

Chapter 26

POLICE*

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Sec. 26-1. Composition.

The Police Department shall consist of a Chief and as many police officers as the City Council shall from time to time determine.

(Code 1972, § 18-3; Code 1993, § 13-1)

Cross references—Administration, ch. 2; residency requirements, § 24-21 et seq.

Sec. 26-2. General supervision.

The City Manager shall have general control of the Police Department.

(Code 1972, § 18-4; Code 1993, § 13-2)

Sec. 26-3. Chief of police.

The city Police Department shall be commanded by the Chief of Police who is directly responsible to the City Manager. His office shall administer all programs and functions for the protection of life and property through prevention and detection of crime and preservation of the public peace. His office shall see that the rules and regulations of the department are understood and enforced. The staff personnel assigned to the office of the Chief shall provide the Chief with current information to assist him in making decisions. The staff shall coordinate, manage, direct, plan, and staff functions under the direction of the Chief of Police. (Code 1993, § 13-3)

Cross reference—Residency requirements, § 24-1 et seq.

Sec. 26-4. Use of police cars.

The police vehicles are in the complete charge of the Chief of Police at all times, and he shall be responsible for their maintenance and care and the assignment of the vehicles to officers. Police vehicles shall not be used for any purpose, except official business for the Police Department. The driver shall at all times obey the traffic laws, except when operating in emergency response or pursuit.

(Code 1993, § 13-5; Ord. No. 01-15, 10-8-2001)

Cross reference—Motor vehicles and traffic, ch. 18.

State law references—When speed limit not applicable, G.S. 20-145; exceptions to the right-of-way rule, G.S. 20-156.



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