

**ORDINANCE NO. 824**

**AN ORDINANCE ADJUSTING COMPENSATION OF MEMBERS OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT AND AMENDING CHAPTER 6, FIRE PROTECTION, ARTICLE 1, FIRE DEPARTMENT, SECTION 6-116, PAYMENT, OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF WASHINGTON, KANSAS ACCORDINGLY.**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF WASHINGTON, KANSAS:

**Section 1:** That the Governing Body of the City of Washington, Kansas, is desirous of adjusting compensation for the members of the fire department.

**Section 2:** That effective as of the first payroll in January 2025, each member of the fire department shall receive six dollars (\$6.00) for attending regular and special meetings and shall receive six dollars (\$6.00) for each fire at which the member assists and remains until all equipment used at the fire has been readied and returned to the firehouse. In addition to the foregoing payment, the fire chief shall receive twelve dollars (\$12.00) per month. That in each of the four subsequent years (2026, 2027, 2028, and 2029) that the aforementioned amounts shall be increased by four percent (4%) annually.

**Section 3:** That Section 6-116, Payment, of Chapter 6, Fire Protection, Article I, Fire Department, of the Code of the City of Washington, Kansas, shall be amended to read as follows:

6-116 PAYMENT. Each member of the fire department shall receive compensation for attending regular and special meetings and for each fire at which the member assists and remains until all equipment used at the fire has been readied for and returned to the firehouse. In addition to the foregoing, the fire chief shall receive additional compensation per month. The amount of said compensation shall be set by the city council and reviewed periodically. Payment of the above compensation shall be made by the city at the same time as the first pay period for other city employees is made in the month of December in each year with each member being paid the entire amount he or she is entitled to for the preceding year at that time.

**Section 4:** This Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force from and after its publication in the official City newspaper.

Passed by the Governing Body of the City of Washington, Kansas, and approved by the Mayor, this 6<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2025.

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Garett Edgar, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Denise M. Powell, City Clerk