

ORDINANCE NO. 2007 - 01

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA, INCREASING THE COUNCIL MEMBERS AND MAYOR'S COMPENSATION IN FURTHERANCE OF SECTION 2.07 OF THE TOWN'S CHARTER; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION IN THE TOWN'S CHARTER; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Section 2.07 (a) of the Town's Charter states that Council members shall be compensated at the rate of \$300 per month and that the Mayor shall be compensated at the rate of \$400 per month; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.07 (b) of the Town's Charter states that the Council may enact an Ordinance at any time establishing, increasing, or decreasing the amount of compensation, provided that said modification does not become effective prior to the first day of the first month following the first regular election of the Town subsequent to the adoption of such Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Town desires to increase the Council members and Mayor's monthly compensation and to allow the Council members and Mayor to participate in the Florida Retirement System;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA:

Section 1: Recitals Adopted. That the foregoing "WHEREAS" clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and are hereby made a specific part of this Ordinance.

Section 2: In furtherance of Section 2.07 of the Town's Charter, the Town hereby increases the Council members and Mayor's monthly compensation as follows:

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(a) The Council members shall be compensated at the rate of ~~\$300~~ \$1,000 per month. The Mayor shall be compensated at the rate of ~~\$400~~ \$1,250 per month. In addition to the aforementioned, the Council members and Mayor may participate in the Florida Retirement System, which additional expense shall be borne by the Town as additional compensation. The Mayor and Council shall receive reimbursements in

accordance with applicable law, or as may be otherwise provided by ordinance, for authorized travel and per diem expenses incurred in the performance of their official duties.

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Section 3: Inclusion. It is the intention of the Town Council that the provisions of this Ordinance shall become and be made a part of the Town of Southwest Ranches Charter and that the sections of this Ordinance may be renumbered or relettered and the word "ordinance" may be changed to "section," "article," or such other appropriate word or phrase in order to accomplish such intentions.

Section 4: Conflicts. All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances, Resolutions or parts of Resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section 5: Severability. If any word, phrase, clause, sentence or section of this Ordinance is, for any reason, held unconstitutional or invalid, the invalidity thereof shall not affect the validity of any remaining portions of this Ordinance.


Section 6: Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED ON FIRST READING this 5th day of October, 2006 on a motion made by Council Member Forest Blanton and seconded by Vice Mayor Don Maines.

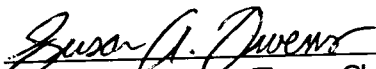
PASSED AND ADOPTED ON SECOND READING this 2nd day of November, 2006, on a motion made by Council Member Forest Blanton and seconded by Vice Mayor Don Maines.

Fink	<u> N </u>	Ayes	<u> 3 </u>
Maines	<u> Y </u>	Nays	<u> 2 </u>
Blanton	<u> Y </u>	Absent	<u> 0 </u>
Knight	<u> Y </u>	Abstaining	<u> 0 </u>
Nelson	<u> N </u>		

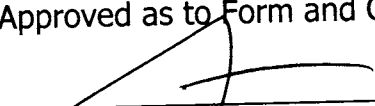
[Signatures on Following Page]


Mecca Fink, Mayor

Attest:


Susan A. Owens, Town Clerk

Approved as to Form and Correctness:


Gary A. Poliakoff, J.D., Town Attorney
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