

CHAPTER 355.

[ H. B. 443. ]

CITIES OF SECOND CLASS—CLERK AND ATTORNEY  
DUTIES—OFFICERS' SALARIES.

AN ACT relating to second class cities; and amending sections 12, 20, 22 and 26, chapter 241, Laws of 1907 and sections 1 through 5, chapter 105, Laws of 1939 and section 1, chapter 85, Laws of 1951 and RCW 35.23.090, 35.23.140 and 35.23.220.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:*

Amendment.

SECTION 1. Sections 12, 20, 22 and 26, chapter 241, Laws of 1907 and sections 1 through 5, chapter 105, Laws of 1939 and section 1, chapter 85, Laws of 1951, (heretofore divided, combined, and codified as RCW 35.23.090, 35.23.140 and 35.23.220) are amended to read as set forth in sections 2 through 4 of this act.

Enacted  
without  
amendment.  
Duties of  
city clerk.

SEC. 2. (RCW 35.23.090) The city clerk shall:

(1) Keep the corporate seal and all papers and documents belonging to the city and file them in his office under appropriate heads;

(2) Attend the sittings of the city council, and keep a journal of its proceedings and records of its resolutions and ordinances;

(3) Sign all warrants and licenses issued pursuant to the orders and ordinances of the city council and affix the corporate seal to the licenses;

(4) Sign all deeds, leases, contracts, bonds and other documents when authorized by the council;

(5) Keep an accurate account in a suitable book under the appropriate heads of all expenditures, of all orders drawn upon the city treasurer and of all warrants issued in pursuance thereof;

(6) Keep an account in an appropriate book of all licenses issued, with the names of the persons to whom issued, the date of issue, the time for which they were granted and the sums paid therefor;

(7) Perform such other duties as he may be required to perform by statute or by ordinance.

SEC. 3. (RCW 35.23.140) The city attorney shall be the legal advisor of the city council and of all the officers of the city in relation to matters pertaining to their respective offices. He shall represent the city in all litigation in all courts in which the city is a party or directly interested and shall prosecute all violations of city ordinances and shall act generally as attorney for the city and the several departments of the city government, and he shall perform such other duties as the city council may direct.

Enacted without amendment.

Duties of city attorney.

SEC. 4. (RCW 35.23.220) The city council shall fix the salary of all officials (except library trustees who shall serve without compensation) subject to the following limitations:

City council fixes salaries: limitations on.

(1) The salary of the mayor shall not exceed six thousand dollars per year; and

(2) The salary of councilmen shall not exceed eight hundred dollars per year, subject to a deduction of five dollars for each absence from a regular meeting of the city council.

No officer's salary or compensation shall be increased or diminished during his term of office, nor shall any officer be allowed any extra or additional compensation, either directly or indirectly, for the rendition of services that the city council have authority to require of him by virtue of his office.

The salaries of all city officers shall be paid monthly.

Paid monthly.

Passed the House February 21, 1955.

Passed the Senate March 7, 1955.

Approved by the Governor March 21, 1955.