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**HONIARA CITY ACT 1999
(NO.2 OF 1999)**

HONIARA CITY (MAYOR'S ENTITLEMENTS) AWARDS 2010

IN exercise of the powers conferred upon it by section 15(2) of the Act, the Members of the Parliament (Entitlement) Commission makes the following determine in respect of the entitlements of the Mayor of Honiara City –

Citation and commencement

1. These Awards may be cited as the Honiara City (Mayor's Entitlements) Awards 2010, and come into force on the date it is published in the *Gazette* except for paragraph 3 (*salary*) which is deemed to have come into force on the 1st day of January 2010.

Definition

2. (1) In this determination, unless contrary intention specified in this determination requires otherwise –

‘Mayor’ means the Mayor of the Honiara City Council as elected under section 7(1) of the Act;

‘Council’ means the Honiara City Council established in accordance with the Act;

‘year’ means the Council’s financial year which begins 1st January and ends 31st December of each year.

(2) All references to dollars in this Determination are a reference to Solomon Islands currency unless otherwise specified.

(3) The rate of salaries and other allowances are set out in the Schedule.

Salary

3. The Mayor is entitled to be paid an annual salary which is to be paid on a fortnightly basis.

4. (1) The Mayor is entitled to a daily subsistence allowance when on pre-approved official visits in the Provinces to attend workshops, meetings and conferences excluding all personal visits. Local subsistence allowance

(2) The Mayor shall also be paid an accommodation allowance which shall be pre-approved, to cover the cost of accommodation in relation to the pre-approved travel specified in subparagraph (1).

(3) The amount shall be for the cost of accommodation only as evident by quote or invoice specifying the price to be paid for such accommodation that the council may agree to allow the Mayor to obtain for the purpose of official travel under subparagraph (1) and shall not include payment for alcohol, cigarette or soft drinks.

5. The Mayor is entitled to subsistence allowance when travelling overseas to attend seminars, conference, workshops or studying overseas – Overseas subsistence allowance

(a) where the seminar, conference, workshop is funded by the Solomon Islands Government or council, the Mayor shall be entitled to the full overseas subsistence allowance; or

(b) where the seminar, conference, workshop or study overseas is funded by an overseas Government or Agency, the Mayor shall be entitled to partial overseas subsistence allowance.

6. The Mayor shall be entitled to an outfit allowance once in every 3 years, but only if the Mayor attends a seminar, conference, meeting or workshop overseas at least once in the same three year period. Outfit allowance

7. The Council shall provide the Mayor with suitable furnished accommodation. However where the Mayor opts to remain in his private accommodation, the Council shall pay the Mayor a housing allowance. Accommodation

8. Council shall provide and pay the salary of a domestic servant for the Mayor. Domestic servant

- Utilities 9. The cost of gas, water and electricity at the Mayor's residence shall be paid for by the Council.
- Telephone 10. The cost of installation and telephone rental at the Mayor's residence shall be paid for by the Council. The Council shall also provide for the Mayor with a mobile phone but all of his personal calls are to be paid for by the Mayor to the Council in full at the beginning of each month for the previous month.
- Driver and vehicle 11. The Mayor shall be entitled to a vehicle and a driver paid for by the Council.
- Passages 12. (1) The Mayor is entitled to sea or airfares (whichever he prefers), to the home village of either the Mayor or his spouse within the Solomon Islands once per calendar year for the Mayor, the spouse and up to 5 dependent children under the age of 18 years.
- (2) In addition to subparagraph (1), the Mayor is entitled to receive a transport allowance to cover costs from port of disembarkation to his home village.
- Compassionate travel 13. The Mayor will be entitled to sea or airfares (whichever they prefer) for themselves to travel to the home village of the Mayor or their spouse on compassionate grounds once in a calendar year where an immediate family member of the Mayor or their spouse is seriously ill or in the case of death. In addition, the Mayor is entitled to receive a transport allowance to cover costs from port of disembarkation to his village.
- Ex gratia* payment 14. An *ex gratia* payment shall be made to the Mayor if he has served two consecutive terms or more on the Council. The payment shall be equal to 30% of the Yearly Fixed Allowance (annualized) of an ordinary Councilor.
- Medical treatment 15. The Mayor, his spouse and dependent children under the age of 18 years are entitled to free medical treatment at the Central Hospital including the use of a private room.

16. Where the death of the Mayor occurs in office, the Council shall ^{Death in office} meet the cost of the following –

- (a) the coffin
- (b) sea passage for spouse and up to 5 dependent children under the age of 18 years from Honiara to the home village;
- (c) if buried in Honiara, the grave shall be free;
- (d) the cost of transportation of the Mayor's body within Honiara shall be free;
- (e) in the event of the need for a cater plane or ship to transport the body of the Mayor to their home village, the Council shall meet the full cost of the charter.

17. (1) If the Mayor has served for a period of twelve (12) ^{Terminal grant} months or more, the Mayor is entitled to a terminal grant not exceeding the rate set out in the Schedule at the end of the life of the Council however where the Mayor only serve for less than 12 months, the Mayor then shall be paid at a *pro rata* basis.

(2) Subject to subparagraph (1), if the Mayor dies whilst in office, the terminal grant, shall be paid to the surviving spouse or the oldest child surviving of the union as the case maybe.

(3) Any outstanding debts owing to the Council shall be deducted from the terminal grant before payment is made to the Mayor.

Leave 18. The Mayor shall be entitled to 3 weeks paid annual leave every twelve months period from the commencement date of duty.

Revocation 19. The Determination of the Honiara City Mayor's Entitlements (LN 134/06) and any other determination made prior to these 2010 Awards are revoked.

SCHEUDLE
(Paragraph 2)

Regulation	Salary & Allowances	Rate (S)
3	Salary	64,500.00 (gross salary)
4	Local subsistence allowance	200.00 (per day)
5 (a)	Full overseas subsistence allowance	USD 200.00 (per day)
5(b)	Partial overseas subsistence allowance	USD 50.00 (per day)
6	Outfit allowances	USD 3,000.00
7	Housing allowance	5,000.00(per month)
12(2)	Transport allowance	1,000.00
13	Transport allowance	1,000.00
17	Terminal grant	40,000.00

DATED AT HONIARA THIS 28th day of May, 2010.

CHAIRPERSON
Members of Parliament (Entitlements) Commission

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