



City Council

Process and Schedule to Consider City Council Compensation (10 minutes)

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Title

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Recommended Action

Committee Recommendation:

Not referred to a committee.

City Manager Recommendation:

Provide direction to City staff about a process and schedule for review of City Council compensation.

Report

Issue:

Whether to direct City staff to bring forward a review and process for consideration of Council compensation.

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Presenter(s):

Steve Hall, City Manager

Background and Analysis:

Council members receive a stipend to account for some of the costs and time related to service on the City Council. The amount of this stipend has not changed since 2008. Council member Cooper as Chair of the Finance Committee has requested that this item be consider by the Council

The City Council has the authority to change the amount of the stipend for newly elected Council members or it can appoint a salary commission to review the stipend for all current and future members

In 2015, the City Council's General Government Committee looked at the issue, but made no recommendation at that time.

The issue before the Council is whether or not to review the amount of the stipend.
If so, should the analysis and discussion be brought to a Council, Committee, Study session or an Other Business item?

Neighborhood/Community Interests (if known):

N/A

Options:

1. Decide not to review the stipend.
2. Refer the item to a Council committee.
3. Refer the item to a future Study Session.
4. Refer the item to a future Other Business action item.

Financial Impact:

Unknown

Attachments:

List of current stipends for other cities