

**ALTERNATIVE RECOMMENDATION OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE
MADE AT MARCH 8, 2021 MEETING”**

Approved as to Form and Legality

City Attorney’s Office

OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. _____ C.M.S.

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER KALB

RESOLUTION REDUCING THE MONTHLY AUTO ALLOWANCES OF THE MAYOR, VICE MAYOR, CITY COUNCILMEMBERS, CITY ATTORNEY AND CITY AUDITOR BY FIFTY PERCENT (50%) FROM THE DATE OF THE ADOPTION OF THIS RESOLUTION THROUGH JUNE 30, 2021 IN LIGHT OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

WHEREAS, City Charter section 207 provides that the Council “shall fix the compensation of all employees, officers and officials except as otherwise provided by the Charter;” and

WHEREAS, the Charter establishes the salary ranges for the Mayor, City Attorney and City Auditor and provides the formula for the Public Ethics Commission to set salaries for the Office of Councilmember; and

WHEREAS, the Auto Allowance rates for the Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Councilmembers, City Attorney and City Auditor are established by City Council Resolution, and are reflected in Administrative Instruction 4403; and

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic has resulted in an economic downturn and significant budget deficits for the City of Oakland over the past year, while simultaneously reducing the amount of driving City officials are required to do; and

WHEREAS, although the City Administrator’s employment contract, approved by the Council, provides him an Auto Allowance, he has voluntarily waived that allowance for the remainder of the current fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, although this Resolution officially applies to the Auto Allowances for the Mayor, City Auditor and City Attorney, it will not actually impact them since each of them has already voluntarily waived certain compensation, including but not limited to one hundred percent (100%) of their Auto Allowances for the period of January 1, 2021 through June 30, 2021 fiscal year; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council hereby reduces the monthly Auto Allowances of the Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Councilmembers, City Attorney and City Auditor by fifty percent (50%) for the period from the date of the adoption of this Resolution through June 30, 2021; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That although this Resolution officially applies to the Auto Allowances for the Mayor, City Auditor and City Attorney for the period as of the date of adoption of this Resolution to June, 30, 2021, each of them has already voluntarily waived one hundred percent (100%) of their Auto Allowances in writing for the period of January 1, 2021 through June 30, 2021 in this fiscal year.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES – FIFE, GALLO, KALB, KAPLAN, REID, TAYLOR, THAO AND
PRESIDENT FORTUNATO BAS

NOES –

ABSENT –

ABSTENTION –

ATTEST: _____
ASHA REED
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of the
City of Oakland, California