

# Mayor and Council Communication

DATE: 03/02/21

M&C FILE NUMBER: M&C 21-0159

LOG NAME: 38SUBSTITUTE MUNICIPAL JUDGE

## **SUBJECT**

(ALL) Adopt Ordinance Appointing the Substitute Municipal Judges for a Two-Year Term Commencing April 1, 2021, and Ending March 31, 2023

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## **RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the City Council appoint Kim Marie Catalano, Danielle Dulaney, Laura E. Ganoza, Faye R. Harden, Joseph Henderson, Carla G. Kelman, Nancy A. Magee, and Edward B. Valverde, as Substitute Municipal Judges for a two-year term commencing April 1, 2021 and ending March 31, 2023, or until a successor is qualified and appointed in accordance with state law.

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## **DISCUSSION:**

### **Appointment of Substitute Municipal Judges**

Chapter 30 of the Texas Government Code (the Uniform Municipal Courts of Record Act) sets out the requirements for appointment of judges for Municipal Courts of Record. Section 30.00008 of the Texas Government Code (the Uniform Municipal Courts of Record Act) states that the governing body of a municipality may appoint one or more qualified persons to be available to serve for a Municipal Judge who is temporarily absent due to illness, family death, continuing legal or judicial education programs or any other reason. The presiding judge shall select one of the qualified persons appointed by the governing body to serve during the absence of a Municipal Judge. The Substitute Judge, while serving as a Municipal Judge, has all the powers and shall discharge all the duties of a Municipal Judge.

On February 23, 2021, the Ad Hoc Municipal Court Advisory Committee (Courts Committee) voted to recommend to the City Council that Kim Marie Catalano, Danielle Dulaney, Laura E. Ganoza, Faye R. Harden, Joseph Henderson, Carla G. Kelman, Nancy A. Magee, and Edward B. Valverde be appointed as Substitute Municipal Judges for a two-year term commencing April 1, 2021, and ending March 31, 2023.

The individuals listed above are now appointed as Substitute Municipal Judges for a two-year term commencing April 1, 2021, and ending March 31, 2023.

### **Compensation of Substitute Municipal Judges**

Compensation for Substitute Municipal Judges is \$43.97 per hour worked.

A Form 1295 is not required because: This M&C does not request approval of a contract with a business entity.

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## **FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:**

The Director of Finance certifies that approval of this recommendation will have no material effect on City funds.

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