## Rich County Ordinance Providing for Theft or Crime Insurance Coverage in Lieu of Fidelity Bonds for County Officers

Whereas, Utah Code § 17-16-11 (2007) provides that the legislative body of each county shall prescribe the amount of each general fidelity bond or of theft or crime insurance to be acquired for county officials, except the county treasurer, which is governed by the State Money Management Act and rules promulgated thereunder, as the same may be amended; and,

Whereas, Rich County has insurance provided through the Utah County Indemnity Pool (UCIP), which includes adequate theft or crime insurance covering each county official; and

Whereas, the Board of County Commissioners finds that this ordinance is in the best interest of Rich County,

Therefore, the County Legislative Body of Rich County, Utah ordains as follows:

Section 1. County officials to be covered by theft of crime insurance. Minimum coverage amounts.

- (a) No fidelity bonds are required under this ordinance, unless an individual bond is required under a contract entered into by the county or by state law. All other officers shall be covered by theft or crime insurance secured by the county.
- (b) Before entering upon the discharge of their respective offices, the following county officers shall be covered by theft or crime insurance with a per occurrence limit of not less than the amounts required by state law, as follows:

<u>Office</u>	Penal <u>ty/</u> Coverage
Commissioners	\$5,000.00
County Clerk	\$5,000.00
Auditor	\$5,000.00
Sheriff	20,000.00
Attorney	\$5,000.00
Recorder	\$5,000.00
Assessor	20,000.00
Surveyor	\$5,000.00
Justice Court Judge	\$5,000.00
Constable	\$5,000.00

Treasurer

(As set by the State Money Management Council) \$2,500.00

Deputies/Assistants

- (c) If any of the offices listed are combined in accordance with § 17-16-3 of the Utah Code the combined office shall not require multiple policies of insurance and the coverage limit for theft or crime insurance for the combined office shall not be less than the highest requirement of the offices so combined.
- (d) Theft or crime insurance covering county officials under this ordinance shall be provided by an admitted or surplus lines insurance carrier or an interlocal cooperative agency acting as a public agency insurance mutual, or joint reserve fund. Any bonds required under contract shall be approved by the County Legislative Body, recorded by the county recorder, and filed and kept in the office of the county clerk. Any theft or crime insurance secured for the purpose of complying with this ordinance shall be approved by the County Legislative Body.
- (e) County officials and personnel of this county, except any officials who may be required by state statutes to give an individual bond or be covered by theft or crime insurance to qualify for office, may be covered by blanket theft or crime insurance coverage rather than separate individual policies or coverage. Said theft or crime insurance shall provide a minimum coverage limit of the maximum coverage required by state statute or county ordinance of any person covered by such blanket theft or crime insurance.
- (f) As required by Section 17-16-11 of the Utah Code, the premium of any bond or theft or crime insurance referred to herein, shall be paid from county funds.

Section 2. Effective Date.

This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon posting as provided by law.

Section 3. Repeal of prior ordinance.

The County's prior ordinance on this topic (ordinance 84-1) is repealed and replaced.

APPROVED and ADOPTED this 3 day of August, 2022.

BOARD OF RICH COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Mallow U. Chairman

ATTEST:

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Rich County Clerk

Commissioner Bill Cox voted Ye.5

Commissioner Jonathan Lee voted <u>Yes</u>.