CITY OF SAN ANTONIO INTERDEPARTMENTAL MEMORANDUM CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

TO:

Mayor and City Council

FROM:

Andrew Martin, City Attorney

THROUGH:

J. Rolando Bono, Interim City Manager

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SUBJECT:

Ordinance Appointing Part-Time Municipal Court Judges

DATE:

October 14, 2004

SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATIONS

This Ordinance appoints two part-time municipal court judges to fill the unexpired terms left by the resignation of David Christian and the promotion of Juventino Guerra to full time judge. The Municipal Court Subcommittee of the Quality of Life Committee and the Quality of Life Committee recommend to the City Council, the following candidates for appointment:

Carmen Rojo Abraham Ramirez

The City Council also accepts David Christian's resignation and designates to which unexpired term Ms. Rojo and Mr. Ramirez are appointed.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Municipal Court Subcommittee (Subcommittee) of the Council's Quality of Life Committee met on September 21, 2004 to consider its recommendations for appointment of part-time municipal court judges.

Each subcommittee member reviewed all applications received by the City Clerk for the posted positions as well as previous applications received. All applications are available for review in the City Clerk's Office.

After considering the credentials and qualifications of the applicants, the Subcommittee presented its recommendations to the Quality of Life Committee on October 7, 2004. The Subcommittee recommended to the Quality of Life Committee that Rojo and Ramirez be selected as candidates for appointment by the City Council.

The Quality of Life Committee recommends the same candidates to the City Council. The City Clerk will forward in a separate packet, a copy of the application submitted by each recommended candidate.

In addition, the Council must assign each appointee to one of the two unexpired terms available. These are:

May 1, 2004 to April 30, 2006 (position #30000450) and January 18, 2004 to January 17, 2006 (position #30015902)

FISCAL IMPACT

Part-time judges work on-call on an hourly, as needed basis. Part-time judges do not receive benefits. The fund to pay for part-time judges is authorized and established by the adopted budget for Municipal Court. There are twelve part-time judge positions authorized in the FY 2004-2005 adopted budget. This action fills all of these positions. The costs associated with this action are included in the FY 2004-2005 adopted budget.

COORDINATION

The City Attorney's Office has coordinated this item with the City Clerk's Office and the Office of Management and Budget.

ANDREW MARTIN

City Attorney

APPROVED:

J. ROLANDO BONO INTERIM CITY MANAGER