

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REPUBLIC, MISSOURI,
AMENDING THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF REPUBLIC, MISSOURI, BY
AMENDING TITLE I, "GOVERNMENT CODE," CHAPTER 130, "MUNICIPAL COURT,"
ARTICLE I, "GENERAL PROVISIONS," REGARDING THE TERM OF OFFICE FOR
MUNICIPAL JUDGES**

WHEREAS, the City of Republic, Missouri, (herein called the "City" or "Republic") is a municipal corporation and Charter City located in Greene County, Missouri, being duly created, organized and existing under the laws of the State of Missouri; and

WHEREAS, On April 2, 2019, the voters of the City voted to amend the Charter of the City; and

WHEREAS, the amendments to the Charter included changing the term of the Mayor and Council and the timing of elections in the City; and

WHEREAS, the Council deems it necessary to amend Chapter 130 to reflect the Charter changes as voted on and adopted by the Citizens and to provide greater time a newly elected Mayor has to appoint and Council to provide advice and consent of Municipal Judges.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REPUBLIC AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Title I, "Government Code," Chapter 130, "Municipal Court," Article I, "General Provisions," is hereby amended by amending Section 130.040, "Term of Office," to read as follows:

Section 130.040 Term of Office.

The Municipal Judge or Judges shall be appointed for two-year terms **within 90 calendar days at the first meeting** after the newly elected Mayor ~~and~~ **or** Council ~~or both~~ are sworn into office in even-numbered years and in each even-numbered year thereafter. The term of the Municipal Judge shall be two (2) years or until a successor is appointed, and if the appointment was made for less than two (2) years then until the unexpired portion of the two-year term is completed. If for any reason the Municipal Judge vacates his/her office during his/her term, a successor shall be selected to complete the term of office. The selection shall be made in accordance with the provisions of Section 130.030 of this Chapter.

EXPLANATION – Matter in **bold-face** type in the above is added language. Matter in ~~striketrough~~ in the above is deleted.

Section 2. All other Sections of the Municipal Code of the City of Republic, Missouri, not specifically referenced in this Ordinance shall remain unmodified and in full force and effect.

Section 3. The whereas clauses are hereby specifically incorporated herein by reference.

Section 4. The provisions of this Ordinance are severable and if any provision hereof is declared invalid, unconstitutional or unenforceable, such determination shall not affect the validity of the remainder of this Ordinance.


Section 5. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage as provided by law.

PASSED AND APPROVED at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Republic, Missouri, this _____ day of _____ 2020.

Jeff Ussery, Mayor

Attest:

Laura Burbridge, City Clerk

Approved as to Form:  Digitally signed by Scott Ison
Date: 2020.05.27 13:22:22
-05'00' _____, Scott Ison, City Attorney

Final Passage and Vote: _____