

ORDINANCE NO. 1513, SERIES 2025

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOODLAND PARK, COLORADO, SUBMITTING A BALLOT QUESTION TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY CONCERNING A STIPEND FOR THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

WHEREAS, Charter Section 3.6 provides that “the members of the Council shall receive such compensation, and the Mayor such additional compensation, as may be prescribed by referred ordinance”; and

WHEREAS, a modest stipend is commonly provided to municipal mayors and councilmembers across Colorado, in recognition of the substantial time contributed by such officials, both in and out of Council meetings, to public service; and

WHEREAS, the Charter Review Committee has reviewed the stipends provided by numerous Colorado municipalities of similar population to the City of Woodland Park; and

WHEREAS, the stipend proposed in this referred ordinance is in the middle of the range of such stipends; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that Woodland Park voters should be asked whether they approve of the stipends provided for in this Ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY OF WOODLAND PARK, COLORADO, ORDAINS:

Section 1: Pursuant to the Charter of the City of Woodland Park, and the Constitution of the State of Colorado, all action heretofore taken (not inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance) by the City and the officers thereof, directed towards the election and the objects and purposes herein stated is hereby ratified, approved and confirmed. This proposal shall hereby be submitted to the voters of the City, shall become effective if, and only if, it is approved by the majority of the voters at the regular municipal election to be held April 7th, 2026.

Section 2: That the following ballot language is hereby referred to the voters at said election:

PROPOSED BALLOT QUESTION REGARDING PROVISION OF A STIPEND TO THE MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS OF THE CITY.

SHALL THE CITY OF WOODLAND PARK CODE BE AMENDED TO PROVIDE FOR A STIPEND OF \$800. /MO. FOR THE MAYOR, \$700. /MO. FOR THE MAYOR PRO TEM, AND \$600. /MO. FOR MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL?	YES ____ NO ____
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Section 3: Should the above question be approved by the electorate of the City of Woodland Park at the regular City election held on April 7th, 2026, the Woodland Park City Code will be amended by the addition of a new Chapter 2.02, to read as follows:

Chapter 2.02- Mayor and Council Stipend.

Beginning with terms of office which commence following the April 2026 regular City election, the Mayor, Mayor pro-tem and members of Council will receive the following monthly stipend:

- a) Mayor: \$800. /mo.
- b) Mayor pro-tem: \$700. /mo.
- c) Council members: \$600. /mo.

Section 4. The City Clerk of the City of Woodland Park shall cause public notice of the election on such measure to be given in accordance with Section 31-2-210(4) of the Colorado Revised Statutes.

Section 5. All acts, orders, resolutions, ordinances, or parts thereof, in conflict herewith shall be repealed at the time the amendments provided for herein take effect. However, no such repeal shall be construed to destroy any property right, contract right, or right of action of any nature or kind, vested in or against the City by virtue of any such act, order, resolution, ordinance, or part thereof, theretofore existing or otherwise accruing to the City.

Section 6. If any portion of this ordinance is held to be unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, such decision shall not affect the constitutionality or validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance.

Section 7. The officers of the City are authorized to take all action necessary or appropriate to effectuate the provisions of this Ordinance.

Section 8. This Ordinance shall take effect pursuant to the home rule Charter of the City of Woodland Park, Colorado, upon approval by a majority of those City electors casting ballots at the April 7th, 2026 regular City election.

INTRODUCED, PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 20th day of November 2025, the vote upon roll call being as follows:

Ayes: 6

Nays: 0

Absent /Abstain:

PASSED BY CITY COUNCIL ON SECOND AND FINAL READING FOLLOWING PUBLIC HEARING THIS 4th DAY OF December, 2025.

Ayes:

Nays:

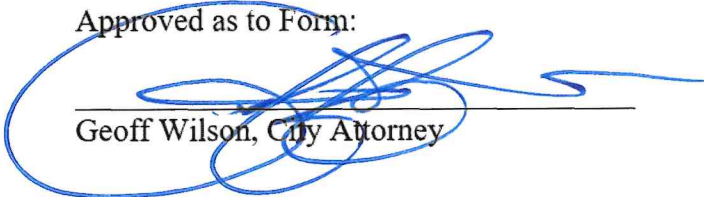
Absent /Abstain:


Honorable Mayor Kellie Case

ATTEST:


Suzanne Leclercq, City Clerk

Approved as to Form:


Geoff Wilson, City Attorney