

Ordinance No. 2001.12  
Village of Salado  
County of Bell  
State of Texas  
May 17, 2001

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE VILLAGE OF SALADO, TEXAS ABOLISHING THE OFFICE OF CITY MARSHALL OF THE VILLAGE OF SALADO, TEXAS; ESTABLISHING A POLICE DEPARTMENT AND THE OFFICE OF CHIEF OF POLICE; CONFERRING THE DUTIES OF THE OFFICE OF MARSHALL UPON THE CHIEF OF POLICE; PROVIDING FOR THE SOLICITATION OF CANDIDATES FOR THE OFFICE OF CHIEF OF POLICE OF THE VILLAGE OF SALADO, TEXAS; PROVIDING FOR APPLICABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE; PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE.**

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**Whereas**, the Village of Salado, Texas is a city of town having less than Five Thousand (5000) inhabitants according to the preceeding Federal Census; and

**Whereas**, Section 23.029 of the Local Government Code provides that the governing body of a municipality with a population of less that Five Thousand (5000) inhabitants may, by ordinance, abolish the office of City Marshall; and

**Whereas**, The Board of Aldermen of the Village of Salado now desires to abolish the Office of City Marshall, provide for the establishment of a local police department, and confer the duties of City Marshall upon a Chief of Police:

**Now, Therefore, be it Ordained by the Board of Aldermen of the Village of Salado, Texas:**

**Section 1:** The office of Marshall of the Village of Salado, Texas is hereby dispensed with and abolished.

**Section 2:** The Board of Aldermen of the Village of Salado, Texas hereby provide for the creation of a Police Department for the Village of Salado, the Chief of Police of same to be appointed and removed by the Board of Aldermen, and being at all times under the control of the Board of Aldermen. The duties of the Chief of Police are to be established by the Board of Aldermen.

**Section 3:** The Board of Aldermen hereby authorize the Mayor, with the consultation of the City Marshall, to Advertise for the position of Chief of Police, and to actively solicit candidates for such position in all such places as deemed prudent and necessary. Prior to

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doing so the Mayor shall present recommendations to the Board of Aldermen with respect to salary, benefits, and all such other matters as are pertinent to the position.

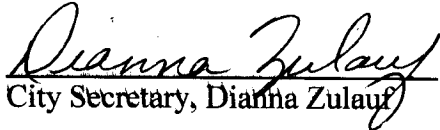
**Section 4:** The duties of the former office of Marshall are hereby conferred upon the Chief of Police.

**Section 5:** This ordinance shall not have the effect of removing the incumbent Marshall from office, nor shall it remove the authority of the incumbent Marshall to carry out his responsibilities and duties under the law until such time as the incumbent Marshall resigns, his term of office is complete or a Chief of Police is sworn in for the Village of Salado, whichever occurs first.

**Section 6:** In the event any one of more of the provisions, clauses, or words of this Ordinance or the application thereof to any situation or circumstance shall for any reason be held to be invalid or unconstitutional, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect any other provision, clauses, or words of this ordinance or the application thereof to any other situations or circumstances and it is intended that this ordinance shall be severable and that it shall be construed and applied as if such invalid or unconstitutional clause, section, provision, or word had not been included therein.

Signed this 17<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2001

  
Charlotte Douglass, Mayor

  
City Secretary, Dianna Zulauf