

CHARTER OF THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

Section 24

1. Original Charter section approved by voters April 7, 1931

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The Mayor shall receive as compensation the sum of \$5000.00 per year, payable monthly. The Mayor shall also receive each year for entertainment purposes a sum not to exceed \$1500.00

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2. Amendment voted 11-06-1956; effective 01-10-1957

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3. Amendment voted 9/17/1963; effective 2/11/1964

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4. Amendment voted 06/02/1992; effective 07/13/1992

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Notwithstanding any other provision of this Charter and commencing with elections held in 1992, no person shall serve more than two (2) consecutive four-year terms as Mayor. If for any reason a person serves a partial term as Mayor in excess of two (2) years, that partial term shall be considered a full term for purposes of this term limit provision. Persons holding the office of Mayor prior to the November 1992 election shall not have prior or current terms be counted for the purpose of applying this term limit provision to future elections.

(Section 24 was superseded by section 265 from 01-01-2006 through 07-30-2010.)

5. Amendment voted 06-08-2010; effective 07-30-2010

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The Mayor shall devote full time to the duties of the office and not engage in any outside employment, trade, business or profession which interferes or conflicts with those duties.

6. Amendment voted 06-03-2014; effective 07-24-2014

See current Charter.