

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-01

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE SALARY OF CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS AND PRESIDENT FOR THE TERMS BEGINNING ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2025

WHEREAS, Section 2.03 of the Charter of the City of Wooster requires salaries of elected officials to be set by Ordinance of City Council at least five days prior to the last day for filing for candidacy; and in connection therewith, that a Compensation Commission will be convened every four years to review the compensation of elected officials and make recommendations as to the amounts to be paid thereto; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 2.03 of the Charter a Compensation Commission was impaneled by approval of Wooster City Council on December 11, 2023; and the commission convened soon thereafter to organize and conduct deliberations, as provided in the Charter; and

WHEREAS, such salaries were last established in 2019; and the Compensation Commission has completed its study and submitted its report to this Council (a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein), and hereby recommends that the salary paid to the members of City Council and Council President be increased in order to bring that office in line with the peer cities identified by the commission.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOOSTER, OHIO:

SECTION 1. The salaries of President of Council and Members of Council shall be established as follows:

A. President of Council:

For any term beginning after January 1, 2025.....\$11,000.00 Annually

B. Council Member:

For any term beginning after January 1, 2025.....\$9,000.00 Annually

SECTION 2. This Council finds and declares that all formal actions concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance occurred in an open meeting of this Council or its committees, in compliance with the law.

SECTION 3. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force from and after the earliest date allowed by law.

1st reading 1-2-24 2nd reading → 3rd reading 1-2-24

Passed: January 2, 2024

Vote: 6-1

Attest: Amy Hamilton  
Clerk of Council

[Signature]  
President of Council

Approved: 1/3, 2024

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Mayor

Introduced by: Michael Abernathy