



City of San Antonio

Agenda Memorandum

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In Control: Municipal Court Advisory Committee

DEPARTMENT: Municipal Courts

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Carla Obledo

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: Citywide

SUBJECT:

Evaluation of Municipal Court Presiding Judge

SUMMARY:

The Municipal Court Advisory Committee will convene to discuss and potentially take action regarding the evaluation of Municipal Court Presiding Judge Carla Obledo.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The San Antonio Municipal Court has jurisdiction over Class C misdemeanor cases, as well as civil code and parking offenses. The court comprises ten judge positions and one presiding judge, who is appointed by the City Council for a two-year term ending on April 30 of odd-numbered years. Eligibility for this role requires United States citizenship, an active Texas law license in good standing, a minimum of two years of legal practice experience in Texas, and at least three years of residency in San Antonio prior to appointment.

The presiding judge is charged with overseeing the Municipal Court's judicial administration, setting judge work schedules, and maintaining a central docket, among other responsibilities as outlined in City Code Chapter 20 and Texas Government Code Chapter 30.

ISSUE:

As an appointed role, the Presiding Judge is subject to an annual performance evaluation to assess alignment with City Council expectations.

FISCAL IMPACT:

No fiscal impact is associated with this agenda item.

ALTERNATIVES:

None. This agenda item is intended solely for discussion and possible action regarding the evaluation of the Presiding Judge.

RECOMMENDATION:

Review and consider potential action on the performance evaluation of Carla Obledo, Municipal Court Presiding Judge.