

Bill No. 5185

Ordinance No. _____

Requested by: Chief Kurt Frisz

Sponsored by: Matt Swanson, Joe Brazil, Dave Hammond
and Tim Baker

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 605.090
AND 605.140, ORDINANCES OF ST. CHARLES
COUNTY, MISSOURI (“OSCCMo”) CONCERNING
THE UNIFORMS OF COMMISSIONED POLICE
OFFICERS

WHEREAS, all watchmen and security officers are required to be in uniform at all times while on duty; and

WHEREAS, the required uniform shall be an indication that the watchmen and security officers are at the place of business to protect property, employees and customers of the business; and

WHEREAS, the St. Charles County Council finds that amending Section 605.090 OSCCMo. to allow Commissioned Police Officers to wear the official uniform of St. Charles County Police Department or any other law enforcement agency while performing the duties and carrying out the responsibilities of watchmen, security officer, or Concealed Carry Security Officers (“CCSOs”) will promote the safety and well-being of employees and customers of St. Charles County businesses.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF ST. CHARLES COUNTY, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Section 605.090 OSCCMo. is hereby amended as follows (additions in **bold** type, deletions in [~~bracketed and stricken~~] type):

Section 605.090 Identification Card – Uniform.

Each such person licensed as a watchman, security officer, or CCSO shall receive an identification card that shall prominently indicate the position that the person is licensed for and provide proof of identity, authority, and possession of a valid license. The licensee will carry said card at all times while on duty. The loss of this card will be reported immediately to the St. Charles County Police Department or the designated agency and a duplicate card will be issued for a fee of fifteen dollars (\$15.00). **Excepting uniforms issued by the St. Charles County Police Department or any other law enforcement agency within St. Charles County, provided they are worn by commissioned police officers who are authorized under the provisions of Section 605.140,** [~~The~~] the uniform worn by licensees on duty shall be unlike the official uniform of the St. Charles County Police Department or any other law enforcement agency within St. Charles County. The licensee's uniform shall be complete with a cap and wearing a breast-type badge clearly visible at all times while the licensee is on duty, unless specific written permission for some other type of attire or dress is granted by the Chief of Police. Each person must exhibit a name bar one-eighth ($\frac{1}{8}$) inch above the right pocket of the uniform shirt depicting the name as it appears on the identification card. Each person

licensed under the provision hereof shall at all times maintain on file with the Chief of Police or the designated agency a photograph accurately depicting the uniform, emblems and badges worn. If such person is employed by a person, firm or corporation which employs more than one (1) watchman [øæ], security officer, or CCSO who wear identical uniforms, emblems and badges, it shall be sufficient under this Section for such person, firm or corporation to maintain on file one (1) photograph accurately depicting each separate type of uniform, emblem or badge worn by its employees during the performance of their duties.

Section 2. Section 605.140 of the OSCCMo. is hereby amended as follows (additions in bold type, deletions in [bracketed and stricken] type):

Section 605.140 Police Officer Provisions.

A. Commissioned Police Officers of the State of Missouri may be licensed to perform the duties and carry out the responsibilities of watchmen, security officer, or CCSOs provided they are employed during the term of their license as commissioned Police Officers in the State of Missouri. Each officer must have secondary employment approval by his or her employing department.

B. During the one (1) year term of the license, all licenses granted under this provision cease to be valid simultaneously with termination of the commissioned status.

C. No further training is required during employment as long as a Police Officer is qualified by State certification.

D. Responsibilities and obligations when performing in the licensed status shall be those applicable to the licensed function being performed, except that nothing in this provision shall diminish or enlarge upon the duties and responsibilities of the officers as provided for by Statute and his or her department regulations.

E. A Police Officer or other POST licensed officer may be approved by his or her department to wear their officially issued uniform while performing the duties and carrying out the responsibilities of watchmen, security officer, or CCSOs. Such approval shall be in accordance with his or her employing department's secondary employment policy.

DATE PASSED

DATE APPROVED BY COUNTY EXECUTIVE

CHAIR OF THE COUNCIL

COUNTY EXECUTIVE

ATTEST:

COUNTY REGISTRAR