CITY OF BELLFLOWER

ORDINANCE NO. 1436

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING § 2.16.010 OF THE BELLFLOWER MUNICIPAL CODE TO PROVIDE A SALARY ADJUSTMENT FOR MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL FOLLOWING THE NEXT GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION; AND SUPERSEDING ORDINANCE NO. 1414

THE CITY COUNCIL DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The City Council finds as follows:

- A. Government Code § 36516(a) establishes a salary for city councils initially based on city population, but adjustable thereafter by increases not to exceed an amount equal to 5% for each calendar year from the operative date of the last city council salary adjustment.
- B. The City Council last adjusted its salary to the sum of \$1,616.46 per month by Ordinance No. 1414, which was adopted in June 2022 and took effect after the general election in November 2022.
- C. The City Council desires to and adjust its salary to a new amount to be effective after the next election in November 2024 as permitted by law.

SECTION 2. Bellflower Municipal Code ("BMC") § 2.16.010 is amended to read as follows:

"Section 2.16.010 Council Members.

- A. Expense Reimbursement. A Council Member may be reimbursed for the Council Member's actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of official duty pursuant to a policy adopted by City Council resolution.
- B. Compensation. On such date as one or more members of the City Council begin a new term of office following the November 2024 General Election, each member of the City Council will receive as salary the sum of \$1,729.61 per month."

SECTION 3. Construction. This Ordinance must be broadly construed to achieve the purposes stated in the Ordinance. It is the City Council's intent that the provisions of this Ordinance are interpreted or implemented by the City and others in a manner that facilitates the purposes set forth in this Ordinance.

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SECTION 4. Enforceability. Repeal of any provision of the Bellflower Municipal Code does not affect any penalty, forfeiture, or liability incurred before, or preclude prosecution and imposition of penalties for any violation occurring before this Ordinance's effective date. Any such repealed part will remain in full force and effect for sustaining action or prosecuting violations occurring before the effective date of this Ordinance.

<u>SECTION 5</u>. Severability. If any part of this Ordinance or its application is deemed invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the City Council intends that such invalidity will not affect the effectiveness of the remaining provision or application and, to this end, the provisions of this Ordinance are severable.

SECTION 6. Validity of Previous Code Sections. If the entire Ordinance or its application is deemed invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, any repeal of the BMC or other regulation by this Ordinance will be rendered void and cause such BMC provision or other regulation to remain in full force and effect for all purposes.

SECTION 7. Electronic Signatures. This Ordinance may be executed with electronic signatures in accordance with Government Code §16.5. Such electronic signatures will be treated in all respects as having the same effect as an original signature.

SECTION 8. The City Clerk, or her duly appointed deputy, is directed to certify the passage and adoption of this Ordinance; cause it to be entered into the City of Bellflower's book of original ordinances; make a note of the passage and adoption in the records of this meeting; and, within 15 days after the passage and adoption of this Ordinance, cause it to be published or posted in accordance with California law.

SECTION 9. Effective Date. This Ordinance will become effective on the 31st day following its passage and adoption.

ORDINANCE NO. 1436 HAD ITS FIRST READING ON SEPTEMBER 9, 2024, ITS SECOND READING ON SEPTEMBER 23, 2024, AND WAS DULY PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELLFLOWER AT ITS REGULAR MEETING OFSEPTEMBER 23, 2024.

ATTEST:

Dan Koops, Mayor

Mayra Ochiqui, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Karl H. Berger, City Attorney

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES) SS
CITY OF BELLFLOWER)

I, **Mayra Ochiqui, City Clerk** of the City of Bellflower, California, do hereby certify under penalty of perjury that:

Ordinance No. 1436 had its first reading on September 9, 2024, by the following vote to wit:

AYES: Council Members – Santa Ines, Dunton, Morse, Sanchez, and Mayor Koops

Ordinance No. 1436 had its second reading on September 23, 2024, and was duly passed, approved, and adopted by the City Council of the City of Bellflower at its Regular Meeting of September 23, 2024, by the following vote to wit:

AYES: Council Members – Morse, Sanchez, Santa Ines, Dunton and Mayor Koops

Dated: September 24, 2024

Mayra Ochiqui, City Clerk City of Bellflower, California

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