

RESOLUTION 2023-007
OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS
APPOINTING SARAH SIMCHOWITZ AS AN ASSISTANT MUNICIPAL
JUDGE OF THE FORT COLLINS MUNICIPAL COURT AND
AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, Article VII of the City Charter provides that the City Council shall appoint the judge or judges of the Municipal Court for two-year terms; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has previously appointed Judge Brown, Judge Kline, Judge Nieto, Judge Patterson and Judge Cirbo as Assistant Municipal Judges; and

WHEREAS, because the current Assistant Municipal Judges also have other work outside the City, there have still been multiple occasions where none of them were available to provide backup coverage for Chief Judge Jill Hueser; and

WHEREAS, Chief Judge Hueser is therefore recommending that the City Council appoint an additional Assistant Municipal Judge, Sarah Simchowitz, as back-up for herself; and

WHEREAS, the City Council recognizes that Sarah Simchowitz is a reputable and qualified attorney, who is licensed to practice law in the state of Colorado, and wishes to appoint Ms. Simchowitz to serve in such capacity on the recommendation of the Chief Judge.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS as follows:

Section 1. That the City Council hereby makes and adopts the determinations and findings contained in the recitals set forth above.

Section 2. That Sarah Simchowitz is hereby appointed as Assistant Municipal Judge, for a term beginning January 1, 2023, *nunc pro tunc*, and ending December 31, 2024, to serve as Assistant Municipal Judge for the City as deemed necessary by the Chief Judge.

Section 3. That the compensation to be paid by the City to Ms. Simchowitz for serving in this capacity shall be at the rate of Ninety Dollars (\$90) per hour.

Section 4. That the Mayor is hereby authorized to enter into an employment agreement between the City and Sarah Simchowitz in a form consistent with Exhibit "A", attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, for the period of January 1, 2023, through December 31, 2024, to effectuate the purposes of this Resolution.

Passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the Council of the City of Fort Collins this 17th day of January, 2023.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk