

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL APPOINTING NEW AUTHORIZED SIGNERS FOR THE CITY'S MUNICIPAL COURT ACCOUNT WITH ARVEST BANK AND MODIFYING THE PROCESS BY WHICH THE CITY IS TO PROVIDE NOTICE OF ANY PERSONNEL CHANGES AFFECTING SUCH AUTHORIZED SIGNERS

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

WHEREAS, in Bill 20-06, Council approved an intergovernmental agreement ("Agreement") with the Office of State Courts Administrator ("OSCA") for the implementation of the Show-Me-Courts Court Automation Software ("SMC Software"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Agreement and as required by OSCA, the Republic Municipal Court is required to have a separate bank account with/from the City through which it may process receipts utilizing the SMC Software ("Municipal Court Account"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Agreement and as required by OSCA, the Republic Municipal Court, through the Presiding Judge and Court Clerk, is responsible for the management and reconciliation of the Municipal Court Account; and

WHEREAS, the City has contracted with Arvest Bank for its banking service needs, and has opened certain accounts with Arvest Bank, one of which is the Municipal Court Account, which can be drawn upon by designated individuals with the authorization to do so on behalf of the City ("Authorized Signers"); and

WHEREAS, the Council may, at any time, remove, add or otherwise change the Authorized Signers, as it deems appropriate and/or necessary; and

WHEREAS, the City previously authorized then-Presiding Judge Benjamin McBride, and Municipal Court Clerk Kymberly Winkler, as the Authorized Signers on the Municipal Court Account; and

WHEREAS, due to Mr. McBride's resignation from the position of Presiding Judge, the Council finds it necessary to remove Mr. McBride as an Authorized Signer on the Municipal Court Account, effective immediately; and

WHEREAS, additionally, in order to ensure the authorizations granted herein remain properly vested in the positions responsible for oversight and management of the Municipal Court Account, regardless of the individuals holding the positions, the Council finds it appropriate to designate the Authorized Signers on the Municipal Court Account by job title rather than by individual names, subject at all times to the Council's authority to review and revise such designations; and

WHEREAS, to ensure the proper safekeeping and administration of the Municipal Court Account without interruption, the City Administrator shall be responsible for maintaining current signature cards with Arvest Bank for the individuals occupying the positions identified herein, and shall promptly notify Arvest Bank of any personnel changes in those positions that would affect the authorizations granted herein; and

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

Section 1: Arvest Bank is hereby requested, authorized, and directed to honor checks, drafts, or other orders of payment of money drawn in City's name, including those payable to the individual order of any person or persons whose name or names appear thereon as signer or signers thereof, when bearing or purporting to bear the signature of the individual then occupying one of the following employment positions within the City:

Presiding Judge
Municipal Court Clerk

Section 2: The City Administrator and Chief Financial Officer shall, at all times, ensure that current signature cards for the individuals occupying the positions identified herein are available to Arvest Bank, and shall promptly notify Arvest Bank of any personnel changes in those positions that may affect the authorizations granted herein. Any such written notice provided by the City Administrator or Chief Financial Officer to Arvest Bank shall be reported to the Council by no later than the next regular meeting of the Council.

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

Section 4: This Resolution shall become effective on and after the date of passage and approval as provided by law.

Section 5: This Resolution supersedes all previous resolutions pertaining to the authorized signers on/for any municipal court account held by the City at Arvest Bank.

PASSED AND APPROVED at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Republic, Missouri, this _____ day of _____, 2025.

Attest:

Eric Franklin, Mayor

Laura Burbridge, City Clerk

Approved as to Form:



Megan McCullough, City Attorney

Final Passage and Vote: