

INTRODUCED: December 9, 2019

AN ORDINANCE No. 2019-340

To amend ch. 12, art. IV of the City Code, concerning fees for City services, by adding therein a new § 12-123, concerning fees for employees of the City's Department of Police who provide law enforcement services at special events, and to amend Appendix A of the City Code by adding therein new fees for City Code § 12-123, for the purpose of establishing the fees to be charged for employees of the City's Department of Police who provide law enforcement services at special events.

Patron – Mayor Stoney

Approved as to form and legality
by the City Attorney

PUBLIC HEARING: JAN 13 2020 AT 6 P.M.

THE CITY OF RICHMOND HEREBY ORDAINS:

§ 1. That Chapter 12, Article IV of the Code of the City of Richmond (2015) be and is hereby amended and reordained by **adding therein a new** section numbered 12-123 as follows:

Sec. 12-123. Police law enforcement services for special events.

A fee as set forth in Appendix A to this Code shall be assessed by the City, through the Department of Police, for each employee who provides law enforcement services at a special event. The City, through the Chief of Police or the written designee thereof, shall enter into a contract

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with the holder of the special event for the provision of the services and the payment of the fees. A minimum of four hours per employee shall be charged for each special event for which such services are requested. Such fee shall be prorated for the time for which such services are actually rendered, but in no case shall the fee be less than an amount equal to four hours per employee. For the purposes of this section, the term “special event” shall mean an event in the City that is organized to attract participants or spectators from the public.

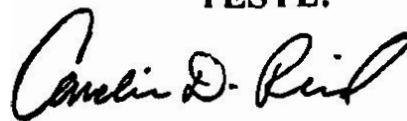
§ 2. That Appendix A of the Code of the City of Richmond (2015) be and is hereby amended and reordained by **adding therein new** fees for section 12-123 of the Code of the City of Richmond (2015) as follows:

<i>Code Section</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Fee</i>
12-123	Fee per employee per hour for law enforcement services rendered by the Department of Police: Each Department of Police employee’s personal hourly rate multiplied by each hour worked or a prorated portion thereof, multiplied by 1.5	
	Fee for use of each police vehicle per day	\$35.00

§ 3. This ordinance shall be in force and effect upon adoption.

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TESTE:



City Clerk



CITY OF RICHMOND

INTRACITY CORRESPONDENCE

O & R REQUEST

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Office of the
Chief Administrative Officer

O&R REQUEST

DATE: October 3, 2019

EDITION: 1

TO: The Honorable Members of City Council

THROUGH: The Honorable Levar M. Stoney, Mayor

THROUGH: Lenora Reid, Acting Chief Administrative Officer

THROUGH: John Wack, Director of Finance

THROUGH: Jay Brown, Director of Budget and Strategic Planning

FROM: Colonel William Smith, Chief of Police

RE: SPECIAL EVENTS FEES FOR PROVISION OF LAW ENFORCEMENT
SERVICES BY THE RICHMOND POLICE DEPARTMENT

ORD. OR RES. No. _____

PURPOSE:

To amend the City Code to establish fees for services rendered by Richmond Police Department (RPD) officers for special event assignments throughout the City and to amend the FY2020 General Fund Budget council ordinance 2019-041 by appropriating \$350,000 in Police Special Event fees above the adopted budget amount to the Richmond Police Department.

REASON:

To charge for specialized staffing services performed by RPD at special events held within the City of Richmond. The appropriation of these funds will allow the Richmond Police Department to pay overtime costs associated with providing law enforcement activities for designated special events.

RECOMMENDATION:

The City Administration recommends adoption of this ordinance.

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BACKGROUND:

RPD provides services at some of the largest special events held within the City of Richmond. A special event is defined as an organized venue designed to attract participants or spectators, or both. These special events can attract tens of thousands of spectators and require officers to provide services at the event, including, but not limited to, providing security and controlling crowds and traffic. In order to adequately staff these large scale events, RPD must compel law enforcement officers, sometimes exceeding 100 law enforcement officers for a single event, to work mandatory overtime and requires the use of RPD equipment.

Under § 2.05(g) of the Richmond City Charter, the City may "establish and collect such fees...as may be determined by the council to be reasonable for the rendering of special services." Even though the City has the power to collect these fees, none of the City's current ordinances address contracts between RPD and special event organizers.

The requested ordinance will authorize the City to contract with holders of special events for the provision of services by RPD law enforcement officers in exchange for a fee. The fee will be assessed against the holder of a special event for the use of City equipment and as reimbursement to the City for the compensation paid to the law enforcement officers for providing services at the special event. The fee for the use of a RPD vehicle will be \$35 per day, per vehicle. The fee for the services provided by law enforcement officers will be the total of each officer's personal hourly rate multiplied by each hour worked or each fraction thereof multiplied by 1.5. A minimum of four hours per law enforcement officer will be charged for each event.

FISCAL IMPACT / COST TO CITY: There is no cost to City.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS: The Richmond Police Department will utilize the fees collected to offset the personnel and equipment costs associated with the event.

BUDGET AMENDMENT NECESSARY: Yes

REVENUE TO CITY: Approximately \$350,000

DESIRED EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon adoption

REQUESTED INTRODUCTION DATE: November 12, 2019

CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING DATE: December 9, 2019

REQUESTED AGENDA: Consent Agenda

RECOMMENDED COUNCIL COMMITTEE: Finance and Economic Development Standing Committee

CONSIDERATION BY OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES: None

AFFECTED AGENCIES: Police Department, Department of Finance, and the Department of Budget & Strategic Planning

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RELATIONSHIP TO EXISTING ORD. OR RES.: Ord. 2019-041

REQUIRED CHANGES TO WORK PROGRAM(S): None

ATTACHMENTS: City of Richmond Charter § 2.05(g)
Draft Ordinance

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