CITY OF VINELAND

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-<u>37</u>

ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2008-53, AS AMENDED, CHAPTER 84 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF VINELAND ENTITLED DEPARTMENT OF LAW.

WHEREAS, Section 84-3 of the Code of the City of Vineland authorizes the City Solicitor to appoint 3 Associate Solicitors, and such other Legal Assistants the City shall require; and

WHEREAS, at Section 84-7B of the Code of the City of Vineland, the Associate Solicitors are paid for services rendered at a reasonable hourly rate as set forth by the appointing authority; and

WHEREAS, the City Solicitor has recommended that in lieu of the reasonable hourly rate of compensation, Associate Solicitors may, at the request of the City Solicitor, be paid a salary as set forth by City Council in the compensation schedules hereafter to be adopted in the Schedule of Classified/Unclassified Positions and Applicable Salary Ranges in the Civil Service of the City of Vineland and shall therefore become employees of the City of Vineland. Such action has been determined to save the City of Vineland costs for the services of the said Associate Solicitors so chosen.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Vineland that Section 84-7 of the Code of the City of Vineland entitled Compensation shall be deleted in its entirety and replaced as follows:

Section 84-7

- **A.** The salary of the City Solicitor shall be set forth by the City Council in the compensation schedules theretofore adopted or hereafter to be adopted in the Schedule of Classified/Unclassified Positions, and Applicable Salary Ranges in the Civil Service of the City of Vineland.
- **B.** The Associate Solicitors may be full-time employees or independent contractors as recommended by the City Solicitor and thereafter appointed by the Mayor, with the advice and consent of the City Council, to serve as employees during the term of the Mayor. Such Associate Solicitors serving as full term employees of the City of Vineland shall be paid a salary set forth by City Council, and the compensation schedule theretofore adopted or hereto to adopt in the schedule in the Classified/Unclassified Positions and Applicable Salary Ranges in the Civil Service in the City of Vineland.
- **C.** Alternatively, Associate Solicitors shall be paid for services rendered at a reasonable hourly rate and set by the appointing authority, and shall be independent contractors.
- **D.** To the extent the City Solicitor and or full-time Associate Solicitors are required to make disbursements and pay expenses incurred for filing and recording fees and all documented out of pocket expenses, any reimbursements therefore be in accordance with the Policy and Procedure Manual of the City of Vineland. All Associate Solicitors shall be entitled to reimbursement for all disbursements paid and expenses incurred for filing and recording fees and all documented out of pocket costs as part of their contract as an independent contractor.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that should any portion of this Ordinance be deemed unenforceable shall be deleted to the extent of such portion and the balance shall remain in its force and effect.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that should any Ordinance or portion thereof be inconsistent herewith, such Ordinance or portion thereof shall be void to the extent of such inconsistencies.

This Ordinance shall take effect upon adoption and publication according to law.

Passed first reading:

Passed final reading:

President of Council

ATTEST:

City Clerk