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# **ORDINANCE 2018-1**

# AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR A CITY LAW DIRECTOR; ASSISTANT LAW DIRECTORS; SETTING A RATE OF COMPENSATION; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the City Charter provides that the City employ a City Law Director for a two year term; and

WHEREAS, the two year term commences February 1, 2018; and

WHEREAS, a City Law Director is necessary for the proper functioning of the City and its offices;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Wauseon, Fulton County, Ohio as follows:

## Section 1.

That Thomas A. McWatters III shall be employed as the City Law Director. The City Law Director shall be paid a salary of \$1,400.00 per month. PERS shall be paid on this salary amount.

#### Section 2.

That Jan H. Stamm shall be employed as Assistant City Law Director. The Assistant City Law Director shall be paid a salary of \$600.00 per month. PERS shall be paid on this salary amount.

# Section 3.

That Kevin Whitlock shall serve as uncompensated Assistant City Law Director. He shall not receive direct compensation from the City, but his hours shall be included in the Law Director's billing and compensation, and shall be paid according to the terms of this Ordinance.

#### Section 4.

That Stephen Maloney shall serve as uncompensated Assistant City Law Director. He shall not receive direct compensation from the City, but his hours shall be included in the Law Director's billing and compensation, and shall be paid according to the terms of this Ordinance.

# Section 5.

The Law Director and Assistant Law Directors shall receive additional compensation at a rate of \$135 per hour for all non-prosecutorial work performed in excess of 15 hours in any month. The Law Director and Assistant Law Directors shall receive \$115 per hour for all prosecutorial work performed on behalf of the City.

# Section 6.

That the firm of Barber, Kaper, Stamm, McWatters and Whitlock shall be paid the sum of \$500 per month as and for additional office expenses above and beyond the salaries set forth herein above.

#### Section 7.

That except as specifically stated herein, the Benefits Ordinance shall not be applicable to the position of City Law Director or Assistant Law Directors.

#### Section 8.

That the City Law Director is hereby authorized from time to time to appoint substitute City Law Directors to act on the City's behalf when the City Law Director is in a conflict of interest or is otherwise disqualified from serving as City Law Director.

## Section 9.

That all additional fees and expenses shall be paid and/or reimbursed from time to time as submitted by the City Law Director and approved by Council.

# Section 10.

That the City may from time to time employ other attorneys to represent the City in areas where unique or special qualifications are required.

## Section 11.

That it shall be the duty of the City Law Director to act as attorney and counsel for the City, to perform all services required by the Charter of the City of Wauseon, the Ordinances and Resolutions of the City of Wauseon and the laws and constitution of the State of Ohio and the United States of America, to attend Council Meetings when necessary and to render legal opinions to the Council and Mayor upon their request as set forth in the Charter of the City of Wauseon.

# Section 12.

That the employment terms set forth hereinabove shall be in effect from February 1, 2018, to January 31, 2020.

# Section 13.

That this Ordinance be, and hereby is, declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of health, safety and public welfare of the citizens of the City of Wauseon and more specifically to allow for immediate proper legal advice to be rendered to the Mayor and the City Council of Wauseon and shall be in full force and effect from and immediately after its passage.

Passed: January 15, 2018

Kathy Huner, Mayor

Jeff Stiriz, President of Council

Attest: [////[//// Andrea Gerke

Clerk of Council

Approved as to form:

Thomas A. McWatters III

City Law Director

I, Andrea R. Gerken, Clerk of Council for the City of Wauseon do hereby certify that this is a true and accurate copy of Ordinance 2018-1 passed January 15, 2018.

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Andrea R. Gerken, Clerk of Council