



ORDINANCE 2026-A510

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF CAMP VERDE, YAVAPAI COUNTY, ARIZONA, AMENDING CHAPTER 3 (ADMINISTRATION), ARTICLE 2 (OFFICERS), 3-2-4 OF THE TOWN MUNICIPAL CODE TO REMOVE POSITION-SPECIFIC RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS FOR THE TOWN MARSHAL.

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Camp Verde has authority to establish employment qualifications and conditions for Town officers and employees; and

WHEREAS, Section 3-1-1 of the Camp Verde Town Code already authorizes the Town to impose residency requirements for any position as reflected in the advertising for the position, including timelines and extensions granted by Council action; and

WHEREAS, Section 3-2-4 currently imposes position-specific residency requirements for the Town Marshal; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council finds that maintaining position-specific residency requirements unnecessarily limits applicant pools, particularly in light of current housing availability and cost-of-living challenges within the Town of Camp Verde; and

WHEREAS, removing position-specific residency requirements while retaining the Town's general authority under Section 3-1-1 provides greater flexibility to attract highly qualified candidates while preserving Council discretion to require residency when appropriate.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF CAMP VERDE:

Section 1: Section 3-2-4 of the Camp Verde Town Code is hereby amended by striking the residency requirement language in its entirety, so that Section 3-2-4 no longer requires the Town Marshal to reside within the Town limits and allowing instead for a 30 minute distance requirement, as reflected in the attached Exhibit A.

Section 2: All ordinance or parts of the ordinances adopted by the Town of Camp Verde in conflict with the provision of this ordinance or any part of the code adopted, are hereby repealed, effective as of the effective date of this ordinance;

Section 3: If any section, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion of this ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by the decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance; and

Section 4: This Ordinance shall be effective upon expiration of a thirty (30) day period following the adoption hereof and completion of publication and any posting as required by Arizona State Law.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY A MAJORITY OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF CAMP VERDE, ARIZONA, ON THIS 18TH DAY OF FEBRUARY 2026.



Marie Moore, Mayor

Attest:



Town Clerk-Leah Rhodes

Approved as to form:



Trish Stuhan-Town Attorney

"Exhibits on file at the Town Clerk's Office, 473 S Main St. Ste 102, Camp Verde, Arizona."

EXHIBIT A

Redline – Residency Requirement Amendments

Section 3-2-4 – Town Marshal

Current Code Language (Excerpt):

The office of the Town Marshal is hereby established. The Town Marshal shall be appointed by the Town Manager on the basis of ability and shall hold office pursuant to Section 3-1-3. A of this code. The Town Marshal is required to establish residency within the Town of Camp Verde as prescribed in Section 3-1-1 of this code.

Proposed Amendment (Redline):

The office of the Town Marshal is hereby established. The Town Marshal shall be appointed by the Town Manager on the basis of ability and shall hold office pursuant to Section 3-1-3. A of this code. The Town Marshal is required to establish residency within ~~the Town of Camp Verde as prescribed in Section 3-1-1 of this code.~~ 30 minutes from the Camp Verde Marshal's Office within one hundred eighty (180) days of the date of hire.