

CHAPTER 1

VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

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4-1-1: **CREATION:** For the protection of lives and property of the citizens of the City, there is hereby created a volunteer fire department to be known as the Hayward Volunteer Fire Department. (Ord. 2, 6-8-1948)

4-1-2: **MEMBERSHIP:** Such Fire Department shall consist of as many members as the Council may from time to time determine. (Ord. 2, 6-8-1948)

4-1-3: **OFFICERS:**

- A. Established: The officers of such Department shall be a Chief and one Assistant Chief, a president, a vice president, a secretary and a treasurer. (Ord. 2, 6-8-1948)
- B. Election; Term: The officers of such Department shall be elected at the annual meeting thereof, on the second Wednesday in January of each year, shall assume their duties effective immediately and shall hold their respective offices for one year. (Ord. 2, 6-8-1948; 1997 Code)
- C. President And Vice President: The Chief and the Assistant Chief shall be eligible to the offices of president and vice president.

- D. Fire Marshal: The Chief shall be the Fire Marshal of the City.
- E. Council Approval: The Chief and his Assistant shall be subject to the approval of the Council. (Ord. 2, 6-8-1948)

4-1-4: **REGULATIONS AND BYLAWS:** The Department shall make all their own regulations and bylaws for the government of the same and shall report at least once a year to the Council the names of all members of the Department and the regulations and bylaws adopted. (Ord. 2, 6-8-1948)

4-1-5: **FIRE CALLS:**

- A. Authority To Respond: The Department is hereby authorized to answer fire calls in the surrounding country and calls to assist in neighboring cities, and for that purpose take what apparatus is necessary.
- B. On Duty Status: When answering such calls, the members of the Department shall be considered as on duty as City volunteer firemen. (Ord. 2, 6-8-1948)

4-1-6: **RELIEF ASSOCIATION:** The Department may, whenever they decide to do so, organize a relief association in accordance with State law. (Ord. 2, 6-8-1948)