

ORDINANCE NO. 2021 - 093

**AN ORDINANCE SETTING THE RATE OF PAY FOR THE WARD COUNCIL MEMBERS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

**WHEREAS**, a Citizen panel was appointed in 2021 to review the rates of pay for the Ward Council Members for the City of Kent and to make recommendations for any changes they felt were needed; and

**WHEREAS**, the Citizen panel recommended increasing the rate of pay for the Ward Council Members; and

**WHEREAS**, the Citizen panel recommended an increase in the rate of pay for the Ward Council Members to \$10,500.00 per year beginning January 1, 2024 with a 1.75% increase beginning 2025 and each year thereafter through 2029.

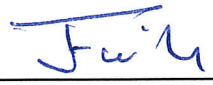
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the City of Kent, Portage County, Ohio, that:

**SECTION 1.** The rate of pay for the position of the Ward Council Members be increased to \$10,500.00 per year beginning January 1, 2024 with a 1.75% increase beginning 2025 and each year thereafter through 2029.

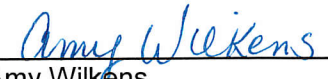
**SECTION 2.** That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council, and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements of Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

**SECTION 3.** That this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare of the residents of this City, for which reason and other reasons manifest to this Council, this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and shall take effect and be in force immediately after passage.


PASSED: September 15, 2021  
Date

  
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Jerry T. Fiala  
Mayor and President of Council

EFFECTIVE: September 15, 2021  
Date

ATTEST:   
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Amy Wilkens  
Clerk of Council

I, AMY WILKENS, CLERK OF COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF KENT, COUNTY OF PORTAGE, AND STATE OF OHIO, AND IN WHOSE CUSTODY THE ORIGINAL FILES AND RECORDS OF SAID COUNCIL ARE REQUIRED TO BE KEPT BY THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF OHIO, HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING IS A TRUE AND EXACT COPY OF ORDINANCE No. 2021-093, ADOPTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KENT ON September 15, 2021.

  
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AMY WILKENS  
Clerk of Council