

ORDINANCE NO. 2019

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SANTA CLARA,
CALIFORNIA, AMENDING SECTION 2.20.015
(COMPENSATION) OF CHAPTER 2.20 ("CITY CLERK") OF
"THE CODE OF THE CITY OF SANTA CLARA,
CALIFORNIA"**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SANTA CLARA AS FOLLOWS:

WHEREAS, the City Clerk position is an elected position under City Charter Section 600;

WHEREAS, City Charter Section 702 allows the Salary Setting Commission to set compensation for the elected positions of Mayor and City Council Member, but does not limit the Commissions ability to set salaries for other positions as determined by the City Council;

WHEREAS, by Ordinance No. 1983, the City Council required the Salary Setting Commission to set the compensation of the elected City Clerk;

WHEREAS, the Salary Setting Commission did set the City Clerk compensation by Resolution; and

WHEREAS, the City Council deems it to be in the best interest of the City of Santa Clara to amend the existing City Clerk compensation Ordinance to align with the decision of the Salary Setting Commission and thus provide greater transparency for the public and for potential candidates for the position of City Clerk.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SANTA CLARA AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1: That Section 2.20.015 (entitled "Compensation") of Chapter 2.20 (entitled "City Clerk"), of Title 2 (entitled "Administration and Personnel") of "The Code of the City of Santa Clara, California," ("SCCC") is amended to read as follows:

“2.20.015 City Clerk – Compensation.

Commencing on July 1, 2019, and until such time as the individual elected to the position of City Clerk at the November 2020 election for that position takes office (if such oath of office is taken before June 30, 2021), the salary for the position of the City Clerk shall be \$2,000 per month. For the period commencing when the individual elected to the position of City Clerk at the November 2020 election for that position takes office (if such oath of office is taken before June 30, 2021) and ending on June 30, 2021, the salary for the position of City Clerk shall be \$1,500 per month. Commencing on July 1, 2021, and every two years thereafter, the salary for the position of City Clerk shall be set by a Salary Setting Commission consisting of five members to be appointed by the Civil Service Commission, as set forth in City Charter Section 702. The City Council shall take all necessary legislative action to implement the salary set by the Salary Setting Commission.”

SECTION 2: Ordinances Repealed. With exception of the provisions protected by the savings clause, all ordinances (or parts of ordinances) in conflict with or inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3: Savings clause. The changes provided for in this ordinance shall not affect any offense or act committed or done or any penalty or forfeiture incurred or any right established or accruing before the effective date of this ordinance; nor shall it affect any prosecution, suit or proceeding pending or any judgment rendered prior to the effective date of this ordinance. All fee schedules shall remain in force until superseded by the fee schedules adopted by the City Council.

SECTION 4: This ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days after its final adoption; however, prior to its final adoption it shall be published in accordance with the requirements of Section 808 and 812 of "The Charter of the City of Santa Clara, California."

PASSED FOR THE PURPOSE OF PUBLICATION this 12TH day of MAY, 2020, by the following vote:


AYES: COUNCILORS: Chahal, Davis, Hardy, O'Neill, and Watanabe and Mayor Gillmor

NOES: COUNCILORS: None

ABSENT: COUNCILORS: None

ABSTAINED: COUNCILORS: None

ATTEST:

For 

NORA PIMENTEL, MMC
ASSISTANT CITY CLERK
CITY OF SANTA CLARA

Attachments incorporated by reference:

1. None