

CITY OF LANGLEY, WASHINGTON

ORDINANCE NO. ____

AN ORDINANCE of the City of Langley, Washington, amending LMC Section 2.60.010 and 2.60.015 and repealing LMC 2.60.017 concerning the duties, salary and benefits for the Mayor.

WHEREAS, the City Council on October 20, 2008 passed Ordinance No. 911 which amended Section 2.60.010 and created Sections 2.60.015 and 2.60.017 of the Langley Municipal Code ("LMC") to establish a process for adopting a plan of administration and setting the salary and benefits for each Mayor as he or she begins his or her term of office; and

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to clarify the duties for which the Mayor is responsible and to establish a salary which is commensurate with a position which is expected to devote his or her full time efforts to the position; and

WHEREAS, the City Council hereby recognizes the constitutional separation of powers between the Mayor as the executive branch of local government and the City Council as the legislative branch and thereby wishes to eliminate language in its existing code linking mayoral duties to a plan of administration and salary; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that it is in the best interests of the City and the public to enact this ordinance to set mayoral duties and compensation in advance of the next mayoral election;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANGLEY WASHINGTON, DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. LMC 2.60.010 entitled *Mayor - Established Duties* is hereby amended to read as follows:

The regularly established duties of the Mayor shall be as follows: The Mayor shall perform the duties set forth in RCW Chapter 35A.12.100.

Section 2. LMC Section 2.60.015 entitled *Mayor - Base Salary* is hereby amended to read as follows:

The annual salary of the Mayor shall be \$_____ which shall be paid in equal monthly installments. The Mayor shall also receive medical and dental insurance coverage the same as non-represented City employees and no other benefits, other than those to which he or she is entitled by state or federal law, for the performance of the regularly established duties of the Mayor specified in LMC Section 2.60.010. The Mayor shall be reimbursed for expenses legally incurred in the conduct of his or her duties as Mayor.

Section 3. LMC Section 2.60.017 entitled *Adjusted salary and benefits in accordance with adopted Plan of Administration* is hereby repealed in its entirety.

Section 4. Severability. If any section, paragraph, subsection, clause or phrase of this ordinance is held invalid for any reason, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance.

Section 5. Effective Date. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect January 1, 2012. Provided, however, this ordinance shall not become effective and shall be deemed void and of no effect if the Mayor-Council form of government is abandoned and replaced with a Council-Manager form of government as a result of the ballot proposition set for August 16, 2011.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANGLEY, WASHINGTON, and approved by the Mayor at a regular meeting held this 6th day of June, 2011.

PAUL O. SAMUELSON, Mayor

ATTEST:

DEBBIE L. MAHLER, Clerk-Treasurer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

GRANT K. WEED, City Attorney

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