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## Legislation Text

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### ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, Special Service Areas (SSAs) are local taxing districts in the City of Chicago that fund expanded services and programs through a localized property tax levy in a specific area; and

WHEREAS, SSAs frequently contract for security services from private contractors; and

WHEREAS, These private contractors frequently use off-duty Chicago sworn police officers; and

**WHEREAS, The public interest would be served by off-duty officers wearing their Chicago Police Department uniform, providing businesses and residents with a greater sense of safety and security; NOW, THEREFORE,**

#### **BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO:**

SECTION 1. The above recitals are incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.

SECTION 2. Chapter 2-45 of the Municipal Code is hereby amended by adding new Section 2-45-160 which is underscored below:

#### **§ 2-45-160 Special Service Area Security Services.**

A) Special Service Areas (SSAs) may enter into agreements for the provision of security services by licensed contractors using uniformed, off-duty sworn Chicago Police Department officers. Nothing in this section requires an SSA to provide security services or to have sworn officers be in uniform when providing services.

B) SSAs using uniformed, off-duty officers for security services must enter into an agreement with a security contractor licensed by the State of Illinois which provides that:

(1) The security contractor shall provide Comprehensive General Liability (CGL) insurance in the amount of not less than \$2,000,000 per occurrence for bodily injury, personal injury and property damage liability. The SSA and the City shall be named as additional insureds.

(2) The contractor shall agree to defend and indemnify the SSA, the City and their employees and agents from, for, and against, all suits, claims, grievances, damages, costs, expenses, judgments, and liabilities, including costs of defense and reasonable attorneys' fees.

(C) The City retains the right to provide defense for itself or its agents. However, the City shall have no obligation to provide a defense for the security contractor or the SSA.

SECTION 3. If any provision of this ordinance shall be held to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, then the invalidity or unenforceability of such provision will not affect any of the remaining provision of this ordinance.

**BRIAN HOPKINS**  
Alderman, 2<sup>na</sup> Ward

SECTION 4. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect immediately upon passage and publication.

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