## 2024 PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENT NO. 1

## **CITY COUNCILORS' SALARIES**

A PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDED CHARTER OF THE CITY OF TULSA, OKLAHOMA, ARTICLE II, "THE COUNCIL", SECTION 2, "SALARIES": DELETING THE PREVIOUS ANNUAL COUNCILORS" SALARY OF TWENTY-FOUR THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$24,000.00); REPLACING IT WITH AN ANNUAL SALARY OF THIRTY-TWO **THOUSAND DOLLARS** (\$32,000.00); **ALLOWING** PERIODIC ADJUSTMENTS TO COUNCILORS' SALARIES WHEN CERTIFIED BY THE CITY TREASURER CONSISTENT WITH THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX: PROVIDING THAT NO SUCH ADJUSTMENT SHALL ATTACH UNTIL THE FOLLOWING COUNCIL TERM OF OFFICE; FORBIDDING THE COUNCIL TO CHANGE ITS SALARY BY ITS OWN VOTE; AND ALLOWING COUNCILORS TO BE REIMBURSED FOR REASONABLE EXPENSES.

That the Amended Charter of the City of Tulsa, Oklahoma, Article II, "The Council", Section 2, "Salaries", be amended by deleting the previous annual salary (\$24,000.00) and replacing it with a new annual salary of Thirty-Two Thousand Dollars (\$32,000.00), allowing periodic adjustments as certified by the City Treasurer consistent with the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) issued by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics; withholding any salary adjustment until the next following Council term; forbidding the City Council to change its own salary without such certification by the City Treasurer; and allowing reimbursements to Councilors for appropriate expenses.

NOTE: As provided in Oklahoma Constitution Article 18, Section 3(a), any Charter amendment voted on must be submitted to the Governor of the State of Oklahoma for his/her approval, and shall not become the organic law of the City of Tulsa until such approval is forthcoming.

"Each member of the Council shall receive a salary of thirty-two thousand dollars (\$32,000.00) per year, commencing December 2, 2024, payable as employees of the city are paid. Thereafter any adjustment to City Council members' annual salaries shall be as certified by the City Treasurer to the City Council. Any adjustment, up or down, certified by the City Treasurer shall coincide with the start of a new City Council term. The salary certified by the City Treasurer shall be commensurate with the most local consumer price index for all urban consumers (CPI-U) published by the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, over the immediately preceding two-year period. The City Council shall have no

<sup>&</sup>quot;Amended Charter of the City of Tulsa"

<sup>&</sup>quot;Article II. The Council"

<sup>&</sup>quot;Section 2. - Salaries."

power to change its salary by its own vote. Councilors may be reimbursed for expenses incurred in the performance of their duties."

We, the undersigned, constituting a majority of the legislative body of the City of Tulsa, duly and regularly elected, qualified and acting as the Tulsa City Council, do hereby subscribe our names to the above and foregoing, approving the text of the proposed 2024 Charter Amendment No. 1 of the City of Tulsa, which by Resolution of this Council, may be submitted to the qualified electors of the City of Tulsa, Oklahoma, for their approval or rejection at the general election to be held Tuesday, August 27, 2024.

Tuesday, August 27,	024.
DONE, this	day of March, 2024.
	Vanessa Hall-Harper, Councilor, District No
	Jeannie Cue, Councilor, District No. 2
	Crista Patrick, Councilor, District No. 3
	Laura Bellis, Councilor, District No. 4
	Grant Miller, Councilor, District No. 5
	Christian Bengel, Councilor, District No. 6

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