ORDINANCE NO. 1440

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PANAMA CITY BEACH PROPOSING TO AMEND SECTION 3-3 OF THE CHARTER OF THE CITY RELATING TO THE QUALIFICATIONS OF THE CITY MANAGER TO PROVIDE THAT THE CITY MANAGER SHALL BE A RESIDENT OF THE CITY OR BAY COUNTY IN THE ISLAND AREA MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED IN THE BODY OF THE ORDINANCE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; PROVIDING THAT THE AMENDMENT PROPOSED SHALL BE EFFECTIVE ONLY UPON THE APPROVAL OF REFERENDUM AS SPECIFIED IN THE ORDINANCE AND REPEALING ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF PANAMA CITY BEACH, FLORIDA:

SECTION 1. From and after the effective date hereof, 3-3 of the Charter of the City of Panama City Beach, relating to qualifications of the City Manager is hereby amended to read as follows (omitted text is stricken and new text is underlined):

Sec. 3-3. City Manager—Creation of office; appointment; term; qualifications; compensation.
There is hereby created the office of City Manager.

Prior to the appointment of a City Manager, by the City Council, and in the absence of an appointed City Manager, all duties and responsibilities of the office of City Manager, as defined herein, are vested in the office of Mayor.

A City Manager may be appointed by the City Council for an indefinite term and shall serve at the pleasure of the City Council. The City Manager shall be chosen solely on the basis of his/her executive and administrative qualifications; provided, that he/she shall be no less than twenty-one (21) years of age. The City Manager shall establish residence within the corporate limits of the City of Panama City Beach area between the Walton
County line and the western terminus of the Hathaway Bridge, and between the Intracoastal Waterway and the Gulf of Mexico, no more than six (6) months after his/her appointment though he/she need not be a resident of the City, County or the state at the time of his/her appointment.

The City Manager shall receive such compensation as the City Council shall determine.

SECTION 2. If approved by referendum as provided in this Ordinance, the appropriate officers and agents of the City are authorized and directed to codify, include and publish the provisions of this Ordinance within the Panama City Beach Charter.

SECTION 3. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are repealed to the extent of such conflict.

SECTION 4. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage, but the amendment proposed hereby shall become effective immediately upon approval by a majority of the electors of the City voting in the next general election or special election called for such purpose; and if the electors shall not approve the amendment proposed by this Ordinance at such referendum, or should no referendum be held within one (1) year from the passage of this Ordinance, then the proposal not approved shall be void and of no force and effect.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED at the regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Panama City Beach, Florida, this ___ day of ________, 2017.
MAYOR
ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

EXAMINED AND APPROVED by me this ____ day of ____, 2017.

MAYOR

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