

## ORDINANCE 1485

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GIG HARBOR, WASHINGTON, REPEALING ORDINANCE 1390 WHICH REESTABLISHED AN ANNUAL BUDGET; AND ADOPTING A BIENNIAL BUDGET AND BIENNIAL BUDGET PROCESS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Chapter 35A.34 RCW, the City of Gig Harbor, Washington is authorized to adopt a biennial fiscal budget; and

**WHEREAS**, Chapter 35A.34.040, RCW provides that such ordinance must be enacted at least six months prior to the start of the fiscal biennium; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council previously repealed adoption of the biennial process through Ordinance 1390; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council has determined that it would be in the best interest of the city to re-establish a biennial budget process to be effective January 1, 2023;

**NOW THEREFORE**, the City Council of the City of Gig Harbor, Washington, do ordain as follows:

**Section 1. Ordinance 1390 Repealed.** Ordinance No. 1390, which repealed the biennial budget and established an annual budget is hereby repealed in its entirety, effective January 1, 2023.

**Section 2. Establishment of a Biennial Budget.** The City of Gig Harbor hereby adopts a fiscal biennial budget process as authorized pursuant to Chapter 35A.34 RCW, as now or hereafter amended.

**Section 3. Mid-Biennial Review and Modification.** Mid-biennial reviews and modifications of the biennial budget are hereby provided. The review of the mid-biennial budget shall commence no sooner than eight months after the start nor later than 12 months after the start of the biennium. The mayor shall prepare the proposed budget modification and shall provide for publication of notice of hearings consistent with publication of notices for adoption of other city ordinances. The mayor shall distribute the proposed modification to members of the city council, with copies available to the public at City Hall. Public hearings on the proposed budget modification shall be conducted prior to the adoption of the ordinance modifying the biennial budget.

**Section 4. Severability.** If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance should be held to be unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance.

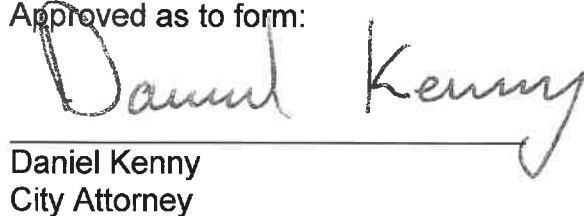
**Section 5. Correction of Errors.** The City Clerk and codifiers of the ordinance are authorized to make necessary corrections to this ordinance including, but not limited to, the correction of scrivener/clerical errors, references, ordinance numbering, section/subsection numbers and any references thereto.

**Section 6. Effective Date.** This ordinance shall take effect January 1, 2023.


**ADOPTED** by the Council of the City of Gig Harbor at a regular meeting thereof, held this 11<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2022.

  
Tracie Markley  
Mayor

Approved as to form:

  
Daniel Kenny  
City Attorney

Attest:

  
Joshua Stecker, CMC  
City Clerk