

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORT PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Date: October 14, 2024

Agenda Item: #2

Agenda Item: *Discuss and recommend judicial appointments to the City of Austin Municipal Court.* (*Municipal Court*)

Vote

3-0 [Committee members present are Mayor Kirk Watson (chair) Council Member Jose Vela (vice-chair), Council Member Mackenzie Kelly (vice-chair).

Sponsors/Department:

Sponsors: Mayor Kirk Watson & Council Member Mackenzie Kelly

Summary of Discussion

Judge Serry Statman, Presiding Judge, Municipal Court, presented the need and possible selection process for the hiring of additional municipal judges.

Direction

The Committee recommends the full Council appointment one Municipal Court Associate Judge (Brian Guerra) and three Substitute judges Susana Meringola, Randy Ortega, Rae Ann Allong) on Council Member Vela's motion, Council Member Kelly's second.

Recommendation:

On a 3-0 vote, the Committee recommends sending item to full Council was made on Council Member Vela's motion, Council Member Kelly's second on a 3-0 vote.