

Ad Hoc Judicial Nomination Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: Monday, March 26, 2018

Convened: 12:12 P.M.

Adjourned: 12:45 P.M.

Committee Members Present:

Council Member B. Adam McGough, Chair
Council Member Philip T. Kingston, Vice Chair
Mayor Pro Tem Dwaine R. Caraway
Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Adam Medrano
Council Member Jennifer S. Gates
Council Member Sandy Greyson
Council Member Kevin Felder

Committee Members Absent:

Other Council Members Present:

Staff Present:

Genesis D. Gavino
Gloria Lopez Carter
Judge Daniel Solis
Chris Caso
Jon Fortune

AGENDA:

Call to Order

1. Approval of the January 8, 2018 meeting minutes.

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

A motion to approve the minutes of March 26, 2018.

Motion made by: Chair McGough

Item passed unanimously:

Item failed unanimously:

Motion Seconded by:

Item passed on a divided vote:

Item failed on a divided vote:

2. Overview of the Municipal Court Operations

Presenter(s): Gloria Lopez Carter, Director; Judge Solis, Administrative Judge

Information Only:

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

Staff briefed the committee on trends impacting court utilization. Citations have been decreasing at a rate of 5% yearly. Dockets and scheduled cases have also been decreasing, yet the number of judges remain the same. Based on those findings, staff recommended to the Ad Hoc Judicial Nominations Committee to consider reducing the number of full-time judges from 12 to 10.

Motion made by:

Item passed unanimously:

Item failed unanimously:

Motion Seconded by:

Item passed on a divided vote:

Item failed on a divided vote:

3. Executive Session: Municipal Court Judicial Appointment Process

Presenter(s): Chris Caso, City Attorney's office

Information Only:

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

The Committee entered Executive Session in regard to Municipal Court Judicial Appointment Process (Pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Open Meeting Act)

Motion made by: Chair McGough

Item passed unanimously:

Item failed unanimously:

Motion Seconded by:

Item passed on a divided vote:

Item failed on a divided vote:

APPROVED BY:

ATTEST:

B. Adam McGough, Chair
Ad Hoc Judicial Nomination Committee

Genesis D. Gavino, Coordinator
Ad Hoc Judicial Nomination Committee