

Proposed: 7/7/2022

ORDINANCE NO. 105-2022 (AS), *First Reading*

By Mayor Seren

An Ordinance amending Section 137.06, “Positions in Classified Service”, of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Cleveland Heights to remove the positions of Chief and Assistant Chief from the classified service of the City; and declaring the necessity that this Ordinance become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

WHEREAS, the current Civil Service rules unnecessarily restrict the pool of qualified candidates for the positions of Chief and Assistant Chief in the Police Division and Fire Division of the Department of Public Safety; and

WHEREAS, removing the positions of Chief and Assistant Chief from the classified service of the City will increase administrative flexibility in recruiting and hiring qualified candidates for those positions.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF CLEVELAND HEIGHTS, OHIO:

SECTION 1. Section 137.06, *Positions in Classified Service*, of Chapter 137, *Civil Service*, of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Cleveland Heights shall be and hereby is amended to read as follows:

### **137.06 POSITIONS IN CLASSIFIED SERVICE**

The classified service of the City shall consist of all regular members of the Police Division and the Fire Division except Chiefs, Assistant Chiefs, secretaries, clerks, dispatchers, Community Aid Officers, Commercial District Security (Foot Patrol) Officers, Basic Patrol Officers, members of reserve or auxiliary units, and other such similar positions. The classified service shall also include other classifications of employees as may be designated to the classified service by ordinance of Council.

SECTION 2. Notice of the passage of this Ordinance shall be given by publishing the title and abstract of its contents, prepared by the Director of Law, once in one newspaper of general circulation in the City of Cleveland Heights.

SECTION 3. It is necessary that this Ordinance become immediately effective as an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety of the inhabitants of the City of Cleveland Heights, such emergency being the need to expeditiously begin the hiring process to replace impending vacancies in the Department of Public Safety. Wherefore, provided it receives the affirmative vote of five or more of the members elected or appointed to this Council, this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest time allowed by law.

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MELODY JOY HART  
President of the Council

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Clerk of Council, Pro Tem

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KAHLIL SEREN  
Mayor