

RESOLUTION NO. 1164

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF GIG HARBOR,
WASHINGTON, EXPRESSING THE SENSE OF THE CITY
COUNCIL THAT COMPENSATION FOR CITY ELECTED
OFFICIALS SHOULD NOT BE INCREASED.**

WHEREAS, the City of Gig Harbor is a small city, self-governed by local citizens serving in the offices of Mayor and City Council; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Gig Harbor Municipal Code chapter 2.23.020, rates of compensation for the Mayor and members of the City Council are set by the independent Salary Commission; and

WHEREAS, city elected officials are first and foremost citizen servants, giving their time, energy, and efforts as an act of committed public service to their neighbors and community; and

WHEREAS, financial compensation is not and should not be a motivating factor for Gig Harbor citizens deciding to seek elected office; and

WHEREAS, the historic practice in the City of Gig Harbor has been to compensate elected officials at modest rates, reflecting the service-oriented nature of their roles, and this practice should not be driven by a market-based employment model; and

WHEREAS, the amount of time an elected official chooses to dedicate to the undertaking of his or her civic duties should not justify an increase in the compensation paid to city elected officials; and


WHEREAS, it is the desire of the City of Gig Harbor to encourage further volunteerism and service-mindedness in this community, and that starts with us; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GIG HARBOR, WASHINGTON, AS FOLLOWS:

It is the sense of the Gig Harbor City Council that compensation for city elected officials should not be increased.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GIG HARBOR
this 28th day of October, 2019.

APPROVED:



MAYOR KIT KUHN

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:



MOLLY TOWSLEE, CITY CLERK

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