## Ordinance No. 00109

(Council Minutes 97/01/21)

## **ORDINANCE NO. 109**

AN ORDINANCE of the City Council of the City of Lakewood, Washington, fixing the compensation for the Mayor and City Councilmembers

WHEREAS, the compensation paid to the Mayor and the Members of the City Council of the City of Lakewood, Washington has been heretofore set by statute (RCW 35A.13.040) at the current rate of five hundred (\$500.00) dollars per month for the Mayor and four hundred (\$400.00) dollars per month for the City Councilmembers, which amounts are set as the initial salary for newly established City Council - Manager cities of over fifteen thousand in population; and,

WHEREAS, in order to adequately provide compensation to the City Councilmembers for the substantial commitment and investment of time and energy needed to serve on the City Council, and to provide a fair level of compensation that is geared to promote positive participation in local government, and to attract and retain qualified people to serve on the City Council, it is appropriate to adjust the compensation to be paid to the Mayor and to the City Councilmembers, reflecting the contributions of work for and leadership of the City made by the Mayor and City Councilmembers; and,

WHEREAS, Article XI, Section 8 of the Constitution of the State of Washington provides that salaries of elective municipal officials shall not be increased during their term of office, so that any Ordinance providing for an increase in compensation to the Mayor and City Councilmembers could not be effective during the current term of office; and,

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the City Council to provide for a salary increase to be effective and applicable to those elective City officials who are subsequently elected to the City Council, with the compensation rate provided in this Ordinance to be effective January 1, 1998.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD, WASHINGTON DO ORDAIN as follows:

Section 1. That effective January 1, 1998, the compensation to be paid to the Mayor and to the Members of the Lakewood City Council shall be as follows:

Mayor \$900.00 per month

Councilmembers \$700.00 per month

Section 2. That if any portion of this Ordinance or its application to any person or circumstances is held invalid, the remainder of the Ordinance or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected.

Section 3. That this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect five (5) days after publication of the Ordinance Summary.

ADOPTED by the City Council this 21st day of January, 1997.

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| Attest: Bill Harrison, Mayor   |  |
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| Alice M. Bush, CMC, City Clerk |  |
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| Approved as to Form:           |  |
| /S/                            |  |
| Daniel B. Heid, City Attorney  |  |
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CITY OF LAKEWOOD