



Council Agenda Summary

February 21, 2023

Key Staff Contact: Mark Gonzales, Municipal Judge

Title:

Consideration of a Resolution appointing Keith Coleman and Diane Knutson as Assistant Municipal Judges and Assistant Liquor Licensing Hearing Officers for the City of Greeley, Colorado

Summary:

Section 2-939 of the Greeley Municipal Code authorizes the Greeley City Council to appoint Assistant Judges to handle the caseload of the Municipal Court. Section 8-434 of the Greeley Municipal Code establishes a Local Licensing Authority which regulates liquor licensing and provides that Hearing Officers appointed by the City Council act as the Liquor Licensing Authority.

Keith Coleman has acted as an Assistant Municipal Judge and as a back-up Hearing Officer for the Liquor Licensing Authority for the past three years, and previously served as an Assistant Judge from 2008-2010. Greeley Municipal Judge Mark Gonzales has recommended that Mr. Coleman be reappointed as an Assistant Judge and Hearing Officer for the Liquor Licensing Authority.

Diane Knutson has acted as an Assistant Municipal Judge and as a back-up Hearing Officer for the Liquor Licensing Authority since 2012. Greeley Municipal Judge Mark Gonzales has recommended that Ms. Knutson be reappointed as an Assistant Judge and Hearing Officer for the Liquor Licensing Authority.

Fiscal Impact:

Does this item create a fiscal impact on the City of Greeley?	Yes
If yes, what is the initial, or, onetime impact?	Dependent on number of hours the Assistant Judge or back-up Hearing Officer is needed
What fund of the City will provide Funding?	General Fund
Is there grant funding for this item?	N/A
Additional Comments:	The salaries for the Assistant Municipal Judges and back-up Hearing Officers have been budgeted.

Legal Issues:

The appointment of Assistant Judges is authorized by Section 2-939 of the Municipal Code. The appointment of Hearing Officers for the Local Liquor Licensing Authority is authorized by Section 8-434 of the Municipal Code.

Strategic Focus Area:



High-Performance Government



Safe and Secure Communities

Decision Options:

- 1) Adopt the resolution as presented; or
- 2) Amend the resolution and adopt as amended; or
- 3) Deny the resolution; or
- 4) Continue consideration of the resolution to a date certain.

Council's Recommended Action:

A motion to adopt the Resolution.

Attachments:

Resolution