

**CITY OF LA VISTA**  
**MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL REPORT**  
**SEPTEMBER 6, 2011 AGENDA**

<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Type:</b>	<b>Submitted By:</b>
AMENDING THE COMPENSATION ORDINANCE & SETTING RATES OF AUTO ALLOWANCE	◆ RESOLUTION ◆ ORDINANCE RECEIVE/FILE	RITA M. RAMIREZ ASSISTANT CITY ADMINISTRATOR

**SYNOPSIS**

A resolution has been prepared to authorize monthly auto and mobile phone allowances. An ordinance to amend the compensation ordinance has been prepared to reflect the following items established as part of the FY12 municipal budget:

- A 1.5 percent Pay for Performance base factor for all City employees not covered by a collective bargaining agreement.
- A 4 percent adjustment to the salaries of employees covered by the agreement between the City and the La Vista Fraternal Order of Police.
- Addition of the following new positions: None.
- Such auto allowances and mobile phone allowances as established in the budget.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

The FY 11/12 municipal budget includes funding for the proposed amendments.

**RECOMMENDATION**

Approval and waiver of readings.

**BACKGROUND**

Each year as part of the budget process recommendations are made regarding wage rates for employees. The Council Policy Statement adopted regarding Pay for Performance (PFP) calls for Council to annually determine an adjustment to the salary ranges (which does not increase employee pay) and establish a base factor, which is a salary increase percentage that employees subject to PFP would be eligible to receive based on their performance. As discussed previously, the FY12 budget was prepared with no adjustment to the salary ranges and a base factor for wage increases of 1.5%.

The Fraternal Order of Police is entering the third year of a three year contract that calls for a four percent increase in FY12.

A clarification regarding vacation accrual maximums for permanent part-time employees is also being proposed.

**RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA VISTA, NEBRASKA AUTHORIZING MONTHLY VEHICLE AND MOBILE PHONE ALLOWANCES FOR SPECIFIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY.

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council establish by ordinance the compensation for officers and employees of the City of La Vista and said ordinance establishes that the Mayor and Council may additionally fix by resolution such vehicle and other allowances as may from time to time be fixed in the municipal budget; and

WHEREAS, the FY12 municipal budget establishes funds for vehicle and mobile phone allowances for various officers and employees of the City and are recommended by the Finance Director and City Administrator.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and City Council of La Vista, Nebraska, do hereby authorize the following vehicle and mobile phone allowances:

Tier	Monthly Vehicle Allowance	Tier	Monthly Phone Allowance
Tier 1	\$30	Tier 1	\$24
Tier 2	\$60	Tier 2	\$48
Tier 3	\$90	Tier 3	\$72
Tier 4	\$120	Tier 4	\$96
Tier 4	\$150	Tier 5	\$120

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 6TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2011.

CITY OF LA VISTA

ATTEST:

Douglas Kindig, Mayor

Pamela A. Buethe, CMC  
City Clerk

AN ORDINANCE TO FIX THE COMPENSATION OF OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF LA VISTA; TO PROVIDE FOR THE REPEAL OF ALL PRIOR ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; ORDERING THE PUBLICATION OF THE ORDINANCE IN PAMPHLET FORM; AND TO PROVIDE THE EFFECTIVE DATE HEREOF.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA VISTA, SARPY COUNTY, NEBRASKA:

Section 1. City Council. The compensation of members of the City Council shall, in addition to such vehicle and other allowances as may from time to time be fixed by the Budget or other Resolution of the City Council, be, and the same hereby is, fixed at the sum of \$4,320.00 per year for each of the members of the City Council.

Section 2. Mayor. The compensation of the Mayor shall, in addition to such vehicle and other allowances as may from time to time be fixed by the Budget or other Resolution of the City Council, be, and the same hereby is, fixed at the sum of \$10,800.00 per year.

Section 3. City Administrator. The compensation of the City Administrator shall, in addition to such vehicle and other allowances as may from time to time be fixed by the Budget or other Resolution of the City Council, be established by contractual agreement.

