

# **TOWN** *Of* **PARADISE VALLEY**



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## **STAFF REPORT**

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**TO:** Mayor Bien-Willner and Town Council Members

**FROM:** Jill Keimach, Town Manager  
Jeanette Wiesenhofer, Court Director

**DATE:** September 23, 2021

**DEPARTMENT:** Court  
Jeanette Wiesenhofer, 480-404-7020

**AGENDA TITLE:**  
**Appointment of the Presiding Judge and Associate Judges of the Municipal Court**

**RECOMMENDATION:**  
Make the following appointments to the Paradise Valley Municipal Court for the term November 1, 2021 – October 31, 2023:

J. Tyrrell Taber, Presiding Judge  
John L. Auran, Associate Presiding Judge  
Steven A. Cohen, Associate Judge  
Jack Cunningham, Associate Judge  
Charlene D. Jackson, Associate Judge  
Stanley J. Marks, Associate Judge  
Jeffrey R. Timbanard, Jr., Associate Judge  
Terry A. Gould, Associate Judge  
Karen Nagle, Associate Judge  
Linda Lory, Associate Judge

**SUMMARY STATEMENT:**

The Paradise Valley Municipal Court has jurisdiction to hear all criminal misdemeanors, civil traffic offenses, and Town Code violations occurring within the Town limits, as well as jurisdiction over orders of protection, harassment injunctions, and the issuance of summons and arrest warrants within Town limits.

The Court is made up of the Presiding Judge and nine associate judges who all serve on a volunteer basis, accepting no compensation for their service. Each judge is a member of the Arizona Bar Association and has received judicial training.

Court Director, Jeanette Wiesenhofer met with the Town Council on September 9, 2021 in executive session to discuss the performance evaluations and survey results for current judges. Based on the evaluation results, Ms. Wiesenhofer's recommendation is to reappoint the current Presiding Judge and the nine Associate Judges for two-year terms.

**BUDGETARY IMPACT:**

There is no budget impact.

**ATTACHMENT(S):**

- A. Biographical Information
- B. Reappointment Recommendation Slide