

**IN THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI**

**AN ORDINANCE** repealing section 1803., Jackson County Code, 1984, relating to the County Municipal Court, and enacting, in lieu thereof, one new section relating to the same subject.

**ORDINANCE NO. 4502**, February 11, 2013

**INTRODUCED BY** Greg Grounds, County Legislator

WHEREAS, since its inception, the County Municipal Court has seen an increase in caseload such that a modest salary increase for its judge is now warranted; now therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the County Legislature of Jackson County, Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Enacting Clause. Section 1803., Jackson County Code, 1984, is hereby repealed, and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 1803., to read as follows:

1803. Judges.

1803.1 Appointment.

The County Executive may appoint one (1) judge of the County Municipal Court, subject to the disapproval of the County Legislature, according to such procedures as the County Executive may promulgate by Executive Order.

1803.2        Qualifications.

Any judge appointed to the County Municipal Court shall be licensed to practice law in the state of Missouri, shall be a resident of the County, and shall serve for a term of two (2) years but may be removed sooner, with or without cause, by the County Executive. The County Executive may appoint temporary or acting judges in order to handle the work of the court during the disability or absence of a County Municipal judge; said appointment may be made by the County Executive prior to any disability or absence of a County Municipal judge. No temporary or acting judge shall be appointed for a term longer than two (2) years but may be removed sooner, with or without cause, by the County Executive.

1803.3        Limitations.

A judge appointed as a County Municipal Court judge shall not accept or handle cases in his or her practice of law which are inconsistent with his or her duties as a County Municipal Court judge. A judge, upon authorization by the circuit court of the sixteenth judicial circuit, may act as a commissioner to hear in the first instance nonfelony violations of state law involving motor vehicles as provided by local rule.

1803.4.        Compensation.

A judge appointed under this section shall not receive any of the benefits of a Jackson County employee. Compensation of a County Municipal Court judge

shall be [~~thirty-eight~~] forty-eight thousand five hundred dollars (~~[\$38,500.00]~~ 48,500.00) per annum. Each County Municipal Court judge shall devote such time as is necessary to discharge his or her duties. The compensation for a temporary or acting judge shall be established by the County Executive but shall not exceed one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00) per diem.

Effective Date: This Ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its signature by the County Executive.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
Chief Deputy County Counselor

  
County Counselor

I hereby certify that the attached Ordinance, Ordinance No. 4502 introduced on February 11, 2013, was duly passed on February 25, 2013 by the Jackson County Legislature. In the votes thereon were as follows:

Yeas 8

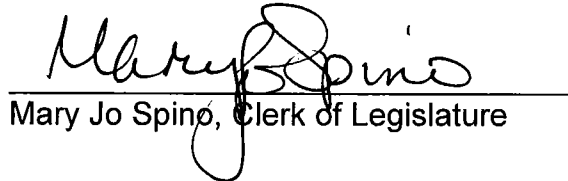
Nays 0

Abstaining 0

Absent 1

This Ordinance is hereby transmitted to the County Executive for his signature.

2/25/13  
Date

  
Mary Jo Spino, Clerk of Legislature

I hereby approve the attached Ordinance No. 4502

2/27/2013  
Date

  
Michael D. Sanders, County Executive

# REQUEST FOR LEGISLATIVE ACTION

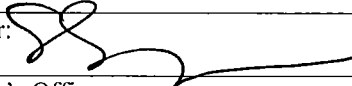
Completed by County Counselor's Office:

~~Res~~ Ord No.: 4502

Sponsor(s): Greg Grounds

Date: Feb. 11, 2013

<p>SUBJECT</p>	<p>Action Requested  <input type="checkbox"/> Resolution  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ordinance</p> <p>Project/Title: <u>An ORDINANCE repealing section 1803., Jackson County code, 1984, relating to the Jackson County Municipal Court, and enacting, in lieu thereof, one section relating to the same subject.</u></p>										
<p>BUDGET INFORMATION  <i>To be completed                  By Requesting                  Department and                  Finance</i></p>	<table border="1" data-bbox="329 554 1203 865"> <tr> <td>Amount authorized by this legislation this fiscal year:</td> <td>\$</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Amount previously authorized this fiscal year:</td> <td>\$</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total amount authorized after this legislative action:</td> <td>\$</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Amount budgeted for this item * (including transfers):</td> <td>\$</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Source of funding (name of fund) and account code number; FROM / TO</td> <td>FROM ACCT  TO ACCT</td> </tr> </table> <p>* If account includes additional funds for other expenses, total budgeted in the account is: \$</p> <p>OTHER FINANCIAL INFORMATION:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No budget impact (no fiscal note required)  <input type="checkbox"/> Term and Supply Contract (funds approved in the annual budget); estimated value and use of contract:                  Department: Estimated Use: \$</p> <p>Prior Year Budget (if applicable):                  Prior Year Actual Amount Spent (if applicable):</p>	Amount authorized by this legislation this fiscal year:	\$	Amount previously authorized this fiscal year:	\$	Total amount authorized after this legislative action:	\$	Amount budgeted for this item * (including transfers):	\$	Source of funding (name of fund) and account code number; FROM / TO	FROM ACCT  TO ACCT
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<p>PRIOR LEGISLATION</p>	<p>Prior ordinances and (date): Ordinance 4398 (03/19/12), Ordinance 4411 (5/14/12)</p> <p>Prior resolutions and (date):</p>										
<p>CONTACT INFORMATION</p>	<p>RLA drafted by (name, title, &amp; phone): Amiee Wenson, Senior Administrative Manager, 816-881-3073</p>										
<p>REQUEST SUMMARY</p>	<p>The Jackson County Municipal Court was established in 2008. Since its inception, the court has seen an increase in caseload -- both in cases filed and an increase in the number of dockets. For the last two years, the gross revenue from the court has been over a million dollars per year.</p> <p>In order to remain competitive in offering compensation for the Municipal Court judge, an increase salary is being proposed. This ordinance would make the required changes to Chapter 18 of the County code to authorize this salary adjustment.</p>										
<p>CLEARANCE</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Tax Clearance Completed (Purchasing &amp; Department)  <input type="checkbox"/> Business License Verified (Purchasing &amp; Department)  <input type="checkbox"/> Chapter 6 Compliance - Affirmative Action/Prevailing Wage (County Auditor's Office)</p>										

ATTACHMENTS		
REVIEW	Department Director:	Date:
	Finance (Budget Approval): <i>If applicable</i>	Date:
	Division Manager: 	Date: 2/7/13
	County Counselor's Office:	Date:

Fiscal Information (to be verified by Budget Office in Finance Department)

- This expenditure was included in the annual budget.
- Funds for this were encumbered from the \_\_\_\_\_ Fund in \_\_\_\_.
- There is a balance otherwise unencumbered to the credit of the appropriation to which the expenditure is chargeable and there is a cash balance otherwise unencumbered in the treasury to the credit of the fund from which payment is to be made each sufficient to provide for the obligation herein authorized.
- Funds sufficient for this expenditure will be/were appropriated by Ordinance #
- Funds sufficient for this appropriation are available from the source indicated below.

Account Number:	Account Title:	Amount Not to Exceed:

- This award is made on a need basis and does not obligate Jackson County to pay any specific amount. The availability of funds for specific purchases will, of necessity, be determined as each using agency places its order.
- This legislative action does not impact the County financially and does not require Finance/Budget approval.