

**Resolution No. 2024-01**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE MASON COUNTY CITIZENS' COMMISSION ON SALARIES FOR ELECTED OFFICIALS (SALARY COMMISSION)**

**ESTABLISHING MASON COUNTY ELECTED OFFICIALS SALARIES**

WHEREAS, consistent with the provisions of Board of Commissioners of Mason County Resolution No. 2024-002, the Mason County Citizens' Commission on Salaries for Elected Officials shall prepare a schedule of salaries for the Board of Commissioners and other elected officials, specifically the Assessor, Auditor, Clerk, Coroner, Treasurer and Sheriff; and

WHEREAS, the Salary Commission shall set salaries of the County Commissioners and other Elected Officials and file with the County Auditor no later than May 1, 2024, and no later than May 1<sup>st</sup> every two years thereafter; and

WHEREAS, the Salary Commission Chair shall sign each salary schedule filed, certifying that the schedules have been prepared and filed in accordance with this resolution, state law, and any rules, if any, of the Commission; and

WHEREAS, the salaries filed shall become effective and incorporated into the county budget without further action of the Board of County Commissioners or the Salary Commission and become effective January 1<sup>st</sup> of the following calendar year; and

WHEREAS, if the initial determination of salaries, after the Commission is formed, results in an increase in the salary to an elected official, that increase shall take effect immediately up on filing of the salary with the County Auditor with all subsequent increases in salary shall take effect on January 1<sup>st</sup> of the year following the filing with the County Auditor payable as follows: 30 days after filing with the County Auditor when no referendum petition is filed; upon a determination by the County Auditor that a referendum petition is insufficient or invalid; upon approval of a vote of the people; and

WHEREAS, salary increases established by the Commission shall be effective as to all County Commissioners and Elected Officials regardless of their term in office; and

WHEREAS, the action of fixing the salary of the County Commissioners and Elected Officials shall supersede any other provision of county ordinance/resolution related to budgets or fixing of salaries; and

WHEREAS, salary decreases established by the Commission shall become effective as to incumbent County Commissioners and Elected Officials at the commencement of their next subsequent terms in office; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mason County Citizens' Commission on Salaries files the following salary schedule for establishing Mason County Elected Officials:

Salary	January 1, 2025*	January 1, 2026
Assessor	\$104,501	\$104,501
Auditor	\$104,501	\$104,501
Clerk	\$104,501	\$104,501
Coroner	\$104,501	\$104,501
County Commissioners	\$104,501	\$104,501
Sherriff	\$164,232	\$164,232
Treasurer	\$104,501	\$104,501

\*If the initial Salary Commission salary determination is an increase from current and, therefore, would be effective May 1, 2024.

DATED this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April, 2024

ATTEST:

  
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Diane Zoren, Central Services Manager

MASON COUNTY SALARY COMMISSION  
APPROVED:

  
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James M. Morrell, Chair

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
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Tim Whitehead, Chief Deputy Prosecuting  
Attorney