

ORDINANCE NO. 5374

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY OF MONTEREY, STATE OF CALIFORNIA,
AMENDING CHAPTER 2.40 OF THE MONTEREY COUNTY CODE TO INCREASE
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 plus meal and mileage reimbursement per meeting. The \$130.00 rate of compensation was last updated in 1991, and the Board of Supervisors desires to increase the rate to better track current economic conditions and to assist in recruiting Assessment Appeals Board members and alternates. Additionally, the ordinance automatically annually adjusts the Assessment Appeals Board members' compensation based upon the Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers in the San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose areas as published by the United States Government Bureau of Labor Statistics.

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Monterey hereby ordains 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, each member of the Assessment Appeals Board's compensation shall be automatically adjusted to keep its equivalent buying power stable. The automatic adjustment shall be based on the most recent change in the annual average of the Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers in the San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose areas as published by the United States Government 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.

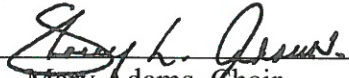
PASSED AND ADOPTED on this 10~~th~~ day of May, 2022, by the following vote:

AYES: Supervisors Alejo, Phillips, Lopez and Adams

NOES: Supervisor Askew

ABSENT: None

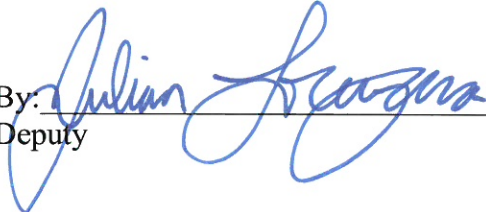
ABSTAIN: None



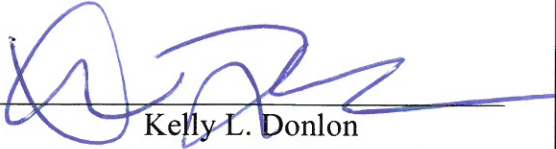
Mary Adams, Chair
Monterey County Board of Supervisors

A T T E S T:

Valerie Ralph
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: 

Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM BY:


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