

DUNKIRK CITY CHARTER - ARTICLE VIII

ARTICLE VIII Police Department

§ 8.00. Police Department.

The Police Department shall consist of the Chief of Police and such other officers and positions within the Department as now exist and as the Common Council may hereafter create or abolish. It shall be organized into such divisions as the Chief of Police shall establish. The Department shall have jurisdiction, supervision and control of all functions and duties customarily performed by a police department. Police officers shall have all the powers, authority and duties conferred upon them by the laws of the State of New York. They shall perform such other duties as may be assigned to them by the Chief of Police.

§ 8.01. Chief of Police - Qualifications.

The Chief of Police shall be appointed by the Mayor with consent of the Common Council from the Competitive Class of Civil Service. The Chief shall have at least eight years service with law enforcement agencies and shall be appointed on the basis of executive and administrative qualifications in the field of police science.

§ 8.02. Chief of Police - Powers and Duties.

The Chief of Police shall be the executive head of the Police Department. The powers and duties of the Chief of Police shall include:

- (a) Enforcement of the laws of the state and ordinances of the City;
- (b) Assignment of all members of the department to their respective post, shifts, details and duties;
- (c) Promulgation of reasonable rules and regulations concerning the operation of the Department and the conduct, duties and assignments of all officers and employees;
- (d) Responsibility for the efficiency, discipline and good conduct of the Department and for the care and custody of all property used by the Department;
- (e) Provision for suitable, ongoing training for members of the Department;
- (f) Adoption of such innovations within the Department as may be desirable for the betterment and increased efficiency of the Department;

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- (g) Attendance at Common Council meetings;
- (h) Subject to the Civil Service Law, Rules and Regulations, the Chief shall appoint all officers and employees of the Department to fill such positions within the Department as authorized by the Common Council; the Chief may also suspend and remove all employees subject to the Civil Service Law, Rules and Regulations;
- (i) Performance of such other similar and related duties as may be assigned by the Mayor.