and publication as provided by law.

The West Deptford Township Police Department Rules and Regulations shall be amended to reflect the changes in policy set forth in this ordinance.

**Section 3: Ordinance Provisions Repealed**

Any ordinance provisions inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

**Section 4: Severability**

If the provisions of any section, subsection, paragraph, subdivision, or clause of this ordinance shall be judged invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such order of judgment shall not affect or invalidate the remainder of any section, subsection, paragraph, subdivision, or clause of this ordinance.

**TOWNSHIP OF WEST DEPTFORD**

By:   
DENICE DICARLO, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

  
LEE ANN DEHART, Registered Municipal Clerk

**INTRODUCED** at a meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of West Deptford, held on January 15, 2020.

ROLL CALL VOTE				
	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Denice DiCarlo	✓			
Megan Kerr	✓			
James Mehaffey	✓			
Adam Reid	✓			
James Robinson	✓			
<b>TALLY:</b>	5			

**ADOPTED** at a meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of West Deptford, held on February 5, 2020.

ROLL CALL VOTE				
	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Denice DiCarlo	✓			
Megan Kerr	✓			
James Mehaffey	✓			
Adam Reid	✓			
James Robinson	✓			
<b>TALLY:</b>	5			