ORDINANCE SETTING FILING FEES FOR CANDIDATES TO MUNICIPAL OFFICE IN THE CITY OF DURHAM

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DURHAM ORDAINS:

SEC. 1 Part 3-101 (Filing fees for candidates to municipal office) of the Fee Schedule is changed to read:

Part 3-101 (Filing fees for candidates to municipal office)

BACKGROUND

1. North Carolina General Statute Section 163-294.2(e) requires that municipal governing boards set the amount of the required filing fees in nonpartisan elections.
2. The amount of such filing fees may not be less than $5.00 nor more than one percent of the annual salary of the office sought.
3. The annual salary of the Mayor of the City of Durham at the time of Council action setting filing fees was $24,236.16.
4. The annual salary of each Council Member of the City of Durham at the time of Council action setting filing fees was $20,587.58.

FINDING BY COUNCIL

It is the finding of the City Council that a filing fee of one percent of the annual salary of the office sought, as of the time of Council action setting filing fees, is a fair and reasonable filing fee.

Section 1. Pursuant to N.C.G.S. 163-294.2(e) the filing fee for the Office of Mayor is set at $242.36.

Section 2. Pursuant to N.C.G.S. 163-294.2(e) the filing fee for the Office of Council Member is set at $205.88.

SEC. 2 The City Clerk is directed to furnish a certified copy of this ordinance to the Durham County Board of Elections.

SEC. 3 This ordinance takes effect when adopted.