

ORDINANCE NO. 2017-08-4438

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 91-12-3554 REGARDING MUNICIPAL COURT.

WHEREAS, on the 17th day of December, 1991, the Governing Body adopted Ordinance No. 91-12-3554 requiring the Municipal Court Judge to hold court at least four times per month; and

WHEREAS, when the Municipal Court Judge is absent, the City is required to hire a pro tem judge for Court, to ensure court is held at least four times per month; and

WHEREAS, as a cost-saving measure, City staff recommends the Governing Body amend its ordinance so that the City is not required to hire a pro tem judge in the Municipal Court Judge's absence.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF ARKANSAS CITY, KANSAS:

Section 1. AMENDMENT.

The Governing Body hereby amends Ordinance No. 91-12-3554 to read as follows (new provisions in italics; deleted provisions struck through):

~~2.36.020~~ ~~Hours.~~ The Governing Body may provide at the expense of the City a suitable room or office for the Municipal Court Judge and *the Judge he shall hold his Municipal Court in such room, under the terms of the Municipal Court Judge's contract or employment. The City Manager may cancel Municipal Court dates for holidays, in the Municipal Court Judge's absence, or when otherwise deemed necessary by the City Manager.* ~~at least four times per month, on a day and time as he shall deem appropriate.~~

Section 2. Effective Date

This Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force from and after its adoption by the governing body of the City of Arkansas City and either (a) publication once in the official newspaper of the City, or (b) publication of a summary of this Ordinance certified as legally accurate and sufficient by the City Attorney.

PASSED AND ORDAINED by the Governing Body of the City of Arkansas City, Kansas on August 15, 2017.

Duane L. Oestmann, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lesley Shook, City Clerk

DRAFTED AND APPROVED AS TO FORM.

Tamara Niles, City Attorney