Section 4. Management Exempt Employees. The management exempt employees hereafter named shall, in addition to such vehicle and other allowances as may from time to time be fixed by Resolution of the City Council, receive annualized salaries fixed in accordance with the schedules of Table 200, set forth in Section 22 of this Ordinance, for the following respective wage ranges, and in accordance with such rules as the City Council may by resolution establish:

Position	Range
Asst. City Administrator	215
City Clerk	205
City Engineer/Asst. Public Works Director	210
Community Development Director	210
Finance Director	210
Fire Chief	210
Library Director	205
Police Chief	215
Public Buildings and Grounds Director	200
Public Works Director	215
Recreation Director	205

Section 5. Salaried Exempt Employees. The monthly salary compensation rates of the salaried exempt employees of the City of La Vista shall be, and the same hereby are, fixed in accordance with the schedules of Table 100, set forth in Section 22 of this Ordinance, for the following respective wage ranges, and in accordance with such rules as the City Council may by resolution establish:

Position	Range
Asst. Golf Superintendent	140
Asst. Recreation Director	175
Chief Building Official	175
Community Relations Coordinator	150
Deputy City Clerk/Office Manager	165
Golf Course Services Manager	165
Golf Course Superintendent	175
Human Resources Generalist	165
Librarian II – Inter-Library Loan/Public Services	160
Librarian III	175
Park Superintendent	180
Planner	175
Police Captain	190
Program Coordinator	160
Street Superintendent	180

**Section 6. Hourly Non-Exempt Employees.** The hourly compensation rates of the hourly (non-exempt) employees of the City of La Vista shall be, and the same hereby are, fixed in accordance with the schedules of Table 100 and Table 400, set forth in Section 22 of this Ordinance, for the following respective wage ranges, and in accordance with such rules as the City Council may by Resolution establish:

Position	Range
Accountant	145
Accounting Clerk	130
Administrative Assistant	130
Mechanic	140
Building Inspector I	140
Building Inspector II	160
Code Enforcement Officer	130
Executive Assistant	140
Fire Training Officer	165
Foreman – B&G	160
Librarian II – Computer/Reference Services	160
Librarian I	140
Maintenance Worker I	130
Maintenance Worker II	140
Park Foreman	165
Police Sergeant	426
Police Officer	423
Police Data Entry Clerk	120
Public Buildings & Grounds MWI	125
Public Buildings & Grounds MWII	130
Secretary II	125
Secretary/Receptionist	120
Sewer Foreman	165
Street Foreman	165
Shop Foreman	165

**Section 7. Part-Time and Temporary Employees.** The hourly compensation rates of part-time, seasonal and temporary employees of the City of La Vista shall be, and the same hereby are, fixed in accordance with the schedules of Table 100, set forth in Section 22 of this Ordinance, for the following respective wage ranges, and in accordance with such rules as the City Council may by Resolution establish:

Position	Range
Assistant Pool Manager	100
Circulation Clerk I	100
Clerical (PW)	100
Custodian	100
Evidence Technician	130
HR Clerical Assistant	115
Intern/Special Projects (CD)	115
Lifeguard	100
Pool Manager	110
Recreation Supervisor	100
Seasonal GC Clubhouse & Grounds	100
Seasonal PW All Divisions 1-5 Years	100
Seasonal PW All Divisions 5+ Years	110
Shop Assistant	100
Special Services Bus Driver	110
Temporary/PT Professional (PW)	160

Part-time employees shall receive no benefits other than salary or such benefits as established in accordance with such rules as have been or may be established by Resolution of the City Council:

**Section 8. Pay for Performance.** Employees not covered by a collective bargaining agreement or express employment contract shall be subject to the City's Pay for Performance (PFP) compensation system as outlined in Council Policy Statement. PFP salary ranges are set forth in Table 100 and 200 of Section 22 of this Ordinance. The base factor for fiscal year 2012<sup>1</sup> shall be set at onetwo and one-half percent (12.5%).

Section 9. Certification Incentive Pay for Chief Building Official and Building Inspectors.

