

ORDINANCE NO. 4862

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ELLENSBURG, WASHINGTON, RELATING TO TITLE 1 “ORGANIZATION, ADMINISTRATION, AND PERSONNEL” AND AMENDING SECTION 1.30.640 OF THE ELLENSBURG CITY CODE.

WHEREAS, RCW 35A.42.030 requires all elective and appointed officers of code cities provide official bonds as required in compliance with chapters 42.08 and 48.28 RCW;

WHEREAS, it is also in the City’s best interests to have certain officers and employees of the City bonded to ensure the faithful performance of their offices; and

WHEREAS, the City is a member of the Washington Cities Insurance Authority (WCIA), a self-insured risk pool of Washington cities and special purpose districts; and

WHEREAS, the WCIA provides the City with Crime and Fidelity insurance coverage, which includes “Faithful Performance of Duty” coverage for City officials and employees; and

WHEREAS, the Crime and Fidelity Policy coverage has insurance limits in the amount of \$2.5 million dollars, and the Washington State Auditor’s Office has deemed this policy sufficient to satisfy the legal requirements in lieu of bonding of public officials and employees;

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Ellensburg, Washington do hereby ordain as follows:

**Section 1. Section 1.30.640 of the Ellensburg City Code, as last amended by Section 1 of Ordinance 4734, is hereby amended to read as follows:**

1.30.640        Officers – Oath and bond.

Before entering upon the duties of their respective offices, each of the following city officers shall take an oath of office and execute and file with the city clerk an official bond, conditioned for the faithful performance of duty, in penal sums as follows:

City manager	\$50,000
City finance director/treasurer	\$100,000
City clerk	\$1,000
City attorney	\$50,000
Chief of police	\$1,000

A policy of insurance covering honest and faithful performance of duties by such city officers and insuring against the same perils as a bond may be utilized in lieu of any such bonds. All such

bonds, or insurance policies in lieu of bonds, shall be approved by the city attorney as to form.  
[Ord. 4734 § 1, 2016; Ord. 4642 § 1, 2013; Ord. 3615 § 1, 1988; Ord. 3440 § 1, 1984; Ord. 2418 § 1, 1959.]

**Section 2. Severability.** If any portion of this ordinance is declared invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion(s) of this ordinance.

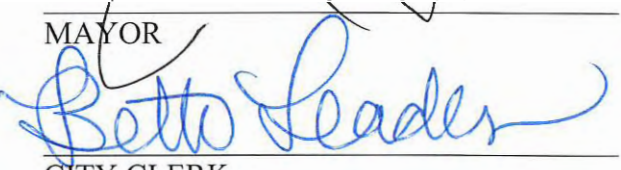
**Section 3. Corrections.** Upon the approval of the City Attorney, the City Clerk and the codifiers of this ordinance are authorized to make necessary corrections to this ordinance including, but not limited to, the correction of scrivener's/clerical errors, references, ordinance numbering, section/subsection numbers and any references thereto.

**Section 4. Effective Date.** This ordinance shall take effect and be in force five (5) days after its passage, approval and publication.

The foregoing ordinance was passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2020.

  
MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
CITY CLERK

Approved as to form:

  
CITY ATTORNEY

Publish: 11-19-2020

I, Beth Leader, City Clerk of said City, do hereby certify that Ordinance No. 4862 is a true and correct copy of said Ordinance of like number as the same was passed by said Council, and that Ordinance No. 4862 was published as required by law.

  
BETH LEADER