ORDINANCE NO. 741

AN ORDINANCE FIXING COMPENSATION FOR THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF ROSE HILL, KANSAS; AMENDING AND SUPERSEDING PRIOR ORDINANCES; AND PROVIDING FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF SUCH COMPENSATION.

WHEREAS, Section 1-209 of the City of Rose Hill Code provides that Members of the governing body shall receive as compensation such amounts as may be fixed by ordinance;

WHEREAS, the City has not considered an ordinance regarding compensation of the Governing Body since 1989;

WHEREAS, the current compensation of the Governing Body is paid on a quarterly basis with the Mayor paid \$500.00 per quarter and Council Members paid \$300.00 per quarter.

WHEREAS, members of the Governing Body are required to devote substantial time to evaluating policy issues, participating in training and professional development, reviewing meeting materials, communicating with residents and staff, and carrying out other responsibilities essential to the effective operation of the City; and

WHEREAS, reasonable compensation is necessary to recognize the time and expertise demanded of elected officials, support broad participation in public service, and ensure the City continues to attract qualified individuals to serve on the Governing Body; and

WHEREAS, the governing body finds it in the public interest to increase the Governing Body compensation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF ROSE HILL, KANSAS:

SECTION 1. GOVERNING BODY COMPENSATION.

(a) Mayor. Beginning with the second regular meeting in January following the general municipal election for the office of Mayor, the Mayor of the City shall receive compensation in the amount of \$125.00 per meeting), payable quarterly in the same manner as other city officials.

- (b) Council Members. Beginning with the second regular meeting in January 2026, each duly elected or appointed Council Member shall receive compensation in the amount of \$75.00 per meeting, payable quarterly in the same manner as other city officials.
- (c) Compensated Meetings. Compensation established herein includes all regular meetings, special meetings, including workshops, including attendance by electronic means. Additional compensation, if any, for other non-routine assignments must be approved by separate ordinance.
- (d) Compensation Restriction for Non-Attendance. Compensation provided to members of the Governing Body under this ordinance shall be contingent upon the member's regular attendance at duly called regular or special meetings of the Governing Body. Any member of the Governing Body who fails to attend two (2) consecutive regular meetings, whether or not advance notice is provided, shall forfeit compensation for the second missed meeting and for any subsequent meetings missed until the member resumes attendance.

SECTION 2. REPEAL OF PRIOR ORDINANCES. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed as of the effective date of this ordinance.

SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY.

If any section, subsection, clause, or provision of this ordinance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the remaining portions, which shall continue in full force and effect.

SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the official city newspaper as provided by law.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Governing Body of the City of Rose Hill, Kansas, this 1st day of December, 2025.

ROSE HILL, KANSAS

Jeanine Schantz, Council President

Pursuant to K.S.A. 15-311

Attest:

Kelly Mendoza, Oity Clerk

Approved as to form:

Richard A. Samaniego, City Attorney