

ORDINANCE NO. 264

AN URGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CANYON LAKE, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 260 TO APPOINT THE CHIEF OF POLICE AS THE ADMINISTRATIVE HEAD OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, on September 23, 2025, the City Council adopted Ordinance No. 260 formally establishing the Canyon Lake Police Department and declaring the City's intent to participate in the California Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) Program; and

WHEREAS, as no Chief of Police had yet been appointed, Ordinance No. 260 placed the Police Department under the administrative direction of the City Manager; and

WHEREAS, now that a Chief of Police has been appointed, and consistent with the requirements of Penal Code Sections 832.3 and 832.4 and Government Code Section 38630, the City Council desires to amend Ordinance No. 260 to appoint the Chief of Police as the administrative head of the Canyon Lake Police Department; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance is adopted as an urgency ordinance as it is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CANYON LAKE, CALIFORNIA, DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. **Incorporation.** The above recitals are all true and correct and are incorporated herein by this reference.

Section 2. **CEQA.** The adoption of this Ordinance is not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act because the activity will not result in a direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment.

Section 3. **Municipal Code Amendment.** Section 3 of Ordinance No. 260 is hereby amended to read in full as follows:

Section 3. Establishment of the Canyon Lake Police Department.

The City Council hereby formally establishes the Canyon Lake Police Department as a department of the municipal government of the City of Canyon Lake. The department shall be responsible for providing municipal police services within the jurisdictional boundaries of the City, under the control of the Chief of Police. The Canyon Lake Police Department is expected to begin operations on or about August 31, 2026, in accordance with the implementation timeline previously authorized by the City Council in Resolution No. 2025-15.

Section 4. **Continuity.** Except as expressly amended herein, all other provisions of Ordinance No. 260 shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 5. **Clerical Errors.** The City Council directs the City Clerk to correct any clerical errors found in this Ordinance including, but not limited to, typographical errors, irregular numbering and incorrect section references.

Section 6. **Severability.** Should any section, subsection, clause, or provision of this Ordinance for any reason be held to be invalid or unconstitutional, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of the remaining portions of this Ordinance; it being hereby expressly declared that this Ordinance, and each section, subsection, sentence, clause, and phrase hereof would have been prepared, proposed, approved, and ratified irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses, or phrases be declared invalid, unenforceable, or unconstitutional.

Section 7. **Effective Date (Urgency).** This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon adoption by four-fifths of the City Council as this ordinance relates to the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety for the reasons set forth above.

Section 8. **Publication.** The Mayor shall sign this Ordinance and the City Clerk shall certify as to the adoption and shall cause the ordinance or a summary thereof to be published in accordance with state law.

PASSED APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 2nd day of October, 2025.

Mark Terry, Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Sheryl Garcia, MMC, CPM
City Clerk

Steven Graham Pacifico, City Attorney