

ORDINANCE NO. 001, 2023  
OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS  
APPROPRIATING FUNDS IN THE GENERAL FUND  
FOR 2023 INCREASES IN SALARY COMPENSATION FOR  
THE MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS AS APPROVED  
BY THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS VOTERS ON NOVEMBER 8, 2022, BY THE  
AMENDMENT OF SECTION 3 IN ARTICLE II OF THE CITY CHARTER

WHEREAS, on July 5, 2022, the City Council adopted Ordinance No. 082, 2022, in which it submitted to the City’s registered electors for their consideration at a special municipal election held on November 8, 2022, a ballot title proposing the amendment of Section 3 of Article II of the City Charter with the title “City-Initiated Proposed Charter Amendment No. 1 (Council Compensation)” (“Charter Amendment”); and

WHEREAS, the Charter Amendment, if approved by the electors, would increase the salary compensation of the Mayor and Councilmembers by a percentage of the area median income for a single household for the Fort Collins/Loveland Metropolitan Statistical Area, as determined and adjusted annually by the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, and it would also authorize the Mayor and Councilmembers to elect to participate in the City’s healthcare-related benefits provided to the City’s employees; and

WHEREAS, a majority of the City’s electors voting in the November 2022 election approved the Charter Amendment; and

WHEREAS, in anticipation that the Charter Amendment might be approved by the voters, there was included in the City’s 2023-2024 Budget unfunded Budget Offer 28.12 for the salary increases of the Mayor and Councilmembers, but since it was unfunded, it was not included in the City’s annual appropriation for fiscal year 2023; and

WHEREAS, the supplemental appropriation appropriates from the City’s General Fund the additional funds needed to pay the increases in the salaries of the Mayor and Councilmembers as approved in the Charter Amendment; and

WHEREAS, Article V, Section 9 of the City Charter permits the City Council, upon the recommendation of the City Manager, to make supplemental appropriations by ordinance at any time during the fiscal year such funds for expenditure as may be available from reserves accumulated in prior years, notwithstanding that such reserves were not previously appropriated; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager has recommended the appropriation described herein and determined that this appropriation is available and previously unappropriated from the General Fund and will not cause the total amount appropriated in the General Fund to exceed the current estimate of actual and anticipated revenues and all other funds to be received in this Fund during this fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, this appropriation benefits the public health, safety and welfare of the residents of Fort Collins and serves the public purpose of funding the salary compensation of the Mayor and Councilmembers as provided in the Charter Amendment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS as follows:

Section 1. That the City Council hereby makes and adopts the determinations and findings contained in the recitals set forth above.

Section 2. That there is hereby appropriated in fiscal year 2023 from prior year reserves in the General Fund the sum of THREE HUNDRED THIRTEEN THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY-TWO DOLLARS (\$313,172) to be expended for the implementation of the salary increases in 2023 for the Mayor and Councilmembers as authorized in the Charter Amendment.

Introduced, considered favorably on first reading, and ordered published this 17th day of January, 2023, and to be presented for final passage on the 7th day of February, 2023.

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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City Clerk

Passed and adopted on final reading on the 7th day of February, 2023.

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Mayor

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City Clerk