

**ORDINANCE NO. 22-**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MAMMOTH LAKES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AMENDING SECTION 2.04.050 OF THE TOWN OF MAMMOTH LAKES MUNICIPAL CODE RELATED TO TOWN COUNCIL COMPENSATION**

**WHEREAS**, the Town Council has previously established in Section 2.04.050 of the Municipal Code the amount of compensation to be paid to Town Councilmembers; and

**WHEREAS**, the amount of Town Council compensation has been set at \$735 per month, excluding health care benefits and reimbursement for actual and necessary expenses, since July 1, 2012; and

**WHEREAS**, Government Code Section 36516 allows the Town Council to adopt an ordinance increasing Town Council compensation in the amount of five percent for each year since the last increase in compensation, thus allowing an increase of forty percent to occur in 2022 in light of the last increase having occurred in 2014; and

**WHEREAS**, all legal prerequisites for the adoption of this ordinance have occurred.

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MAMMOTH LAKES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, DOES HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1.**     Recitals. The above recitals are all true and correct.

**Section 2.**     Approval. The Town Council hereby amend Section 2.04.050 of the Mammoth Lakes Municipal Code to read as follows:

**2.04.050 - Compensation and reimbursement.**

Pursuant to Section 36516 of the California Government Code, effective upon the beginning of the term of office for any member of the Town Council elected at the November 2022 election, or upon December 1, 2022, whichever occurs later, compensation shall be paid to each member of the Town Council in the amount of one thousand twenty-nine dollars per month. The compensation prescribed in this section is and shall be exclusive of any benefits provided to Town Councilmembers pursuant to Government Code Section 36516(d), and any amounts payable to each member of the Council as reimbursement for actual and necessary expenses incurred by him or her in the performance of official duties for the Town, and, accordingly, each member of the Council shall receive reimbursement for such actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of official duties for the Town, pursuant to the provisions of Section 36514.5 of the Government Code, as amended from time to time. Such reimbursement shall be as established by a policy resolution adopted by the Town Council.

**Section 3:** Severability. If any section, subsection, subdivision, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase in this ordinance, or any part thereof, is held invalid or unconstitutional, then such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining sections or portions of this ordinance or part thereof. The Town Council hereby declares that it would have passed each section, subsection, subdivision, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase of this ordinance irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subdivisions, paragraphs, sentences, clauses, or phrases may be declared invalid or unconstitutional.

**Section 4:** Effective date. The Mayor shall sign, and the Town Clerk shall certify passage and adoption of this ordinance and shall cause the same to be published and posted pursuant to the provisions of law in this regard, and this ordinance shall take effect upon the beginning of the term of office for any member of the Town Council elected at the November 2022 election, or upon December 7, 2022, whichever occurs later.

**ADOPTED AND APPROVED** on this 17<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2022.

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LYNDA SALCIDO, Mayor

ATTEST:

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JAMIE GRAY, Town Clerk