Employees of the City in the positions of Chief Building Official and Building Inspector are eligible to receive a one-time only incentive payment of \$1,000 for each certification obtained in an applicable construction field/trade. Such payment must be approved by the City Administrator.

Section 10. Legal Counsel. Compensation of the legal counsel other than special City Prosecutor for the City shall be, and the per diem rates respecting same shall be, at 90% of the standard hourly rate the firm may from time to time charge. Compensation for Special City prosecution shall be as agreed upon at the time of specific employment.

Section 11. Engineers. Compensation of Engineers for the City shall be, and the same hereby is, fixed in accordance with such schedules of hourly and per diem or percentage rates as shall from time to time be approved by Resolution of the City Council. Travel allowances respecting same shall be as may from time to time be fixed by Resolution of such City Council.

Section 12. Longevity Pay for Salaried Full-Time Employees and Hourly Paid Full-Time Employees, Including Police Employees. Employees of the City in the positions set forth in Section 3 and Table 400 of this Ordinance shall receive longevity pay in an amount equal to the following percentage of the hourly rate set forth in Section 3 and Table 400 of this Ordinance, rounded to the nearest whole cent:

<u>Length of Service</u>	<u>Allowance Per Hour</u>
Over 7 Years	2.00% (or .02)
Over 10 Years	2.75% (or .0275)
Over 15 Years	4.00% (or .04)
Over 20 Years	4.50% (or .0450)

Section 13. Health, Dental Life and Long Term Disability Insurance. Subject to the terms, conditions and eligibility requirements of the applicable insurance plan documents and policies, regular full-time employees of the City of La Vista and their families shall be entitled to be enrolled in the group life, health, and dental insurance program maintained by the City. Regular full-time employees shall also be entitled to be enrolled in the long term disability insurance program maintained by the City.

Unless otherwise provided by collective bargaining agreement, or other applicable agreement, the City's employer share shall be ninety (90) percent of the amount of the actual premium and the employee shall pay the ten percent (10%) balance of the actual premium via payroll deduction for employees enrolled in single coverage. The City's employer share shall be eighty percent (80%) of the amount of the actual premium and the employee shall pay the twenty percent (20%) balance of the actual premium via payroll deduction for any employee enrolled in a level of coverage other than single. Those employees electing not to participate in these programs will receive no other form of compensation in lieu of this benefit.

Section 14. Establishment of Shifts. The City may establish duty shifts of such length, and to have such beginning and ending times, and to have such meal and break times, as it may deem appropriate or necessary, respecting employees of the City.

Section 15. Special Provisions.

- A. Employees covered by the "Agreement Between the La Vista Fraternal Order of Police Lodge No. 28 and the City of La Vista, Nebraska, covering the period from October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2012," shall receive compensation and benefits and enjoy working conditions, as described, provided and limited by such Agreement. The terms of such Agreement shall supersede any provisions of this Ordinance inconsistent therewith, and be deemed incorporated herein by this reference.
- B. Holiday Pay shall be compensated as set forth in the Agreement between the La Vista Fraternal Order of Police Lodge No. 28 and the City of La Vista for police officers and as set forth in the Personnel Manual for all other full time employees.
- C. Subject to subsection 15.D. hereof, each full time hourly non-exempt employee of the City shall be entitled to receive overtime pay at the rate of one and one half times the employee's regular rate for each hour worked in excess of forty hours during a work week. If called out at any time other than during regular assigned work hours during the pay period, such employee shall be entitled to compensation at the rate of one and one half times the regular rate for each hour so worked, provided that in no case shall an employee receive less than two hours overtime pay for such call out work, and further provided there shall be no pyramiding of hours for purposes of computing overtime. For purposes of this

subsection an employee's "regular rate" shall be the sum of his or her hourly rate specified in Section 6 of this Ordinance and any longevity pay due under this Ordinance.

