

ORDINANCE NO. 23-048

AN ORDINANCE BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA, **AMENDING CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE II., DIVISION 1, SEC. 2-19 COMPENSATION** OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES; ESTABLISHING THE COMPENSATION DUE TO MAYOR AND COMMISSIONERS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, at a Budget Workshop and Conference Agenda meeting on July 10, 2023, the Mayor and City Commission discussed their current salaries.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by City Commission of the City of Fort Pierce, Florida:

SECTION 1. Chapter 2, Article II, Division 1, Section 2-19, of the Code of Ordinances, is hereby amended as follows:

Sec. 2-19. - Compensation.

- (a) Effective ~~April 1, 2024~~ October 1, 2023, the annual compensation of the mayor-commissioner of the city shall be ~~\$36,301.20~~ 40,560.00. Any modification to this amount must be done by ordinance specific to this section of the code.
- (b) Effective ~~April 1, 2024~~ October 1, 2023, the annual compensation of each city commissioner of the city shall be ~~\$27,814.80~~ 31,200.00. Any modification to this amount must be done by ordinance specific to this section of the code.
- (c) In no event shall the mayor-commissioner or city commissioners be compensated in excess of the salaries, provided in subsections (a) and (b) of this section, for attending any regular, postponed or special meeting.
- (d) The compensation for the mayor-commissioner and city commissioners shall be payable at the same time that other city employees are paid.

SECTION 2. The provisions of this Ordinance are declared to be severable and if any section, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance shall, for any reason, be held to be invalid or unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining sections, sentences, clauses, and phrases of this Ordinance, which shall remain in effect, it being the legislative intent that this Ordinance shall stand notwithstanding the invalidity of any part.

SECTION 3. All ordinances or parts thereof that may be determined to be in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 4. This ordinance is and the same shall become effective as of October 1, 2023.

APPROVED AS TO FORM
AND CORRECTNESS:

Sara Hedges
Interim City Attorney

**STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF ST. LUCIE**

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, Mayor Commissioner and the City Clerk of the City of Fort Pierce, Florida, do hereby certify that the foregoing and above Ordinance No. 23-0048 was duly advertised by title only in the St. Lucie News Tribune on August 11, 2023; copy of said Ordinance was made available at the office of the City Clerk to the public upon request; said Ordinance was duly introduced, read by title only, and passed on first reading by the City Commission of the City of Fort Pierce, Florida, on Monday, August 17, 2023; and was duly introduced, read by title only, and passed on second and final reading on Tuesday, September 5, 2023, by the City Commission of the City of Fort Pierce, Florida.

IN WITNESS HEREWITH, we hereunto set our hands and affix the Official Seal of the City of Fort Pierce, Florida.

Linda Hudson
MAYOR COMMISSIONER

ATTEST

Linda W. Cox
CITY CLERK

(CITY SEAL)