

ORDINANCE NO. 2017-053

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY OF SARASOTA, FLORIDA RELATING TO THE STATUTORY COMPENSATION OF MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS; IMPLEMENTING COMMISSIONER STATUTORY COMPENSATION FOR FY18 AND FY19; PROVIDING FOR NON-CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SARASOTA COUNTY, FLORIDA:

SECTION 1. Salary of Commissioners.

(a) Compensation formula

- (1) Section 145.031, Florida Statutes provides that each fiscal year commissioner salaries shall be increased or decreased pursuant to Section 145.19(2), Florida Statutes.
- (2) Section 2.1B of the Sarasota County Charter provides that commissioners shall determine by ordinance the salary paid its members on each odd-numbered year, which salary shall remain fixed until the next odd-numbered year. Section 2.1B further provides that the salary shall not exceed that allowed to be paid to the county commissioners by the State Legislature, but may be any lesser amount.

(b) *Definition of Salary.* Pursuant to Section 145.021(2), Florida Statutes, “Salary” means the total annual compensation to be paid to an official as personal income.

- (1) In accordance with Section 145.131(3), Florida Statutes, the term “salary” shall not be deemed to include all or any portion of the payment of the costs of life, health, accident, hospitalization, or annuity insurance as authorized in Section 112.08, Florida Statutes, for County officials.
- (2) In accordance with Section 2.1.B. of the Sarasota County Charter, the term “salary” shall not be deemed to include payment for expenses incurred in the performance of the duties of County Commissioners as provided by general laws of the State of Florida.

(c) *Determination of Salary.*

- (1) The salary of each member of the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Sarasota is hereby established at the amount determined by the Florida Legislature pursuant to Chapter 145, Florida Statutes, including such automatic adjustments each fiscal year as may be made in accordance with the provisions of Section 145.19, Florida Statutes.

(d) *Effective period.* The salary established herein, subject to adjustments made in accordance with Section 145.19, Florida Statutes, shall be effective for the period from October 1, 2017 through September 30, 2019, inclusive.

SECTION 2. Codification. This Ordinance shall not be codified in the County Code.

SECTION 3. Severability. In the event any portion of this ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision, and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance.

SECTION 4. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect upon filing with the Florida Secretary of State.

PASSED AND DULY ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SARASOTA COUNTY, FLORIDA, this _____ day of _____, 2017.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
SARASOTA COUNTY, FLORIDA**

BY: _____
Chairman

ATTEST:
KAREN E. RUSHING, Clerk of the
Circuit Court and Ex-Officio Clerk
of the Board of County Commissioners
of Sarasota County, Florida

BY: _____
Deputy Clerk