

**ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AMENDMENTS TO THE RULES AND
REGULATIONS OF THE BOARD OF FIRE
AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF JOLIET**

WHEREAS, pursuant to 65 ILCS 5/10-2.1-1, et seq., the Mayor and City Council established a Board of Fire and Police Commissioners by ordinance to administer and oversee the appointment, promotion and discipline of police officers and firefighters; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners have adopted Rules and Regulations governing the functions of the Board; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Chapter 1, Section 8 of the Rules and Regulations of the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners, amendments to the rules of the Board may be made and are subject to approval by the Mayor and City Council; and

WHEREAS, on _____, the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners agreed to the following proposed Amendments to Appendix A and Appendix B of the Rules and Regulations of the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners is recommending to the Mayor and City Council that the Rules and Regulations of the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners be revised as set forth herein; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council hereby find and determine that the adoption of the amendments to the Rules and Regulations of the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners is in the best interests of the City of Joliet; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOLIET, ILLINOIS, PURSUANT TO ITS STATUTORY AND HOME RULE AUTHORITY, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1: The Mayor and City Council approve the Amendments to the Rules and Regulations of the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners.

SECTION 2: Chapter II, Section 6, Appendix A, and Appendix B of the Rules and Regulations of the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners are hereby amended as followed:

SECTION 6 - AGE REQUIREMENTS

Except as provided in 65 ILCS 5/10-2.1-6.3 (original appointments; full-time fire department), all Applicants shall be under 35 years of age. No person 35 years of age ~~of~~ or older shall be appointed to the position of firefighter or police officer.

Appendix A -Fire Department Preference Point

1. Persons who were engaged in the military service of the United States for a period of at least one (1) year of active duty and who were honorably discharged therefrom, or

who are now or have been members on inactive or reserve duty in such military or naval service, shall be awarded five (5) preference points.

Proof of such military service must include a copy of the most current DD-214 (long form) as proof of active military service and evidence of the honorable discharge.

6. Additional preferences. Up to 5 additional preference points may be awarded for unique categories based on an applicant's experience or background as identified by the commission.

Appendix B – Police Department Preference Points

1. Persons who were engaged in the military service of the United States for a period of at least one (1) year of active duty and who were honorably discharged therefrom, or who are now or have been members on inactive or reserve duty in such military or naval service, not including persons who were convicted by court-martial of disobedience of orders, where such disobedience consisted of the refusal to perform military service on grounds of religious or conscientious objections against war, shall be awarded five (5) preference points.

Proof of such military service must include a copy of the most current DD-214 (long form) as proof of active military service and evidence of the honorable discharge.

6. Additional preferences. Up to 5 additional preference points may be awarded for unique categories based on an applicant's experience or background as identified by the commission.

SECTION 3: All Ordinances directly in conflict with the terms of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

SECTION 4: This Ordinance shall be deemed severable, and the invalidity of any portion hereof shall not invalidate the remainder.

SECTION 5: This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its passage.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT THIS RESOLUTION SHALL BE IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT FROM AND AFTER ITS PASSAGE AND APPROVAL IN THE MANNER PROVIDED BY LAW.

PASSED this ____ day of ____, 2025

MAYOR

CITY CLERK

VOTING YES: _____

VOTING NO: _____

NOT VOTING: _____