

RESOLUTION NO. 32520

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RETIREMENT OF K-9
REX AS A SERVICE DOG.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE, that it is hereby authorizing the retirement of K-9 Rex as a service dog.

1) Rex is eleven (11) years old with more than seven (7) years of faithful police service. During his service, he assisted in the recovery of eighty (80) firearms, over forty (40) pounds of marijuana, sixteen (16) pounds of cocaine, and seventeen (17) pounds of meth. During his service, he was responsible for over two hundred sixty (260) apprehensions;

2) At the age of eleven (11), K-9 Rex is facing health issues, including increasingly severe arthritis, as well as other normal aging effects that make his day-to-day responsibilities difficult. K-9 Rex will be greatly missed, as he has been a valuable asset to our department since 2017. Therefore, it is recommended K-9 Rex to be retired and placed in the care of his former handler, Officer Jeremy Wilson;

3) Rex's former handler, Officer Wilson, understands the responsibility of Rex's retirement; and

4) Officer Wilson has asked to keep K-9 Rex and is willing to accept all responsibilities for Rex's future care such as medical, food, and housing.

ADOPTED: May 20, 2025

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