- D. Police Department employees covered by the "Agreement Between the La Vista Fraternal Order of Police Lodge No. 28 and the City of La Vista, Nebraska," described in subsection 15.A hereof shall, as provided in such Agreement, be paid overtime at one and one half times the employee's hourly rate (including any longevity allowance) for each hour worked in excess of 80 hours during any 14 day work period coinciding with the pay period established by Section 17 of this Ordinance.
- E. All Management Exempt Employees and all Salaried Exempt Employees are considered to be salaried employees and shall not be eligible for overtime pay, holiday pay, or other special pay as provided by this section.
- F. Public Works Employees who are required to wear protective footwear may submit to the City for reimbursement for the cost of work boots in an amount not to exceed \$120.
- G. Public Works Employees may submit to the City for reimbursement for the difference in cost between a Nebraska Driver's License and a "CDL" driver's license within 30 days of obtaining a CDL license when a CDL license is required as a part of the covered employee's job description.
- H. Public Works Employees shall be provided by the City five safety work shirts in each fiscal year at no cost to the employee.
- I. Public Works employees shall be paid overtime at the rate of one and one-half times the employee's hourly rate for all hours worked on the Saturday and Sunday of the annual La Vista Days celebration, except, that if an employee uses any sick leave, vacation leave, personal leave, or comp time during the corresponding pay periods, such leave time shall offset any overtime earned on said Saturday and Sunday.

Section 16. Pay for Unused Sick Leave Upon Retirement or Death. Employees who voluntarily retire after twenty or more years of service with the City and have no pending disciplinary action at the time of their retirement, shall be paid for any unused sick leave. Employees who began their employment with the City after January 1, 2005, or who began their employment prior to this date but elected to waive their eligibility for emergency sick leave, shall be paid for any unused sick leave, if they voluntarily leave City employment and have no pending disciplinary action, according to the following sliding schedule: After 10 years of employment – 100% of sick leave hours accrued over 660 and up to 880; after 15 years of employment – 100% of sick leave hours accrued over 440 hours and up to 880; after 20 years of employment – 100% of sick leave hours accrued up to 880. No other employee shall be paid for any unused sick leave upon termination of employment.

A regular full-time employee's unused sick leave shall also be paid if, after October 1, 1999, the employee sustains an injury which is compensable by the City or the City's insurer under the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act and such injury causes the death of the employee within two years after the date of injury. Any payment made pursuant to the preceding sentence shall be made to the surviving spouse of the employee; provided, such payment shall be made to the employee's estate if the employee leaves no surviving spouse or if, prior to his or her death, the employee filed with the City Clerk a written designation of his or her estate as beneficiary of such payment.

Section 17. Pay Periods. All employees of the City of La Vista shall be paid on a bi-weekly basis. The pay period will commence at 12:01 a.m. Sunday and will conclude at 11:59 p.m. on the second succeeding Saturday. On the Friday following the conclusion of the pay period, all employees shall be paid for all compensated time that they have been accredited with during the pay period just concluded.

Section 18. Public Works Lunch and Clean-up Times. Lunch period for employees of the Public Works Department shall be one half hour (30 minutes) in duration. Public Works employees shall be granted a 5 minute clean-up period prior to start of lunch period, and shall be granted an additional 5 minutes clean-up period prior to the end of the work day.

Section 19. Sick Leave and Personal Leave. Sick leave and personal leave will be awarded and administered in conjunction with the provisions set forth in the personnel manual and the Agreement between the La Vista Fraternal Order of Police Lodge No. 28 and the City of La Vista, as applicable to the employee in question.

Section 20. Vacation Leave. Upon satisfactory completion of six months continuous service, regular full-time employees and permanent part-time employees shall be entitled to vacation leave. Such vacation shall not be used in installments of less than one hour. Increments of vacation leave of less than four hours must have 48 hours prior approval and can be taken only at the beginning or at the end of the work day.

Section 21. Vacation Entitlement.

