

## DIRECT REFERRAL TO LICENSING, HEARINGS, AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Res. No. 10 - 23 - 24. By Alderpersons Salazar and Felde. May 24, 2023.

A RESOLUTION establishing a Joint Municipal Court Advisory Committee to identify qualified candidates for interim appointment as the Sheboygan Area Municipal Court Judge.

WHEREAS, the Honorable Natasha Torry, Sheboygan Area Municipal Court Judge, has been elected to serve as a Sheboygan County Circuit Court Judge effective August 1, 2023; and

WHEREAS, 2023 Sheboygan Municipal Code § 2-469(g) outlines the process for filling the vacant municipal court judge position until such time as an election may be held, and provides in relevant part as follows:

> Mid-term vacancies in the office of municipal judge shall be filled by temporary appointment jointly by the governing bodies of all municipalities served by the judge, pursuant to Wis. Stats., § 8.50(4)(fm). The salary of a municipal judge who is designated or appointed under Wis. Stats. § 8.50(4)(fm) or § 800.06 shall be determined by contract between the City of Sheboygan and the judge. The judge may not serve until the contract is entered into. The office shall then be permanently filled pursuant to state law.

## and

WHEREAS, the Sheboygan Area Municipal Court currently serves the City of Sheboygan and the Village of Kohler.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That the City establishes a Joint Municipal Court Advisory Committee ("Committee") whose function shall be to make recommendations to the City's Common Council and the Kohler Village Board of candidates for temporary appointment as municipal judge pending election. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Committee shall consist of five total members; three of whom shall be appointed by the Mayor subject to confirmation by the City's Common Council. The remaining two members shall be selected by the Kohler Village Board. The municipal judge shall serve as ex-officio, non-voting member of the Committee.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Resolution was duly passed by the
Common Council of the City of Sheboygan, Wisconsin, on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of
\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_,
Dated \_\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, City Clerk
Approved \_\_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_, Mayor