



City of Longview

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Minutes - Final

Longview Citizens' Commission on Salaries of Elected Officials

Tuesday, February 13, 2018

5:00 PM

City Hall

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, in accordance with RCW Chapter 42.30, that the Longview Citizens' Commission on Salaries of Elected Officials of the City of Longview, Washington, will conduct a special meeting in the Longview City Hall Training Room, 1525 Broadway, Longview, on Tuesday, February 13, at 5:00 p.m. The topics of discussion follow. Final disposition shall be taken on no other matter.

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1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Jeff Wilson called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

2. **ROLL CALL**

Present: 5 - Jeff Wilson, Nicholas Higgins, Robert Patterson, George Brajcich and Keith Larson

Absent: 2 - Duane Dalgleish and Dianne Quast

STAFF PRESENT

City Attorney Jim McNamara and City Clerk Kaylee Cody.

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

On a motion duly made and passed, the reading of the minutes of the salary commission meeting held April 26, 2016, copies of which had been submitted to the members of the salary commission, was waived and the minutes were approved as if read.

[18-5296](#)

SALARY COMMISSION MINUTES, APRIL 26, 2016

Attachments: [4.26.16 Salary Commission Minutes](#)

4. **REVIEW CURRENT COUNCIL COMPENSATION**

[18-5297](#)

**2017 AWC SALARY SURVEY - MAYOR/COUNCIL SALARIES IN THE
STATE OF WASHINGTON**

Attachments: [2017 AWC Salary Survey- MayorCouncilOnly](#)

The salary commission reviewed the 2017 AWC Salary Survey and discussed the roles & responsibilities of the mayor, mayor pro-tem & council members.

It was agreed that the mayor's salary is already in-line with the salaries of mayors in similarly sized Washington cities with the council-manager form of government.

A motion was made by Robert Patterson, seconded by George Brajcich, to direct staff to prepare a resolution to increase the salaries of the mayor pro-tem and council members by \$25 this year and \$25 the following year (\$25 increase for twelve months effective upon the official filing date of the new salary schedule and a second \$25 increase after the first twelve month period). A public hearing will be held before the salary commission can consider adoption of the proposed increases. The motion passed by the following vote:

**Ayes - Nicholas Higgins, Robert Patterson, George Brajcich & Keith Larson
Nays - Jeff Wilson**

A motion was made by Robert Patterson, seconded by Nicholas Higgins, to leave the mayor's salary as-is. The motion passed unanimously.

5. **PROVIDE STAFF DIRECTION & SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING**

The salary commission directed City Clerk Kaylee Cody to schedule a meeting for March 19, 2018, at 5:00 p.m. to hold a public hearing and consider a resolution to increase the mayor pro-tem & council members' salaries as previously proposed and voted upon.

In response to an email to the salary commission from Jone Fluruth urging the commission to evaluate salaries based on Gross Domestic Product (GDP), the salary commission directed City Clerk Kaylee Cody to research the GDP for Longview and each comparable city and provide the results by mail prior to the next meeting of the salary commission.

6. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.