

ORDINANCE NO. _____

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE MONTEREY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
STATE OF CALIFORNIA, INCREASING THE COMPENSATION OF MEMBERS OF
THE ASSESSMENT APPEALS BOARD**

County Counsel Summary

This ordinance amends Chapter 2.40 of the Monterey County Code to increase the compensation paid to the Assessment Appeals Board members from \$130.00 plus meal and mileage reimbursement per meeting to \$275 per meeting, with automatic adjustments every two years based on the Consumer Price Index. The \$139.00 rate of compensation was last updated in 1991, and the Board desires the rate to be increased to better track current economic conditions and to assist in recruiting Board members and alternates. Additionally, the ordinance would tie future Board compensation to automatic annual adjustments based upon the Consumer Price Index for all Urban Consumers.

The Board of Supervisors of the Monterey County Board of Supervisors ordain as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 2.40.070 is hereby amended to read as follows:

- A. Each member of the Assessment Appeals Board, including the alternate member(s), shall receive as compensation for his or her services the sum of two hundred seventy-five dollars (\$275.00), minus normal payroll deductions, plus meal reimbursement and a mileage allowance in an amount equal to the mileage allowance provided Monterey County elected officials, for each day the member or alternate is serving as a Board member at a Board meeting and when the member or alternate member is participating in an Assessment Appeals Board educational training or workshop.
- B. An alternate member or members shall be entitled to compensation, per diem, plus meal reimbursement and mileage pursuant to Subsection A above whenever the Assessor or Assessor's designee determines in advance that a matter pending before the Assessment Appeals Board is likely to be complex and protracted and that the alternate or alternates may be required to serve as a member of the Assessment Appeals Board after the hearing on the matter.
- C. Commencing on July 1, 2023, and continuing each July 1 annually thereafter, the Board's compensation shall be adjusted to keep its equivalent buying power stable. That adjustment shall be made based upon that year's current Consumer Price Index for all Urban Consumers as produced by the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics.

SECTION 2. SEVERABILITY. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance. The Board of Supervisors hereby declares that it would have passed this ordinance and each section, subsection, sentence, clause, and phrase thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses, or phrases be declared invalid.

SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall become effective on the thirty-first day following its adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this ___ day of _____, 2022, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Mary Adams, Chair
Monterey County Board of Supervisors

A T T E S T:

Valerie Ralph
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: _____
Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM BY:

Kelly L. Donlon
Deputy County Counsel