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Departmental Directive

201.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

Departmental Directives establish an interdepartmental communication that may be used by the Chief of Police to make immediate changes topolicy and procedure consistent with the current Memorandum of Understanding and as permitted by Government Code § 3500 et seq. Departmental Directives will immediately modify or change and supersede sections of this manual to which they pertain.

201.1.1 DEPARTMENTAL DIRECTIVES

Departmental Directives will be incorporated into the manual as required upon approval of the Chief of Police. Departmental Directives will modify existing policies or create a new policy as appropriate and will be rescinded upon incorporation into the manual.

All existing Departmental Directives have now been incorporated in the updated Policy Manual as of the below revision date.

Any Departmental Directives issued after publication of the manual shall be numbered consecutively starting with the last two digits of the year, followed by the number 01. For example, 16-01 signifies the first Departmental Directive for the year 2016.

If the Departmental Directive is intended to be a permanent change the Directives changes shall be incorporated into the Police Policy Manual during the annual update or earlier if deemed necessary by the Chief of Police.

201.2 RESPONSIBILITIES

201.2.1 STAFF

The staff shall review and approve revisions of the Policy Manual, which will incorporate changes originally made by a Departmental Directive.

201.2.2 AGENCYHEAD

The Chief of Police shall issue all Departmental Directives.

201.3 ACCEPTANCE OF DEPARTMENTAL DIRECTIVES

All employees are required to read and obtain any necessary clarification of all Department Directives. All employees are required to acknowledge in writing the receipt and review of any new Department Directives. Signed acknowledgement forms and/or e-mail receipts showing an employee's acknowledgement will be maintained by the Administration Sergeant.