

City of San Antonio

Agenda Memorandum

Agenda Item Number: 2

Agenda Date: May 24, 2023

In Control: Municipal Court Advisory Committee

SUBJECT:

Interview and possible reappointment of Municipal Court Presiding Judge

SUMMARY:

The Municipal Court Advisory Committee will meet to interview and may take action on the reappointment of Municipal Court Presiding Judge Carla Obledo.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The San Antonio Municipal Court has jurisdiction over Class C misdemeanor criminal cases. There are ten municipal court judge positions, nine part-time municipal court judge positions and one presiding judge. The presiding judge is selected by the City Council from the existing judges, to serve a two-year term ending April 30 of odd-numbered years. The judge must have United States citizenship, be a licensed attorney in good standing, with two or more years of experience practicing law in Texas, and have three or more years of residency in the City of San Antonio immediately preceding their appointment date.

The presiding judge is responsible for the administrative oversight of the Municipal Court Judges, establishes their work schedule and maintains a central docket for municipal court cases, in addition to other duties set out in City Code Chapter 20, and Texas Government Code Chapter 30.

ISSUE:

The Presiding Judge is appointed by the City Council for a two-year term, ending April 30 of odd-numbered years.

FISCAL IMPACT:

No fiscal impact.

ALTERNATIVES:

None. This item is for interviewing of and possible action on the reappointment of the Presiding Judge.

RECOMMENDATION:

Consideration and possible action on the reappointment of Carla Obledo, Municipal Court Presiding Judge.