

AGENDA ITEM NO. 28

AN ORDINANCE **57555**

REAFFIRMING THE POSITION OF PRESIDING JUDGE OF THE MUNICIPAL COURTS AND PRESCRIBING THE DUTIES OF SUCH POSITION.

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BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

SECTION 1. There is hereby reaffirmed and continued the position of Presiding Judge of the Municipal Courts. The Presiding Judge shall be designated in writing by the City Council and shall serve at the will of the Council.

SECTION 2. The Presiding Judge shall be responsible for the administration of the municipal court system. He may direct the assignment and trial of cases and order the transfer of any cases to or from any court and may order any judge to change benches and preside over any of the municipal courts. Whenever the regular judge of any municipal court is absent or unable to act for any reason, the Presiding Judge shall designate one of the alternate or substitute judges to sit as judge and perform the duties of the absent regular judge. Further, this shall include scheduling of judges and magistrates and being responsible for the time and attendance of judges and magistrates and the decorum of the judiciary in Municipal Courts.

SECTION 3. All policy questions pertaining to the operation of the courts will be determined by the Presiding Judge. He shall be primarily responsible to the City Council for the orderly and efficient operation of the courts and shall recommend to the Council any legislative changes which he deems necessary. The Presiding Judge shall be held accountable for compliance with the provisions of Paragraphs 2 and 3 and he/she shall report to Council at least twice a year regarding the administrative and policy matters enumerated in Paragraphs 2 and 3 above and he/she shall submit additional written and verbal reports upon request of the Council.

SECTION 4. Nothing herein shall be construed as conferring upon the Presiding Judge any powers over the administrative functions of the office of the Clerk of the Municipal Courts or the prosecutors assigned to the courts by the City Attorney, other than such powers as are necessary to insure the orderly and efficient administration of justice and functioning of the judicial process.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 29th day of September, 1983.

Henry Cisneros
MAYOR

ATTEST:

[Signature]

AAA City Clerk.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

[Signature]
City Attorney

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ITEM NO.

SEP 8 1983

MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

DATE:

MOTION BY:

SECONDED BY:

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ORD. NO.

ZONING CASE

RESOL.

PETITION

AVIATION	
BUDGET & RESEARCH	
BUILDING INSPECTIONS	
BUILDING INSPECTIONS-HOUSE NUMBERING	
CITY WATER BOARD	
COMMERCIAL RECORDER	
CONVENTION & VISITORS BUREAU	
CONVENTION FACILITIES	
ECONOMIC & EMPLOYMENT DEVELOPMENT	
EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY	
FINANCE DIRECTOR	
ASSESSOR	
CONTROLLER	
TREASURY DIVISION	
GRANTS SECTION	
INTERNAL AUDIT	
RISK MANAGEMENT	
FIRE CHIEF	
HEMISFAIR PLAZA	
HUMAN RESOURCES & SERVICES	
INFORMATION RESOURCES	
LEGAL-CITY ATTORNEY (1-LUIS GARCIA) 2	2
LIBRARY DIRECTOR	
MARKET SQUARE	
METROPOLITAN HEALTH DISTRICT	
MUNICIPAL COURTS 1	1
PARKS & RECREATION	
PERSONNEL DIRECTOR 1	1
PLANNING	
POLICE CHIEF	
PUBLIC UTILITIES	
PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR	
ENGINEERING DIVISION	
ENGINEERING DIVISION-CENTRAL MAPPING	
WASTEWATER ENGINEERING	
REAL ESTATE DIVISION	
TRAFFIC ENGINEERING DIVISION	
PURCHASING	
ZONING ADMINISTRATION	

	ROLL CALL	AYES	NAYS
MARIA A. BERRIOZABAL PLACE 1		✓	
JOE WEBB PLACE 2		✓	
HELEN DUTMER PLACE 3		✓	
FRANK D. WING PLACE 4		✓	
BERNARDO EURESTE PLACE 5		✓	
BOB THOMPSON PLACE 6		✓	
JOE ALDERETE, JR. PLACE 7	ABSENT		
G.E. "ED" HARRINGTON PLACE 8		✓	
VAN ARCHER PLACE 9		✓	
JAMES C. HASSLOCHER PLACE 10		✓	
HENRY G. CISNEROS PLACE 11 (MAYOR)		2 ✓	

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