

ORDINANCE NO. 57-O-105

AN ORDINANCE LICENSING WATCHMEN, MERCHANT PATROLMEN, AND SPECIAL POLICE OFFICERS; PROVIDING REGULATIONS THEREFOR; PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. [Adopted January 8, 1957]

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The city of Brookings ordains as follows:

Section 1. License required. Any person engaged in the business of a watchman, merchant patrolman, or a special police officer in the city of Brookings, and not acting under authority of the Brookings Police Department, shall first obtain a license for such business from the city recorder and shall pay a license fee of \$25.00 per calendar year or any fraction thereof.

Section 2. Application requirements. Any person desiring to be licensed as a watchman, merchant patrolman, or special police officer after the effective date of this ordinance shall make application to the chief of police of Brookings, Oregon, for investigation and recommendation. Said application shall contain the full name, age, and address of the applicant, his occupation and residence for the five (5) years immediately preceding, and as references the names and addresses of three (3) residents of Brookings, Oregon, who have known the applicant for one (1) year or more. Such application shall also contain the fingerprints of the applicant. Within seven (7) days after receipt of an application, the chief of police shall return it to the city recorder, together with his report and recommendation. If the chief of police shall approve the application, the city recorder shall issue the city license. If the chief of police shall disapprove the application, the city recorder shall not issue the license. In the event the chief of police shall not approve the application, the city recorder shall, within two (2) days, notify the applicant in writing of such disapproval. The applicant shall have a period of five (5) days to file a written notice of appeal from such disapproval to the council. Such appeal shall be heard by the council at the next regular meeting of the council which falls more than five (5) days after the filing of the notice of appeal. The council, at such hearing, may approve or reject the application. Any licenses issued under the provisions of this ordinance may be revoked by the council by resolution at any time.

Section 3. Duties of licensees. The powers and duties of all persons licensed under the provisions of this ordinance shall consist of the following:

A. Keep on file with the chief of police the fingerprints of all employees. The employee's fingerprints must be filed with the chief of police within 48 hours after the hiring of an employee.

B. Be permitted to carry arms only when on duty.

C. Obey the orders of the chief of police, obey and comply with all the rules and regulations of the police department of the city of Brookings so far as the same may be applicable.

D. A watchman, merchant patrolman, or special police officer, when on patrol or guard duty, must be either in complete uniform or in complete private citizen dress. If in uniform, said uniforms shall all be identical and shall be of a different color than those worn by the police department and/or the police reserve; provided, however, that plant guards and those employees who are engaged in the protection of an employer's own property or products may wear a uniform of their own choice or design so long as such uniform is not worn off the employer's premises. Badges and cap pieces must be of a design approved by the chief of police.

E. Any watchman, merchant patrolman, or special police officer, having knowledge of a crime, shall immediately notify the police department and stand by until regular police officers arrive. At no time shall he conduct an investigation before calling the police department. During an investigation of any crime, the police department reserves the right to stop a watchman, merchant patrolman, or special police officer from investigation or interfering in any way with the police department.

Section 4. Penalties for violations. Any person violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall, upon conviction thereof, be subject to a fine in a sum not to exceed \$300.00, or imprisonment in the city jail for a period not to exceed 90 days, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Section 5. [Emergency clause.]