

AN ORDINANCE establishing a Municipal Court of the City of Bellevue, defining jurisdiction and qualifications of the municipal judge.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELLEVUE DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1 - There hereby is established a department of the City of Bellevue to be known as the Municipal Court, which shall be conducted and presided over by a municipal judge who shall be appointed by the City Manager for a term not to exceed two years.

Section 2 - Such municipal judge, at all times during his term in office, shall be possessed of all of the qualifications required by state law for the police judge for cities of the third class having a population of 5,000 or more and, in the event of his becoming disqualified during any term, his office shall be declared vacant by the City Council and a new municipal judge shall be appointed by the City Manager.

Section 3 - Such municipal judge shall have all of the powers and duties granted by state law to a police judge whose functions the municipal judge shall perform. Such municipal judge, in addition to his powers as a justice of the peace, shall have exclusive jurisdiction over all offenses defined by any ordinance of the City, and all other actions brought to enforce or recover any license, penalty or forfeiture declared or given by any such ordinance; and full power to forfeit bail bonds and issue execution thereon; and full power to forfeit cash bail; and full power and authority to hear and determine all causes, civil or criminal, arising under such ordinance, and pronounce judgment in accordance therewith: Provided, that for the violation of a criminal ordinance, no greater punishment shall be imposed than a fine of \$300 or imprisonment not to exceed ninety (90) days, or both such fine and imprisonment. In the trial of actions brought for the violation of any city ordinance, no jury shall be allowed.

Section 4 - All decisions, orders or judgments of such municipal judge shall be subject to review in the Superior Court for King County by writ of review or appeal. The procedure for the commencement and hearing of actions before the municipal judge or, appeal from such orders or judgments, shall be controlled by the procedure provided by the laws of the State of Washington for actions before justices of the peace and police judges of cities of the third class in the State of Washington.

Section 5 - Such municipal judge before entering upon the duties of his office, shall take an oath of office and give a bond to the City in the sum of \$3,000.00 for the faithful performance of his duties, and in addition to his fees or salary as the case may be, as justice of the peace, shall be compensated for his services as municipal judge in the sum of \$100.00 per month.

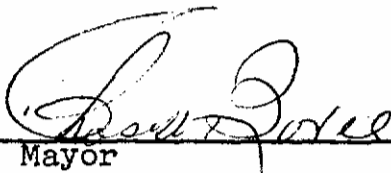
Section 6 - The municipal judge shall establish an account with the City's depository, which account shall be designated as the account of the "Municipal Court of the City of Bellevue", and into which account shall be paid all sums received by the municipal judge or his agents as bail bonds. The municipal judge shall be

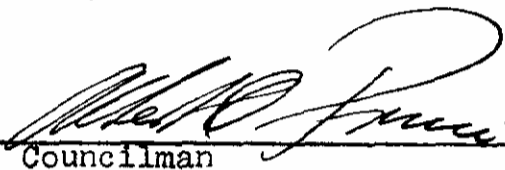
authorized to disburse funds from said account to the City Treasurer or County Treasurer, as the case may be, in the event of forfeiture of bail or to refund the same to the person posting the same with the Municipal Court.

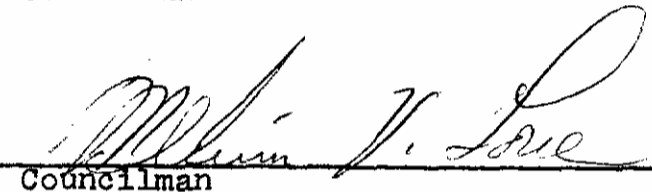
A municipal judge may retain a clerk of the Municipal Court to whom the City shall pay a monthly salary of \$50.00 for services rendered to the City in Municipal Court.

Section 7 - This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force five days after its passage, approval and publication in the manner provided by law.


PASSED by the City Council on the 12th day of January, 1954, and signed in authentication of its passage this 12<sup>th</sup> day of January, 1954.

  
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Mayor

  
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Approved as to form:

  
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City Attorney

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DATE January 27, 1954  
CITY CLERK Helen R. Miller

Attest:

  
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City Clerk

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