

ORDINANCE NO. 23 - 21

AN ORDINANCE SETTING THE SALARY OF MAYOR
PURSUANT TO CITY CHARTER § 13-20(a)

WHEREAS, in 2010, the voters approved comprehensive amendments to the City Charter implementing a Council-Mayor form of government; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with City Charter § 13-20(a), the annual salary of the Mayor was set at \$96,000 for the first Mayor elected under the Council-Mayor form of government in 2011; and

WHEREAS, City Charter § 13-20(a), provides that the salary of the Mayor shall be adjusted every four years to coincide with the start of the new Mayoral term, reflecting any change, up or down, over that four-year period in the most local consumer price index for all urban consumers published by the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics ("CPI-U"); and

WHEREAS, in accordance with City Charter § 13-20(a), the Mayor's salary was adjusted to \$103,370 in 2015 by Ordinance No. 15-21 and to \$114,159 in 2019 by Ordinance No. 19-31; and

WHEREAS, a new Mayoral term will begin in 2023, and the Charter requires an adjustment to the salary of the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, the most local CPI-U is Denver-Aurora-Lakewood, Colorado; and

WHEREAS, the adjustment to the salary of the Mayor, as prescribed by City Charter § 13-20(a), is derived through the following formula ("2022 annual CPI-U" - "2018 annual CPI-U") / "2018 annual CPI-U" x "current annual salary" = dollar amount of "increase in annual salary"; and

WHEREAS, the 2018 annual CPI-U for Denver-Aurora-Lakewood, Colorado is 261.958, and the 2022 annual CPI-U for Denver-Aurora-Lakewood, Colorado is 297.711.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY
OF COLORADO SPRINGS:

Section 1. The annual salary of the Mayor commencing June 6, 2023, the start of a new Mayoral term, shall be set at \$129,740.

Section 2. This ordinance supersedes all prior ordinances setting the salary of the Mayor that are inconsistent herewith.

Section 3. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect on June 6, 2023, after its final adoption and publication as provided by Charter.

Section 4. Council deems it appropriate that this ordinance be published by title and summary prepared by the City Clerk and that this ordinance shall be available for inspection and acquisition in the office of the City Clerk.

Introduced, read, passed on first reading and ordered published this 9th day of May 2023.

Finally passed: May 23, 2023



Council President

Mayor's Action:

- Approved on May 27 2023.
- Disapproved on _____, based on the following objections:

Mayor *John W. Suthers*

Council Action After Disapproval:

- Council did not act to override the Mayor's veto.
- Finally adopted on a vote of _____, on _____.
- Council action on _____ failed to override the Mayor's veto.

Council President

ATTEST:

Sarah B. Johnson

Sarah B. Johnson, City Clerk



CAO: ms
COS: _____

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing ordinance entitled **“AN ORDINANCE SETTING THE SALARY OF MAYOR PURSUANT TO CITY CHARTER § 13-20(a)”** was introduced and read at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Colorado Springs, held on May 9, 2023; that said ordinance was finally passed at a regular meeting of the City Council of said City, held on the 23rd day of May 2023, and that the same was published by title and in summary, in accordance with Section 3-80 of Article III of the Charter, a newspaper published and in general circulation in the Gazette, at least ten days before its passage.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the City, this 23rd day of May 2023.


Sarah B. Johnson, City Clerk



1st Publication Date: May 12, 2023

2nd Publication Date: May 31, 2023

Effective Date: June 5, 2023

Initial: SBS
City Clerk