- A. All full-time employees whose employment is governed by the Agreement described in Section 15, Paragraph A. of this Ordinance shall earn, accrue and be eligible for vacation as provided in such Agreement.
- B. All other full-time Hourly Non-Exempt Employees shall earn: six (6) days of paid vacation during the first year of continuous full-time employment; eleven (11) days of paid vacation during the second year of continuous full-time employment; and thereafter, eleven (11) days of paid vacation during each subsequent year of continuous full-time employment, plus one (1) additional day of paid vacation for each year of continuous full-time employment in excess of two years. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no employee shall earn more than twenty-three (23) days of paid vacation per employment year.
- C. All Management Exempt Employees, and Salaried Exempt Employees, shall earn ten (10) days paid vacation during the first year of continuous employment, and one (1) additional vacation day for each additional year of continuous employment not to exceed twenty-six (26) days.
- D. All Permanent Part Time Employees working a minimum of twenty (20) hours per week shall earn forty (40) hours of paid vacation time per year after six (6) months of employment and successful completion of the initial or extended initial probationary period. Total paid vacation time earned per year shall not exceed forty (40) hours.
- E. Full Time Exempt and Non-Exempt, and Permanent Part Time Employees shall be allowed to accrue unused vacation leave from previous years to a maximum of 220 hours.
- F. Permanent Part Time Employees shall be allowed to accrue unused vacation leave from previous years to a maximum of 110 hours.

Section 22. Wage Tables.

**Table 100**  
**Salaried Exempt Employees**  
**Hourly Non-Exempt Employees**

Range			Range				
	Minimum	Maximum		Minimum	Maximum		
100	Hourly	9.17	11.92	145	Hourly	16.71	21.71
	Monthly	1,589	2,066		Monthly	2,896	3,763
	Annual	19,074	24,794		Annual	34,757	45,157
110	Hourly	11.26	14.63	150	Hourly	17.56	22.80
	Monthly	1,952	2,536		Monthly	3,044	3,952
	Annual	23,421	30,430		Annual	36,525	47,424
115	Hourly	12.12	15.74	160	Hourly	19.26	25.01
	Monthly	2,101	2,728		Monthly	3,338	4,335
	Annual	25,210	32,739		Annual	40,061	52,021
120	Hourly	13.03	16.92	165	Hourly	20.51	26.65
	Monthly	2,259	2,933		Monthly	3,555	4,619
	Annual	27,102	35,194		Annual	42,661	55,432
125	Hourly	14.02	18.21	175	Hourly	24.18	31.40
	Monthly	2,430	3,156		Monthly	4,191	5,443
	Annual	29,162	37,877		Annual	50,294	65,312
130	Hourly	14.51	18.83	180	Hourly	26.79	34.80
	Monthly	2,515	3,264		Monthly	4,644	6,032
	Annual	30,181	39,166		Annual	55,723	72,384
140	Hourly	15.87	20.61	190	Hourly	33.11	43.01
	Monthly	2,751	3,572		Monthly	5,739	7,455
	Annual	33,010	42,869		Annual	68,869	89,461

**Table 200**  
**Management Exempt Employees**

Range			Range		
	Minimum	Maximum		Minimum	Maximum
200	Hourly	33.87	43.22		
	Monthly	5,871	7,491		
	Annual	70,450	89,898		
205	Hourly	35.18	44.9		
	Monthly	6,098	7,783		
	Annual	73,174	93,392		
210	Hourly	37.44	47.67		
	Monthly	6,490	8,263		
	Annual	77,875	99,154		
215	Hourly	40.73	51.99		
	Monthly	7,060	9,012		
	Annual	84,718	108,139		

Table 400						
Classification: FOP Collective Bargaining						
Hourly Non-Exempt						
Range	A	B	C	D	E	F
426 Hrly				32.03 5,552 66,622	33.35 5,781 69,368	35.47 6,148 73,778
423 Hrly	21.01 3,642 43,701	22.41 3,884 46,613	24.63 4,269 51,230	26.07 4,519 54,226	28.45 4,931 59,176	29.93 5,188 62,254

Section 23. Repeal of Ordinance No. 112908. Ordinance No. 112908 originally passed and approved on the 7th~~3rd~~ day of September 2010~~November 2009~~ is hereby repealed.

Section 24. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect after its passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

Section 25. This Ordinance shall be published in pamphlet form and take effect as provided by law.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 67TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2010.

CITY OF LA VISTA

Douglas Kindig, Mayor

ATTEST:

Pamela A. Buethe, CMC  
City Clerk