

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
CITY OF LOWELL

In City Council

ORDINANCE

An Ordinance Amending "The Code of Ordinances City of Lowell, Massachusetts" With Respect to Chapter 150 thereof Entitled, "Fees" by amending certain sections.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOWELL, as follows:


"The Code for the City of Lowell," hereinafter called the "Code", adopted by the City Council on December 23, 2008, is hereby amended with respect to 150 thereof, by amending certain sections:

1. By amending Chapter 150, Entitled **Fees; Police Department** by adding the following new numbers 16, 17, and 18 as follows:

	Department/Reference	Unit/ Frequency	Fee
16	Reports		
17	Accident Report – Online Records Request (Insurance Companies)	Per Report	\$16.00
18	Accident Report – Online Records Request (Citizen Request – non-agency)	Per Report	\$0

2. All provisions of the Lowell City Code, as amended, which are consistent with this Ordinance, shall continue in effect, but all provisions of said Code inconsistent herewith, are repealed.
3. This Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 43 of the Massachusetts General Laws.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Christine P. O'Connor
City Solicitor



Thomas A. Golden, Jr.
City Manager

June 22, 2022

Mayor Sokhary Chau
And
Members of the Lowell City Council

Dear Mayor Chau and Members of the Lowell City Council,

Enclosed is an Ordinance to establish a new fee in the Lowell Police Department. The purpose of this new fee is to recover costs by the city in conjunction with a modernization effort by the LPD to offer accident reports to the public 24/7 and through an online system. The fee will be applicable only to insurance companies who request the reports and will allow the department to offer the services to the public for free.

This vote accompanies the ordinance to establish a revolving fund for the same purpose. Both votes are on the agenda together. This accounting method will allow the Police Superintendent greater flexibility to use the funds and will afford the Lowell Police Department the opportunity to provide a more efficient service to the public.

Sincerely,

Thomas A. Golden, Jr.
City Manager

CC: Conor Baldwin, Chief Financial Officer
Barry Golner, Interim Police Superintendent