

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKE FOREST, CALIFORNIA, DELETING SECTION 2.04.050 OF THE LAKE FOREST MUNICIPAL CODE AND ESTABLISHING COMPENSATION FOR CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKE FOREST DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. FINDINGS

A. The City of Lake Forest desires to provide a salary to Members of the City Council in accordance with California law.

B. In 1991, the City set Council Member compensation at six hundred dollars (\$600.00) per month pursuant to Ordinance No. 91-09. This compensation level is codified in Section 2.04.050 of the Lake Forest Municipal Code.

C. California Government Code section 36516(a)(3) allows the City Council to periodically adjust its compensation by ordinance in an amount not to exceed five percent (5%) per year since the last salary adjustment.

D. The City has not adjusted compensation for City Council Members since it was first set in 1991.

E. State law does not allow for automatic increases in Council Member compensation, and requires that any increase not take effect for all Council Members until after one or more Council Members begin a new term of office.

SECTION 2. DELETION OF SECTION 2.04.050 OF THE L.F.M.C.

The City Council hereby deletes in its entirety section 2.04.050 of the Lake Forest Municipal Code ("Council Compensation") pertaining to compensation for City Council Members.

SECTION 3. COMPENSATION INCREASE

A. The City Council hereby authorizes an increase in Council Member compensation as provided below.

B. Said increase shall be in the amount of 9.7%, rounded-up to the nearest whole dollar, which is the cumulative CPI for the period beginning April 2004 and ending April 2006, the most recently available CPI calculation at the time this Ordinance is considered, for a total of six hundred fifty-nine dollars (\$659.00) per month, per Council Member.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF ORANGE) ss.
CITY OF LAKE FOREST)

, Sherry A.F. Wentz, City Clerk of the City of Lake Forest, do hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance No. 160 was duly introduced and placed upon its first reading at a regular meeting of the City Council on the 20th day of June, 2006, and thereafter, said Ordinance was duly adopted and passed at a regular meeting of the City Council on the 5th day of July, 2006, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: HERZOG, TETTEMER, DIXON

NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: MCCULLOUGH, RUDOLPH

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS: NONE

ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS: NONE



SHERRY A.F. WENTZ, CMC, CITY CLERK

SECTION 4. SEVERABILITY

If any provision of this Ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the Ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this Ordinance are severable. The City Council hereby declares that it would have adopted this Ordinance irrespective of the invalidity of any particular portion thereof.

SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall become effective thirty (30) days from its adoption; however, the compensation increase authorized in Section 2 shall not take effect until December 2006, subsequent to the terms commencing for Members of the City Council elected in the General Election to be held November 7, 2006.

SECTION 6. PUBLICATION

The City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this ordinance and cause it, or a summary of it, to be published once in a newspaper of general circulation printed and published within the City of Lake Forest.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 5th day of July, 2006.



RICHARD T. DIXON, MAYOR

ATTEST



SHERRY A. WENTZ, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


SCOTT C. SMITH, CITY ATTORNEY