

Item #: 28

Moved by: BRADFORD

Prepared by: Marcy Ingram

Seconded by: FORD

Reviewed by: Marcy Ingram

ORDINANCE NO. 535

ORDINANCE APPROVING AND SETTING THE SALARY OF THE MAYOR OF SHELBY COUNTY AND THE SHELBY COUNTY SHERIFF FOR THE 2022-2026 TERM OF OFFICE. SPONSORED BY COMMISSIONER EDMUND H. FORD, JR. AND COMMISSIONER EDDIE S. JONES, JR.

WHEREAS, Shelby County Charter, Article III, Section 3.04, states that "...the county mayor's salary shall be set based upon Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-24-102 [and the County Commissioners are authorized to change the] salary of the County Mayor...from time to time by Ordinance..."; and

WHEREAS, It is the desire of the Shelby County Board of Commissioners to set the annual salary of the Mayor of Shelby County for the 2022-2026 term of office which shall begin on September 1, 2022; and

WHEREAS, Article VIII, Section 8.11(B) of the Shelby County Charter requires that the compensation of the Shelby County Sheriff be equal to at least 80% but no more than 95% of the County Mayor's compensation; and

WHEREAS, Article VIII, Section 8.11(D) of the Shelby County Charter requires that "...the compensation of all county Charter officers shall be based upon Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-24-102 [and the County Commissioners are authorized to change same] from time to time by Ordinance...; and

WHEREAS, It is, therefore, also the desire of the Shelby County Board of Commissioners to set the salary of the Shelby County Sheriff for the 2022-2026 term of office which shall begin on September 1, 2022, so as to be in compliance with Section 8.11(B) of the Shelby County Charter; and

WHEREAS, The current annual salaries for the above-captioned elected officials are:

Mayor	\$173,003.00
Sheriff	\$164,765.00

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SHELBY COUNTY, TENNESSEE, That the salary of the Mayor of Shelby County, Tennessee for the term of office beginning September 1, 2022, be and is hereby approved and set at \$210,000.00 annually.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, That the salary of the Shelby County Sheriff for the term of office beginning September 1, 2022, be and is hereby approved and set at \$199,500.00 annually, so as to be in compliance with Section 8.11(B) of the Shelby County Charter.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, That if any clause, section, paragraph, sentence or part of this Ordinance shall be held or declared to be unconstitutional and void, it shall not affect the remaining parts of this Ordinance, it being hereby declared to be the legislative intent of the Shelby County Board of Commissioners to have passed the remainder of this Ordinance notwithstanding the part so held unconstitutional and void, if any.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, That this Ordinance shall be adopted upon receiving "a two-thirds vote of the membership of the board of county commissioners" in accordance with Article II, Section 2.06(C)(3)(e) of the Charter of Shelby County.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, That this Ordinance shall become effective 15 days after the date of its passage in accordance with the Shelby County Charter, Article II, Section 2.06(C)(4), the public welfare requiring same.



Lee Harris
County Mayor

Date: _____

ATTEST:

Resalyn Nichols

Clerk of Commission

FIRST READING: November 15, 2021

SECOND READING: December 6, 2021

THIRD READING
ADOPTED: December 20, 2021

Pursuant to Shelby County Charter, Article 1, Section 2.07(C), if the Mayor fails either to sign or veto an Ordinance or Resolution within ten days after the Ordinance or Resolution is submitted to him, it shall become effective without the signature upon the expiration of the ten-day period or at a later date if the Ordinance or Resolution so provides.

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Resalyn Nichols

CLERK OF COUNTY COMMISSION
DATE 1/21/2022



Shelby County Government

LEE HARRIS
MAYOR

December 30, 2021

The Honorable Willie F. Brooks, Jr.
Chairman, Shelby County Board of Commissioners
160 North Main Street, Suite 600
Memphis, Tennessee 38103

VIA INTEROFFICE MAIL

ORDINANCE APPROVING AND SETTING THE SALARY FOR THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR SHELBY COUNTY, TENNESSEE FOR THE 2022-2026 TERM OF OFFICE. SPONSORED BY COMMISSIONER TAMI SAWYER.

ORDINANCE APPROVING AND SETTING THE SALARY OF THE MAYOR OF SHELBY COUNTY AND THE SHELBY COUNTY SHERIFF FOR THE 2022-2026 TERM OF OFFICE. SPONSORED BY COMMISSIONER EDMUND H. FORD, JR. AND COMMISSIONER EDDIE S. JONES, JR.

Chairman Brooks:

As approved, the above resolutions increase the salaries of several elected officeholders, including the Shelby County Mayor, beginning with the 2022 Term in September. I believe that this is not the time to increase the salaries of elected officials. Many families in our county are still reeling from the economic effects of the COVID-19 pandemic. The issue of raises for elected officials is an unnecessary distraction that takes the focus away from the real needs in our community. Unfortunately, as a consequence, I will not be able to endorse either of these resolutions. Under the terms of the County Charter, these items go into effect without my signature.

All the best,

Lee Harris
Mayor

Enclosures (2)