

CITY OF VINELAND, N.J.

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-73

ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR LEGAL REPRESENTATION
OF THE ARMED SECURITY OFFICERS EMPLOYED BY THE
CITY OF VINELAND IN DEFENSE OF CRIMINAL CHARGES
BROUGHT AS A RESULT OF THEIR LEGAL ACTIONS
WHILE CARRYING OUT THEIR OFFICIAL DUTIES FOR THE
CITY OF VINELAND.

City Council recognizes potential dangers in protecting the public, employees, and property. The City employed armed security officers who are trained and licensed in accordance with the Security Officer Registration Act, N.J.S.A 45:19A-1 et seq. (Armed SORA Officer) which requires training and approvals through the New Jersey Division of State Police. City Council finds it to be in the best interest of its employees and members of the public to provide for the defense of Armed SORA Officers acting within the scope of their employment with the City under certain circumstances. This Ordinance provides for legal representation for city employed armed SORA Officers for their defense in criminal or disorderly offenses in their official capacity employed by the City.

The above ordinance was introduced and passed on its first reading at a meeting of the Council of the City of Vineland conducted on October 13, 2026 and is scheduled for a second reading, public hearing, and adoption at a meeting of said Council scheduled for Tuesday, October 27, 2026, at 5:30 p.m., prevailing time, in City Council Chambers, City Hall, Seventh & Wood Streets, Vineland, NJ.

This ordinance is posted on the official bulletin board on the ground floor lobby of City Hall and full copies may be obtained by anyone without cost from the office of the Municipal Clerk, or by visiting the City's website, www.vinelandcity.org, under "City Council," "Current Council Meeting Agenda."

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