



# City of Grand Island

Tuesday, August 11, 2020

Council Session

## Item F-1

**#9780 - Consideration of Amending Grand Island City Code  
Section 2-21 - City Council Members Compensation**

Staff Contact: Aaron Schmid, Human Resources Director

# Council Agenda Memo

**From:** Aaron Schmid, Human Resources Director

**Meeting:** August 11, 2020

**Subject:** Consideration of Amending Grand Island City Code Section 2-21 – City Council Members Compensation

**Presenter(s):** Aaron Schmid, Human Resources Director

## Background

The City of Grand Island City Code, Chapter 2 Administration, Article I. Meetings; Committees §2-21 City Council Members; Compensation states, “Beginning at the first regular Council meeting in December, 2014 and thereafter, the annual compensation for members of the city council shall be seven thousand eight hundred dollars (\$7,800.00), payable monthly in equal installments as required by law.”

## Discussion

A wage survey was completed in 2019 which included a review of Council compensation. Array responses indicate the midpoint compensation should be adjusted to eight thousand four hundred dollars (\$8,400.00). The proposed increase would become effective the first regular Council meeting in December with the seating of the next Council. Under current law, the filing fee for city council is based upon the salary in effect for council members as of November 30 of the year preceding the election.

## Alternatives

It appears that the Council has the following alternatives concerning the issue at hand. The Council may:

1. Move to approve
2. Refer the issue to a Committee
3. Postpone the issue to future date
4. Take no action on the issue

## **Recommendation**

City Administration makes no recommendations.

ORDINANCE NO. 9780

WHEREAS, the Grand Island City Council has decided to amend Sections 2-21, its law setting forth the compensation of members of the City Council,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA:

I. That §2-21 of the Grand Island City Code be amended to read as follows:

**§2-21. City Council Members; Compensation**

Beginning at the first regular Council meeting in December, 2020 and thereafter the annual compensation for members of the city council shall be eight thousand four hundred dollars (\$8,400.00), payable monthly in equal installments as required by law.

II. The Administration is directed to bring this matter before the Council for review as part of the City's budget during years in which there is a Council election.

III. Any ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict are hereby repealed.

IV. This ordinance shall be in full force and will take effect from and after its passage.

Enacted: August 11, 2020.

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Roger G. Steele, Mayor

ATTEST:

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RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

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| August 7, 2020      | ☐ City Attorney |