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## Legal Department

**To:** Mayor Campbell and Members of the City Council

**From:** Judy K. Parks, City Attorney

**Date:** April 17, 2017

**Subject:** Mayor and Council Member Compensation Ordinance

During approval of the City's FY 2017/18 budget, an increase in the annual compensation of elected officials was approved. The compensation of the Mayor is to increase from the present annual amount of \$8,000 to \$11,000, and the compensation of council members is to increase from its current rate of \$7,000 per annum to \$10,000.

Because compensation of elected officials is established by ordinance, amendment to the existing Municipal Code is needed to make these changes. The amendment needs to be done prior to January 1, 2018, when the change will go into effect.

A proposed ordinance which will establish these changes is attached. Your favorable consideration of this is requested in order to have all three readings and publication completed as council directed.

ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF AMES, IOWA, BY REPEALING SUBSECTION 2.11(4) AND SECTION 2.23 AND READOPTING THE SAME AS REVISED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INCREASING THE COMPENSATION OF THE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL; REPEALING ANY AND ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT TO THE EXTENT OF SUCH CONFLICT; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**BE IT ENACTED**, by the City Council for the City of Ames, Iowa, that:

Section One. The Municipal Code of the City of Ames, Iowa shall be and the same is hereby amended by repealing Subsection 2.11(4) and Section 2.23 and readopting the same revised to state as follows:

**“Sec. 2.11. OTHER MATTERS PERTAINING TO THE MAYOR AND MAYOR PRO TEM.**

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(4) The mayor shall receive as full compensation for service the sum of Eleven Thousand Dollars (\$11,000) per annum.

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**Sec. 2.23. COMPENSATION OF COUNCIL MEMBERS.**

Each Council member shall receive as full compensation for his or her services the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) per annum.”

Section Two. All ordinances, or parts of ordinances, in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict, if any.

Section Three. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect commencing on January 1, 2018, after its passage and publication as required by law.

Passed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.

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Diane R. Voss, City Clerk

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Ann H. Campbell, Mayor