

**CITY OF MONROE
ORDINANCE NO. 013/2015**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MONROE,
WASHINGTON; AMENDING CHAPTER 2.32 OF THE
MONROE MUNICIPAL CODE, PLANNING COMMISSION;
SECTION 2.32.010, CREATED – MEMBERSHIP -
COMPENSATION, PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND
ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 875, adopted March 9, 1988, provided for the compensation of the Planning Commission due to the necessary devotion of considerable time at, and preparing for, Commission meetings; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 1044, adopted August 10, 1994, revised the method of compensation of the Planning Commission due to an increase in the number of meetings required and amount of study time necessary in order to ensure the decisions of the Planning Commission are legally compliant; and

WHEREAS, there have been no amendments to Planning Commission Compensation for over twenty years, however, the time commitment and complexity of issues before the Planning Commission has continually grown; and

WHEREAS, it appears reasonable to increase Planning Commission compensation to provide for some cost of living adjustment since the last amendment, and to continue to recompense the Planning Commission for their time commitment and service to the City of Monroe.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MONROE, WASHINGTON, DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Amendment of MMC 2.32.010. Monroe Municipal Code Section 2.32.010, Created – Membership – Compensation, is hereby amended, as follows:

2.32.10 Created – Membership – Compensation.

A. Pursuant to the authority conferred by Chapter 35A.63 RCW, as amended, there is created a city planning commission consisting of seven members who shall be appointed by the mayor and confirmed by the city council. All members of the planning commission shall reside within the city limits of the city of Monroe, except the mayor may appoint and the city council confirm one commissioner from the city of Monroe's urban growth area to fill a vacant position.

B. The members shall be selected without respect to political affiliations. They may be reimbursed for expenses necessarily incurred in performing their official duties.

C. Salaries of Commissioners. Each city planning commissioner may be paid for attending commission meetings and workshops an amount not exceeding seventy-five[FIFTY] dollars per meeting for not more than one meeting each week.

Section 3. Severability. If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance should be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance.

Section 4. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective five (5) days following final passage.

ADOPTED by the City Council and APPROVED by the Mayor of the City of Monroe, at a regular meeting held this 15th day of September, 2015.

First Reading: Waived
Final Reading: September 15, 2015
Published: September 22, 2015
Effective: September 27, 2015

CITY OF MONROE, WASHINGTON:



Geoffrey Thomas, Mayor

(SEAL)

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Elizabeth M. Smoot, MMC, City Clerk



J. Zachary Lell, City Attorney