

ORDINANCE NO. 10647

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE MUNICIPAL COURT AND AMENDING CHAPTERS 2.09 AND 2.16 OF THE BELLINGHAM MUNICIPAL CODE FOR THE PURPOSE OF SETTING THE TERM OF OFFICE AND SALARY OF THE MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE AND TO CLARIFY THE MANNER IN WHICH COURT STAFF ARE SUPERVISED

WHEREAS, the state law concerning the term of office for Municipal Court judges has been clarified by a legal opinion issued by the Attorney General's Office; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to adjust the salary of the Municipal Court judge and to make certain administrative changes to the City Code to bring the Code into compliance with state law;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY OF BELLINGHAM DOES ORDAIN:

Section 1. Bellingham Municipal Code Section 2.09.015(C) is repealed.

Section 2. Bellingham Municipal Code Section 2.16.030(A) is amended as follows:

- A. The mayor shall appoint and the city council shall confirm the municipal court judge. The term of the appointment shall be four years, with the initial term commencing January 1, ~~1989~~ 1986 and every four years thereafter. Appointments shall be made on or before December 1 of the year next preceding the year in which the term commences.

Section 3. A new section is added to Chapter 2.16 of the Bellingham Municipal Code as follows:

Section 2.16.050 Judicial Salaries

- A. The salary for the Municipal Court judge, effective January 1, 1996, shall be \$34,386.00 per year. For conducting jury trials, the judge shall receive additional pay at the rate of \$60.00 per hour.
- B. The salary for judges pro tem shall be \$50.00 per hour; provided, for conducting jury trials, judges pro tem shall be paid at the rate of \$60.00 per hour.

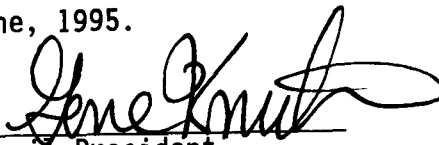
Section 4. A new section is added to Chapter 2.16 of the Bellingham Municipal Code as follows:

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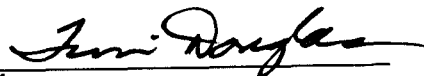
Section 2.16.060 Juror Compensation


Each juror who serves in Municipal Court shall receive \$10.00 for each day in attendance upon the court and, in addition thereto, shall receive mileage at the rate of \$.29 per mile.

PASSED by Council this 26 day of June, 1995.


Council President

APPROVED by me this 12th day of June, ¹⁴1995.


Mayor

ATTEST: 
Finance Director

APPROVED AS TO FORM: 
City Attorney

