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KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH

ORDINANCE No. 74-60

AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR AUTOMATIC ANNUAL COST OF LIVING INCREASES TO THE SALARY SCHEDULES FOR EMPLOYEES OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH.

WHEREAS, Ordinance 74-11 of the Kenai Peninsula Borough repealed and reenacted Section 19.05.135 of the Kenai Peninsula Borough Code of Ordinances to establish a salary schedule for employees of the Kenai Peninsula Borough to reflect increases in the cost of living during the preceding year; and

WHEREAS, the salary schedules so adopted was substantially based on cost of living as it existed in approximately December, 1973, and the cost of living has continuously risen since that month, and it is anticipated that this nation is in an inflationary spiral which will cause the cost of living to continue to rise; and

WHEREAS, in order to avoid the necessity for assembly action every year in recognizing the exact amount of such cost of living rise, and in order to save time in establishing such cost of living adjustments in order that the borough budgets may be prepared without delay, it is felt advisable to use the salary schedules established for fiscal year 1974-1975 for borough employees as a base related to the Consumer Price Index published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U. S. Department of Labor, for December of 1973 and to provide for automatic increases in said schedules, to be computed by the borough administration without further direction of the assembly, for each succeeding fiscal year to reflect the change of cost of living; Now Therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH:

Section 1: Sec. 19.05.135 of the Kenai Peninsula Borough Code of Ordinances is hereby amended by adding thereto subsections to read as follows:

(b) Established Salary Schedules As a Base. The salary schedules adopted under subsection (a) of this section shall remain in the permanent ordinances to be used as a base for preparation by the administration of current salary schedules to reflect cost of living increases for each fiscal year.

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- (c) Related Date for Base Salary Schedule. For adjustment purposes the salary schedule previously adopted and which is made the base for adjustment to reflect cost of living increases is hereby considered based on, and related to, the Consumer Price Index (CPI) (published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U. S. Department of Labor) for December of 1973, which was 138.5 based on the 1967 price index taken as 100. In the event of change of base period for reporting of the CPI, the base figure for December, 1973, will be adjusted so that published figures will accurately reflect changes in the CPI from that month.
- (d) Salary Schedule Adjustment. The Mayor of the Kenai Peninsula Borough is hereby directed, for each fiscal year succeeding fiscal year 1974-75, to make adjustments in pay in each range and step of the base salary schedule to reflect the proportionate change from the said Consumer Price Index for the month of December, 1973, to the month of December immediately preceding such fiscal year and to do so in time to incorporate the salaries as thus modified into the budget for said fiscal year.

Section 2: This ordinance shall become effective on the day after enactment.

DEFEATED XNORIKE BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 8 DAY OF October, 1974.

ATTEST:

Borough Clerk

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