



COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORT **Public Safety Committee**

Date: September 22, 2025

Agenda Item: #2

Agenda Item: *Discussion and possible action regarding the recommendation to Council regarding appointments of the Presiding Judge, Associate Judges, including the Downtown Austin Community Court Judge, and Substitute Judges to the Municipal Court.*

Vote

Motion by Mayor Watson 2nd by Council Member Krista Laine

Original Sponsors/Department: *Council Member José Velásquez, Council Member Krista Laine*

Summary of Discussion

The Committee went into executive session and returned with their recommendation.

Direction

Sending to full Council for consideration.

Recommendation:

Recommends the city council reappoints the following judges of the downtown Austin community court judge, the municipal court. Recommend to the city council that the city council reappoint the following individuals as judges of the, of the municipal court and downtown Austin community court in the following way. Presiding judge Sherry Statman, downtown Austin community court judge Michael Coffee and it is also a recommendation of the committee that judge Coffee be reappointed as an associate judge of the Austin municipal court.

The following associate judges would be our recommendation, judge Brian j Garra, judge Barbara Garcia, judge Alfred Jenkins, judge Patrick McNeilis, judge George Thomas, and judge Steven Vigarito. Substitute judges that we would recommend are judge Kelly Evans, judge Christine Harris Schultz, judge Gordon Carchmer, judge randy Ortega, judge Olga Selig, judge Pamela Sigman, judge Stanley Kerr. Judge Susanna Marangola, judge Ron Myerson, judge Ryan Turner and judge Ken Vetucci.

I would move that the public safety committee, make those recommendations to the entire Austin city council.