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of the Mayor

Prepared by: Department of Law

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ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

AO No. 2001-125

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 3.20.060 TO
ALLOW QUALIFIED FIRE INVESTIGATORS TO ALSO SERVE AS SPECIAL POLICE
OFFICERS IN CARRYING OUT THEIR OFFICIAL DUTIES.

Section 1. Anchorage Municipal Code section 3.20.060 is hereby amended to read as follows:

3.20.060 Executive and administrative organization.

C. *Municipal manager.* The administrative functions of the municipality are organized into three teams: administration, municipal operations and public safety. Those functions shall be under the direct supervision and direction of the municipal manager conducted through the following departments and agencies:

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4. *Public safety team:*

a. *Department of police:* The department of police is responsible for enforcing the observance of all laws and ordinances, to promote and maintain order and to protect lives and property.

i. *Special police officers:* The chief of police may appoint special police officers to serve specific functions for a specified period of time under the supervision of the chief of police. No person shall perform the duties of a special police officer unless expressly directed to do so by the chief of police. (AO No. 80-31)

ii. *Fire investigators:* The chief of police may, with the concurrence of the fire chief, appoint qualified fire investigators as special police officers. Appointees shall be under the authority and control of the fire chief, but their continuing qualification and appointment as a special police officer shall be controlled by the chief of police.

b. *Department of fire:* The department of fire is responsible for the prevention and suppression of fire, the enforcement of fire codes, [AND] the operation of the emergency medical services system, and the investigation of offenses involving fire.

(AO No. 21-76; AO No. 77-359; AO No. 78-82; AO No. 78-113; AO No. 78-121; AO No. 79-27; AO No. 80-5; AO No. 82-49; AO No. 85-8; AO No. 88-47(S); AO No. 88-82; AO

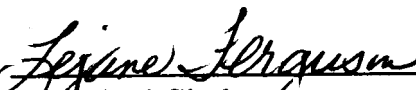
No. 91-173(S); AO No. 94-135(S), § 7, 7-12-94; AO No. 2000-105(S), § 2, 6-27-00; AO No. 2000-141(S), § 1, 9-26-00)

Section 2. This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its passage and approval by the Assembly.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this 10 day of July, 2001.


Chair of the Assembly

ATTEST:


Municipal Clerk

Municipality of Anchorage

Summary of Economic Effects - General Government

AO Number: 2001-125

Title: Fire Investigations

Sponsor:

Preparing Agency: Anchorage Fire Dept.

Others Affected

Anchorage Police Department

CHANGES IN EXPENDITURES AND REVENUES (Thousands of Dollars)

Operating Revenues:	FY	FY	FY	FY	FY
Total Operating Revenues:					
Operating Expenses:					
Total Operating Expenses:					
Non-Operating Revenues:					
Total Non-Operating Revenues:					
Non-Operating Expenses					
Total Non-Operating Expenses:					
NET INCOME (Regulated)					
Positions: FT/PT/TEMP					

Impact on General Government: YES NO XX (If yes, attach SEE for General Government agency impacted.)

Public Sector Economic Effects: This is a language change for an existing position. The change allows qualified fire investigators who also serve as special police officers to be under the authority and control of the fire chief. The fire investigator's continuing qualification and appointment shall be controlled by the police chief. This language change also designates the fire department as the responsible agency to investigate offenses involving fire. The Fire Department is the primary agency investigates offenses involving fire.

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Public Sector Economic Effects *Continued.*

Private Sector Economic Effects: granting a fire investigator with additional investigative authority will result in more prompt + efficient investigations benefiting all property owners that have a fire. C. Frasca

If further explanation is necessary, a separate page may be attached.

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(Director, Preparing Agency)

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Municipal Manager