



MUNICIPAL COURT

To: Mayor and Town Council

From: Judith Jacinto, Court Administrator

Through: Mario Canizares, Town Manager
Bob Scott, Deputy Town Manager
Chris Landrum, Finance Director
Ryan Patterson, Assistant Finance Director

Re: Associate Municipal Judge Agreement – Caprice Garcia
Town Council Meeting – March 24, 2026

Strategic Visioning Priority: Provide Excellent Municipal Services

Agenda Item:

Consider and act upon the appointment of an Associate Municipal Judge for a two-year term and authorize the Town Manager to execute an agreement for same.

Description of Agenda Item:

Article VII, Section 7.01.002 of the Town Charter allows Town Council to appoint an Associate Municipal Judge by the affirmative vote of a majority of the full membership of the Town Council. The Associate Municipal Judge is appointed to a term of two years and may be appointed to additional consecutive terms. If appointed, the Judge's term will begin May 1, 2026, and end on April 30, 2028.

Judge Caprice Garcia is a licensed attorney, currently serving as Municipal Judge over various municipalities. Judge Garcia is currently an independent contractor of the Town performing services such as judicial authorization of blood draws when authorized under state law. The Associate Municipal Judge will be compensated at a rate of one hundred fifty and no/100 dollars (\$150.00) per hour, billed in quarter (.25) hour increments, with a minimum of one hour's compensation guaranteed, which is reflected in the attached agreement.

Budget Impact:

Compensation for the Associate Municipal Judge is a budgeted item and is paid from the Judicial Services Account.

Legal Obligations and Review:

Terrence Welch of Brown & Hofmeister, L.L.P., has approved the attached documents as to form and legality.

Attached Documents:

1. Agreement

Town Staff Recommendation:

Town Staff recommend the Town Council appoint Judge Caprise Garcia as the Associate Judge for the Town of Prosper for a two-year term and authorize the Town Manager to execute an agreement for the same.

Proposed Motion:

I move to appoint Judge Caprise Garcia as the Associate Municipal Judge for the Town of Prosper for a two-year term and authorize the Town Manager to execute an agreement for the same.