

AN ORDINANCE

REVISING THE COMPOSITION OF THE MUNICIPAL COURT ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND RELATED ACTIONS.

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WHEREAS, on May 31, 2007, City Council approved Ordinance No. 2007-05-31-0595, creating an advisory committee to City Council, called the Municipal Court Advisory Committee (the “Committee”), which functions as a judicial liaison and provides recommendations on matters pertaining to Municipal Court, including judicial nominations; and

WHEREAS, on November 9, 2017, the composition of the Committee was revised to add external representation to advise on judicial nominations; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends the composition be revised to reflect that of a City Council Committee, comprised of five current City Councilmembers; and

WHEREAS, the charge of the Committee is recommended to stay focused on matters pertaining to Municipal Court, including the persons who interact with the Court, its programs and procedures; **NOW THEREFORE:**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

SECTION 1. The Municipal Court Advisory Committee is revised to be comprised of five current City Councilmembers, to be appointed by the Mayor without further Council action required, with terms coterminous with the City Council. A quorum of the Committee is three members. At meetings of the Committee, a majority of the quorum is required to pass a motion.

SECTION 2. The Committee may invite external experts to assist with judicial nominations or other matters, as desired by the Committee, on an ad hoc manner. The external experts are not considered members of the Committee, have no voting privileges nor do they count towards quorum.

SECTION 4. The Municipal Court Advisory Committee shall function as a City Council liaison to the San Antonio Municipal Court and provide recommendations to the City Council on matters pertaining to Municipal Court, persons interacting with the Courts and its programming, and judicial nominations.

SECTION 5. This ordinance supersedes any prior ordinances about the Municipal Court Advisory Committee.

SECTION 6. This ordinance is effective immediately upon the receipt of eight affirmative votes, otherwise it is effective on the tenth day after passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED this ____ day of _____ 2023.

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Ron Nirenberg

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Debbie Racca-Sittre, City Clerk

Andrew Segovia, City Attorney