

Council of the City of York, PA
Session 2008
Bill No.
Ordinance No.

INTRODUCED BY: **Cameron Texter**

DATE: **February 5, 2008**

An Ordinance

Amending Article 121.03 "Department Heads" of the Codified Ordinances regarding compensation of department heads.

WHEREAS: The City of York Operates under the Act of July 15, 1957, P.L. 901, No. 399, known as the Optional Third Class City Charter Law, and

WHEREAS: Section 415(c) of the Optional third Class City Charter Law that department directors shall be appointed by the Mayor with advice and consent of Council, and

WHEREAS: Section 607(c) of the Optional Third Class City Charter Law authorizes the City Council to fix the compensation of department heads;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Council of the City of York, Pennsylvania, and it is hereby ordained by the authority of the same as follows:

Section One: Article 121.03 Department Heads of the Codified Ordinances of the City of York is hereby amended as follows:

121.03 DEPARTMENT HEADS.

(a) Each of the Departments of ~~the Mayor's Administration, Community Development, Economic Development and Public Works~~ shall be headed by a Director. The Police Department shall be headed by a Police Commissioner or Chief of Police, at the discretion of the Mayor. The Fire Department shall be headed by a Fire Chief.

(b) Each department head shall be appointed as provided in Section 123.04(d). A department head need not reside within the City at the time of his appointment by the Mayor, but shall within 120 days following ~~his~~ **an** appointment, become a resident of the City and during ~~his~~ **the** tenure of office shall reside within the City unless Council, by resolution, states otherwise. Each department head shall serve, subject to removal at the pleasure of the Mayor, during the term of office of the Mayor appointing ~~him~~ **the department head** and until ~~his~~ **a** successor is appointed and qualifies. Except for those employees under the Civil Service of the City, a department head may appoint, and with the approval of the Mayor, suspend or remove subordinate officers and employees within ~~his~~ **a** department. In the case of a vacancy in the office of a department head, the Mayor may head one or more departments [~~temporarily,~~] and have all of the powers and perform all of the duties of such department head or heads, until such vacancy is filled, **but at no time shall the mayor serve as a temporary department head for longer than 120 days, unless approved by a majority of Council.**

(c) Compensation of department heads: Upon this subsection taking effect, department heads shall receive the same percentage of a cost of living increase approved by the Council for full-time non-affiliated City employees in the annual city budget. Any additional salary increase or bonus or other change in salary proposed by the Mayor for department heads shall only take effect by approval of Council.

Section Two: This ordinance shall take effect in 20 days.

PASSED FINALLY: BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

Approved: _____
YEAS: _____, _____, _____, _____, _____
NAYS: _____, _____, _____, _____, _____

Attest:

Presented to the Mayor this _____ day of _____ 2008. Date _____ Vetoed: _____ Date _____
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