



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, August 23, 2022

Council Session

Item F-2

**#9893 - Consideration of Amending Grand Island City Code
Section 2-21 Relative to City Council Compensation**

Staff Contact: Aaron Schmid, Human Resources Director

Council Agenda Memo

From: Aaron Schmid, Human Resources Director

Meeting: August 23, 2022

Subject: Consideration of Amending Grand Island City Code Section 2-21 Relative to Council Compensation, Ordinance No. 9893

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 2022 which included a review of Council compensation. Array responses indicate the midpoint compensation should be adjusted to eleven thousand dollars (\$11,000.00). 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 recommends that the Council approve proposed Ordinance No. 9893.

Sample Motion

Move to approve Ordinance No. 9893.

ORDINANCE NO. 9893

An ordinance to amend Chapter 2 of the Grand Island City Code specifically to Section §2-21 setting forth the compensation of members of the City Council; to repeal any ordinance or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith; and to provide for publication in pamphlet form and the effective date of this ordinance.

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, 2022 and thereafter the annual compensation for members of the city council shall be eleven thousand dollars (\$11,000.00), 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 23, 2022.

Roger G. Steele, Mayor

ATTEST:

RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

Approved as to Form	☒ _____
August 19, 2022	☒ City Attorney