

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

CITY OF LOWELL

In City Council

ORDINANCE

An Ordinance amending The Code of Ordinances, City of Lowell, Massachusetts, with respect to Chapter 50, entitled “Officers and Employees” by placing the Elections Division and its staff under the direction and control of the City Clerk and placing the position of Municipal Hearing Officer under the responsibilities of the Assistant City Solicitor.

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WHEREAS, the City Council by virtue of General Laws, Chapter 43, Section 5 has the right to reorganize the Departments of the City of Lowell; and

WHEREAS, the voters of Massachusetts have adopted the Home Rule Amendment to the Constitution of Massachusetts (Amendment 89 of Article II of the Constitution of Massachusetts).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOWELL, as follows:

The Code of Ordinances City of Lowell, Massachusetts, (“the Code”) adopted by the City Council on December 23, 2008 (as amended), is hereby further amended with respect to Chapter 50, entitled “Officers and Employees” as follows:

**§50-4 City Clerk**

**C.** The City Clerk shall take charge of the Elections Division and shall have general direction and supervision of all employees in the Elections Division.

**§50-8 Assistant City Solicitor**

**D.** Municipal Hearing Officer. One (1) Assistant City Solicitor shall be designated as the Municipal Hearing Officer for the City of Lowell and shall perform the duties of this position and such other duties as may be assigned to him by the City Solicitor.

All provisions of the Code of the City of Lowell, as amended, which are not inconsistent with this Ordinance shall continue in effect, but all provisions of said Code inconsistent herewith are repealed.

This Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 43 and 40A of the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

/s/Corey Williams  
Corey Williams  
City Solicitor

In City Council July 23, 2024, Given 1<sup>st</sup> Reading and hearing ordered for 7PM on August 13, 2024. So Voted./s/Michael Q. Geary, City Clerk

In City Council August 13, 2024, Given 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading and Hearing held. Hearing closed. No Remonstrants. Adopted on roll call 10 yeas 1 absent (C. Scott).So Voted./s/Michael Q. Geary, City Clerk

Approved by City Manager Thomas A. Golden, Jr. August 14, 2024.

A true copy  
ATTEST



Michael Q. Geary  
City Clerk  
O:Reorganizations/Elections