

REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL



DATE: April 3, 2018

TITLE: An Ordinance Adding a Stipend for City Council Members for Attendance of City Council Assigned Committees

Submitted by: At the request of the City Council

Reviewed by: Jennifer Mizrahi, City Attorney

RECOMMENDATION

Introduce for First Reading and read by title only, "An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Desert Hot Springs: 1) Amending Section 2.04.020 of Chapter 2.04 of the Desert Hot Springs Municipal Code adding a stipend for City Councilmembers for attendance of City Council-Assigned Committees."

BACKGROUND:

Currently, the City's Councilmembers and Mayor currently do not receive a stipend from the "City" for attending City Council-assigned committee meetings of which attendance is required by the City Council. The committee meetings require some travel and other minor expenses, to accomplish the committee's purposes and objectives. Councilmembers perform additional services and work by serving on such committees, of which service and dedication should be recognized.

The Ordinance adds Section 2.04.020 (C) to the Municipal Code to specifically provide Councilmembers and Mayor who are members of City Council-assigned committee(s), to receive a stipend from the City of \$75 per committee meeting in which they are in attendance. This stipend shall only apply when an outside committee does not provide a stipend to the City Councilmember or Mayor. This stipend, when applicable, is in addition to the salaries specified.

The below enumerates which committees currently provide stipends, and in what amount.

Committee Name	Stipend (per meeting)
Coachella Valley Association of Governments	
• Executive Committee	\$100.00
• Energy and Environmental Resources Committee	\$75.00
• Homelessness Committee	\$75.00
• Public Safety Committee	\$75.00
• Transportation Committee	\$75.00
• Coachella Valley Conservation Commission	\$69.26
Coachella Valley Economic Partnership	None
Coachella Valley Mountains Conservancy	\$75.00
Eastern Riverside County Interoperable Communications Authority	None
Greater Palm Springs Convention and Visitors Bureau	\$50.00
Palm Springs International Airport Commission	None
Riverside County Animal Campus	None
Riverside County Airport Land Use Commission	\$150.00
Riverside County Transportation Commission	\$100.00 + mileage
Southern California Association of Governments	\$120.00
Sunline Transit Agency	Board Meeting \$50.00 Committee \$25.00

FISCAL IMPACT:

The approximate fiscal impact is \$900 per fiscal year assuming that the 4 non-paid committees indicated above meet once a month.

EXHIBIT: 1) Ordinance