



City Council Regular Meeting

November 10, 2025

Dual Magistrate Roles

Discuss and consider action: Approval of an interlocal agreement with Burnet County acknowledging and outlining the dual role of the Magistrate for the City of Burnet and the Burnet County Jail Magistrate: D. Vaughn





Background

- This item is presented at the request of the County Attorney.
- Currently, the Honorable Tamera Tinney sits as municipal court presiding judge and as county jail magistrate; and the Honorable Kristen Tice sits as municipal court associate judge and as county jail associate magistrate.
- The purpose of this item is to amend the Interlocal Agreement (ILA) with the County regarding the municipal court judge and associate judge's role as county jail magistrates.
- The genesis for the proposed amendment to the ILA is recent legislation codified as TCCP 17.027(a)(2)), that:
 - Outlines conditions when a magistrate is not authorized to conduct the magistration of an arrested person; but
 - Does not place such limitation on municipal court judges.





Purpose of ILA Amendment

- Reaffirms and updates the 2017 agreement.
- Reflect that it is the City and County's intent, that for the purposes of TCCP 17.027(a)(2), magistration shall be performed by Judge Tinney or Judge Tice in their capacity as municipal court judge and not county magistrates.
- The ILA Amendment was approved by Commissioners Court last week.





Questions?

Recommendation

- Staff recommends approval of the interlocal agreement as presented.

