

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-45

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE SECOND
AMENDMENT TO EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF FOREST
GROVE'S MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE

WHEREAS, Virginia Petersen was appointed the Municipal Judge for the City of Forest Grove on May 10, 2004, by the Forest Grove City Council; and

WHEREAS, the contract was amended effective July 1, 2012, to increase the Judge's compensation to \$80.00 and pay the Judge for a minimum of four hours for each day that court is held; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable to amend the employment agreement contract to change the Judge's compensation as it has been ten years since the last hourly rate adjustment.

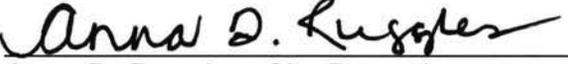
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF FOREST GROVE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. To amend Section Five of the amended contract to change the Judge's hourly rate from \$80.00 per hour to \$100.00 per hour and to have the hourly rate increase annually on July 1 based on the cost-of-living increase provided to non-represented employees.

Section 2. The City Manager is authorized to execute the attached amendment to the original agreement.

Section 3. This resolution is effective immediately upon its enactment by the City Council.

PRESENTED AND PASSED this 27th day of June, 2022.



Anna D. Ruggles, City Recorder

APPROVED by the Mayor this 27th day of June, 2022.



Peter B. Truax, Mayor



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CITY RECORDER USE ONLY:

AGENDA ITEM #: F. 14.

MEETING DATE: 06/27/2022

FINAL ACTION: RESO 2022-45

CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

TO: *City Council*

FROM: *Jesse VanderZanden, City Manager*

MEETING DATE: *June 27, 2022*

PROJECT TEAM: *Paul Downey, Assistant City Manager/Finance Director*

SUBJECT TITLE: *Increase Municipal Court Judge’s Hourly Rate*

ACTION REQUESTED: Ordinance Order Resolution Motion Informational

X all that apply

ISSUE STATEMENT: The hourly rate for Virginia Petersen, the City’s Municipal Court Judge was last increased on July 1, 2012, from \$75 per hour to \$80 per hour. The Judge has requested that the hourly rate be increased from the current \$80 per hour to \$100 per hour, effective July 1, 2022 and the hourly rate increase annually on July 1 based on the cost-of-living increase provided to non-represented employees. Since the Municipal Court Judge is a Council-appointed position, staff has prepared a contract amendment and a resolution for Council consideration.

DISCUSSION : Staff has reviewed the hourly rate increase request and it is in line with other cities in the area: 1) Tualatin - \$125 per hour; 2) Tigard - \$100 per hour; 3) Wilsonville - \$100 per hour; and 4) Hillsboro - \$98.90 per hour (with COLA in July). The Judge is paid for a minimum of four hours for every day the Judge holds court which is also consistent with other cities.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The hourly rate increase will cost approximately \$3,400 per year and has been included in the FY 22-23 Approved Budget.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the City Council approve the attached resolution approving the hourly rate increase for the Municipal Court Judge effective July 1, 2022.

ATTACHMENT(s): Resolution Authorizing City Manager to Execute The Second Amendment to Employment Agreement with the City of Forest Grove’s Municipal Court Judge