

TO: FRUITA CITY COUNCIL AND MAYOR

FROM: CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

DATE: NOVEMBER 5, 2024

AGENDA TEXT: PRESENTATION – City Council presentation of the 2024 Colorado Municipal Judges Association Linda Schindel Moore Leadership/Administrator Award to Municipal Court Clerk Mamie Alsup.

BACKGROUND

Last weekend, the Colorado Municipal Judges Association (CMJA) awarded Fruita Municipal Court Clerk Mamie Alsup the 2024 Linda Schindel Moore Leadership/Administrator Award. CMJA is a statewide association of over 200 municipal courts in Colorado. Each court has a Clerk and most have a court administrator, which means that there are over 300+ court personnel eligible for this award. This award is given to rural Colorado courts that exemplify integrity and leadership in the administration of justice.

This is the first year that the award has been presented, and it will only be awarded every other year when the CMJA has a joint conference with judges and clerks. The award recognizes an individual who is not a judge who has demonstrated leadership and excellence in the advancement of the ideals and principles of modern and professional court management.

Ms. Alsup's nomination was as follows: "Mamie serves as both the Clerk and Administrator. Her work over the last several years has moved the court to an organized, efficient and high performing part of the City of Fruita. This has been in no small measure a reflection of Mamie's conscientious commitment to excellence and innovation. For example, on her own initiative, Mamie researched and identified software that will result in a paperless system for the court. It will be implemented in November.

Mamie is known among her colleagues as a consistent and credible source of information.

Most impressive is the demeanor with which Mamie deals with the public. Clerks often must deal with a variety of personalities, some of which are not polite. Mamie treats everyone with respect, patience, kindness and courtesy, regardless of how they relate to her. These qualities are enviable to anyone who must interact with the public and shine the best light on the court.

Mamie's experience as a California Superior Court Clerk has served her well by bringing a seasoned maturity and standard of best practices to the Fruita Municipal Court.

She deserves to be recognized by CMJA as a model of excellence for Court Administrators and Clerks in Colorado."

The City Council would like to recognize Mamie Alsup for this award and formally celebrate it during the meeting.