

INCORPORATED COUNTY OF LOS ALAMOS CODE ORDINANCE NO. 02-309

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE III, SECTION 2-112,
ADJUSTING THE COMPENSATION OF THE COUNTY CLERK
AS PROVIDED FOR BY STATUTE**

WHEREAS, Council has reviewed the responsibilities and the workload of the County Clerk; and

WHEREAS, the New Mexico Legislature saw fit to give H Class counties the ability to increase the compensation of full time County Clerks when it passed House Bill 69 during the regular 2018 Session amending N.M. Stat. Ann. § 4-44-14(B)(4); and

WHEREAS, the salary for full-time position of the County Clerk has not increased since 2016, and

WHEREAS, the Incorporated County of Los Alamos combines the functions of both a county and a municipality and the County Clerk's office in Los Alamos County is responsible for performing functions assigned to each of those offices; and

WHEREAS, Council finds that the responsibilities and duties currently assigned to the County Clerk should be compensated commensurate with salary allowed by state law in order that the Clerk may be properly compensated for discharging the duties of the office.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE INCORPORATED COUNTY OF LOS ALAMOS as follows:

Section 1. Section 2-112 of the Code of the Incorporated County of Los Alamos is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 2-112. County clerk.

Upon a clerk taking office on January 1, 2021, the clerk shall be a full-time position. The clerk shall be entitled to compensation at the rate of \$75,733.00 per annum and shall be afforded all the benefits available to regular employees. The clerk shall also be reimbursed for actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of official duties as approved by the council.

Section 2. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective thirty (30) days after notice is published following its adoption.

Section 3. Severability. Should any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this ordinance, for any reason, be held to be invalid or unenforceable, the invalidity or unenforceability of such section, paragraph, clause or provision shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of this ordinance.

Section 4. Repealer. All ordinances or resolutions, or parts thereof, inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent of such inconsistency. This repealer shall not be construed to revive any ordinance or resolution, or part thereof, heretofore repealed.

ADOPTED this 17th day of November 2020.

**COUNCIL OF THE INCORPORATED
COUNTY OF LOS ALAMOS**

Sara C. Scott
Council Chair

ATTEST: (SEAL)

Naomi D. Maestas
Los Alamos County Clerk