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**City Council Regular Meeting**

**DEPARTMENT:** City Secretary's Office  
**FROM:** Amanda Campos, City Secretary  
**MEETING:** June 3, 2024

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**SUBJECT:**

Consider approval of an ordinance appointing a Presiding Municipal Court Judge of the Burleson Municipal Court of Record, City of Burleson for a term of two years, expiring July 5, 2026 and approving a Professional Service Agreement. (First Reading) (Staff Contact: Amanda Campos, City Secretary)

**SUMMARY:**

The Burleson City Charter Section 30 states the qualifications and manner to appoint municipal court judges. Section 30 states the council by ordinance shall appoint a competent and duly licensed attorney practicing law in the State of Texas. J. Greg Coontz is currently serving as the Presiding Judge and is eligible to serve another two year term. An ordinance must be passed to appoint the Judge and this ordinance requires two readings at two separate meetings to be in compliance with our city charter.

The professional service agreement will be part of the ordinance and will be provided for the city council reviews. The manner in which the city council reviews the performance and agreement is not stated in law and each council shall determine their own practice.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

**PRIOR ACTION/INPUT (Council, Boards, Citizens):**

Municipal Court staff works well with Judge Coontz and would continue to work in partnership with Judge Coontz should council re-appoint.

**REFERENCE:**

CSO#3007-07-2022 Ordinance appointing J. Greg Coontz as Presiding Judge

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

FY23-24 has budgeted for the current service agreement in place for the Presiding Judge.

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