CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS AGENDA ITEM DEPARTMENT HEAD'S SUMMARY FORM

AGENDA DATE: July 2, 2024

CONTACT PERSON(S) NAME AND PHONE NUMBER: Lilia Worrell. (915) 212-5822 and

Annabelle Casas (915) 212-5205

DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED: All

STRATEGIC GOAL: 2 – Set the Standard for a Safe and Secure City

SUBJECT:

A resolution that the City Council approve an 8 % increase in compensation for Elected and Council-Appointed Judges serving as a City of El Paso Municipal Court Judge, effective date of July 28, 2024.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:

The Municipal Court Elected Judges have not received an increase in compensation since September 2019. Government Code 30.0006 requires the governing body to determine the rate of compensation. There are 6 elected Judges: 1 Presiding Judge; 4 Judges (including 1 Council appointed judge currently presiding over court #4); and 1 Appellate Judge. This funding is already available in the Judiciary's general fund budget.

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:

August 20, 2019

AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

The Municipal Court Judges are paid out of the department's general fund.

Title	Number of Judges	Current Pay	Proposed Increase 8%		
Municipal Court Presiding Judge	1	64,800.00	69,984.00	Elected	
Municipal Court Appellate Judge	1	54,000.00	58,320.00	Elected	
Municipal Court Judge	4	54,000.00	58,320.00	Elected	

HAVE ALL AFFECTED DEPARTMENTS BEEN NOTIFIED? X YES NO

DEPARTMENT HEAD:

Lilia Worrell

Lilia Worrell, Municipal Court

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the City of El Paso Municipal Courts consists of six elected judicial positions; and

WHEREAS, Texas Government Code Section 30.00006(h) states the governing body shall determine the salary of a municipal judge; and

WHEREAS, the City of El Paso Municipal Court Judges have not received an increase in compensation since September 2019; and

WHEREAS, the El Paso City Council supports an eight percent (8%) increase in compensation for the City of El Paso Municipal Court Judges.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO:

That an eight percent (8%) increase in compensation for Elected and Council-appointed judges serving as a City of El Paso Municipal Court Judge shall be effective on July 28, 2024.

APPROVED this	_ day of July, 2024.		
		CITY OF EL PASO	
		Oscar Leeser	
		Mayor	
ATTEST:			
Laura D. Prine			
City Clerk			

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

Eric Gutierrez

Senior Assistant City Attorney

Lilia Worrell

Municipal Court Clerk

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