

**Introduced by: Council Present**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BERKELEY, MISSOURI, CREATING THE FORMAL LANGUAGE FOR PUBLIC SAFETY**

**WHEREAS** The City Council finds it necessary to establish specific language for Public Safety.

**Now, Therefore, Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Berkeley, Missouri, as follows:**

**Section 1** Definition

*Public Safety* refers to the welfare and protection of the general public. It is usually expressed as a governmental responsibility. Most states have departments for public safety. The primary goal of the department is prevention and protection of the public from dangers affecting safety such as crimes or disasters. In many cases the public safety division will be comprised of individuals from other organizations including police, emergency medical services (EMS), fire force, public transportation officials, and public works.

In General, Public Safety includes signage for traffic control, emergency management, disaster evacuation programs, safety policies and procedures, and to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens.

In relation to Police, Public Safety includes hiring of police department staff, salaries, and operational expenses. Other expenses associated with Police includes dispatch, courts, records clerks, education, and bond issues associated with police, police department, or police station.

In relation to Fire, Public Safety includes hiring of fire department staff, salaries, and operational expenses. Other expenses associated with Fire includes dispatch and education.

In relation to Public Works, Public Safety includes park lighting, street lighting, video/cameras in the parks and streets for security surveillance, maintenance, retaining area safety, streets, sidewalks, removing dangerous trees, and demolition.

**Section 2** Codification: This Ordinance shall be codified and made part of the City of Berkeley Code of Ordinances.

**Section 3** This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

1st Reading this 18<sup>th</sup> day of September 2017

2nd Reading this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2017

3rd Reading, PASSED and APPROVED, this                      **day of**                      **2017**

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Theodore Hoskins, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Deanna L. Jones, City Clerk

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Approved As To Form:  
Donnell Smith, City Attorney

Final Roll Call:

Mayor Hoskins	Aye ___	Nay ___	Absent ___	Abstain ___
Councilwoman Hoskins	Aye ___	Nay ___	Absent ___	Abstain ___
Councilwoman Kirkland	Aye ___	Nay ___	Absent ___	Abstain ___
Councilwoman Mathison	Aye ___	Nay ___	Absent ___	Abstain ___
Councilman-at-Large McDaniel	Aye ___	Nay ___	Absent ___	Abstain ___
Councilwoman Mitchell	Aye ___	Nay ___	Absent ___	Abstain ___
Councilwoman Williams	Aye ___	Nay ___	Absent ___	Abstain ___