

FACT SHEET**CITY OF SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA****TITLE**

An ordinance amending Section 2-31 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Shreveport to provide for an increase in the salary of the Mayor, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

DATE

April 13, 2021

ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT

City Council

COUNCIL DISTRICT

City-wide

SPONSORS

Council members John Nickelson and Jerry Bowman, Jr.

PURPOSE

To provide an increase in the salary of the Mayor effective December 31, 2022.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Section 5.05 of the Charter of the City of Shreveport provides the method by which changes in the salary of the Mayor may be made. The last time the City Council exercised its authority to set the salary of the Mayor was through the adoption of Ordinance No. 60 of 2002 to amend Section 2-28 (current Section 2-31) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Shreveport.

TIMETABLE

Introduction: April 13, 2021
Final Passage: April 27, 2021

ATTACHMENTS

None

SPECIAL PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS

The Charter of the City of Shreveport provides that this ordinance must be adopted at least six (6) months before the expiration of the current term of office of the Mayor and shall not be effective during the term of office during which it is adopted.

FINANCES

\$29,400.05 increase per year starting December 31, 2022

SOURCE OF FUNDS

NA

ALTERNATIVES

(1) Adopt the ordinance as submitted, or (2) Amend the ordinance, or (3) Reject the ordinance.

RECOMMENDATION

Council members John Nickelson and Jerry Bowman, Jr. recommend that the City Council adopt this ordinance.

FACT SHEET PREPARED BY: Danielle A. Farr Ewing,
Clerk of Council

ORDINANCE NO. _____ OF 2021

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 2-31 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT TO PROVIDE FOR AN INCREASE IN THE SALARY OF THE MAYOR, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

BY COUNCIL MEMBERS: JOHN NICKELSON AND JERRY BOWMAN JR.

WHEREAS, Section 5.05 of the Charter of the City of Shreveport (“City Charter”), provides that the Council may by ordinance change the salary of the Mayor subject to the following provisions:

- (a) The change shall be adopted at a regular meeting of the Council;
- (b) No change shall be effective during the term of office of the current Mayor at the time of the change; and
- (c) No change shall be made during the last six (6) months of a term of office of the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, the compensation of the Mayor of the City of Shreveport as provided for in Section 2-31 (former Section 2-28) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Shreveport was last amended by Ordinance No. 60 of 2002.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal, and regular session convened, that Section 2-31 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Shreveport be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows, to wit:

Sec. 2-31. Compensation of mayor.

- (a) The mayor shall receive an annual salary of \$125,000.00, payable in equal semi-monthly installments on his own warrant. Such salary shall otherwise remain in effect unless and until changed by the city council in accordance with [section 5.05](#) of the Charter.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this ordinance shall become effective on December 31, 2022.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that if any provision or item of this Ordinance or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or

applications of this Ordinance which can be given affect without the invalid provisions, items or applications and to this end the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all Ordinances or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

THUS DONE AND ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana.

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:

City Attorney's Office