

5% raise for city attorney on S. Tahoe council agenda

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South Lake Tahoe City Attorney Patrick Enright is scheduled to get a raise Tuesday before the council even evaluates him.

The 5 percent raise, which brings his salary from \$146,740 a year to \$154,077, is on the consent agenda. It's not until after the regular meeting that in closed session the council is scheduled to discuss his annual evaluation. With furloughs, which go away Oct. 1, Enright would make \$133,175 for the next three months.



Pat Enright

He was hired in June 2009 at a rate of \$128,000 a year. At that time he signed a two-year contract. The current salary range for the city attorney position is \$133,092 to \$169,860.

Enright's severance pay would be six months.

The council has set it up so he is on a five-year step like the rest of the employees. (All other city employees get a 5 percent raise based on the step system until they top out at step five.) However, as an at-will employee, the steps are not automatic for Enright. That is why the council must vote on the increase. The proposed increase would bring him to step four.

The council could treat this position like the city manager, which is not on a step basis. Raises are based on whatever the council would want to give that person.

On top of the raise, in the package is a \$400/month car allowance, and extension of his contract through 2013.

The other item before the council is having Enright pay the same percentage into PERS other city employees pay, if they agree to do so in the future. Right now the city pays his 8 percent contribution.

The City Council meets June 21 at 9am at Lake Tahoe Airport. Here is the City Council agenda.