

PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENT NO. 4

Following is the proposed language for Section 1 of Article VII of the Charter:

ARTICLE VII. MUNICIPAL COURT

Section 1. Municipal court.

There shall be a Municipal Court vested with original jurisdiction of all causes arising under the City's Charter and ordinances. The Council shall appoint the judge or judges of Municipal Court for two (2) year terms. Council shall designate a Chief Judge to carry out related duties as adopted by the Council by ordinance, and shall fix the compensation of the Municipal Judges. Such compensation shall in no manner be contingent upon the amount of fees, fines or costs imposed or collected. Each Municipal Judge shall be licensed to practice law in the State of Colorado during his or her tenure in office, but need not be so licensed prior to appointment. As Council determines necessary, the Council may designate one (1) or more reputable and qualified attorneys to serve as temporary judge. The Council may remove a Municipal Judge for cause.

Rules of procedure, costs and fees shall be enacted by the Council upon recommendation of the Chief Municipal Judge.