BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

COUNTY OF KITTITAS

STATE OF WASHINGTON

ORDINANCE NO 2009-18

ORDINANCE INCREASING CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION FOR THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE FROM 3 TO 5 MEMBERS.

WHEREAS, Under RCW 41.14, a Civil Service Commission for the Sheriff's Office was created to establish a merit system of employment for the Kittitas County Sheriff Office's deputies and other employees; and

WHEREAS, The Civil Commission members are appointed by the Board of County Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, RCW 41.14.030(2)(a) allows for the County, by ordinance, to increase the number of members serving on the commission from three to five members; and

WHEREAS, If the commission is expanded to five members, the terms of the three commissioners serving at the time of the increase are not affected; and

WHEREAS, the Kittitas County Board of Commissioners desires to expand the Civil Commission from 3 to 5 members.

WHEREAS, RCW 41.14 governs all of the Civil Service Commission's procedures and responsibilities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Title 2 of Kittitas County Code is amended to include the following Chapter 2.17 KCC.

KCC 2.17 Number of Members of the Civil Service Commission for the Sheriff's Office

2.17.01 Purpose.

The purpose of this section is to increase the established Civil Service Commission for the Sheriff's Office from three to five members.

2.17.02 Duties.

RCW 41.14 governs the Civil Service Commission's procedures and responsibilities, including but not limited to duties, policies, appeals, and disciplinary actions.

2.17.03 Term.

All members of the Civil Service Commission for the Sheriff's Office will have a six year term.

2.17.04 Quorum.

Three commissioners constitute a quorum and the votes of three commissioners concurring are sufficient for the decision of all matters and the transaction of all business decided or transacted by the commission.

2.17.05 Political ties.

No more than three commissioners may be adherents of the same political party.

2.17.06 Residency.

No person shall be appointed to the commission who is not a citizen of the United States, a resident of the county for at least two years immediately preceding his appointment, and an elector of the county wherein he resides

2.17.07 Severability.

If any provision of this Chapter or its application to any person or circumstances is held invalid, the remainder of the Chapter or the application of the Chapter to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected.

ADOPTED this / st day of September 2009.

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