

**RESOLUTION NO. R-2023-89**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BASTROP, TEXAS APPROVING APPOINTMENT OF JACOB DANNEN, JD AS ASSOCIATE MUNICIPAL JUDGE, BASTROP MUNICIPAL COURT, CITY OF BASTROP; AND APPROVING A CONTRACT TO PROVIDE SERVICES; ATTACHED AS EXHIBIT A; PROVIDING FOR A REPEALING CLAUSE; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, Section 30.00006 of the Texas Government Code provides that the term of office for municipal judges "must be for a definite term of two or four years."; and

**WHEREAS**, Section §5.02 of the City of Bastrop Home Rule Charter states that the Judge of the Municipal Court "shall be nominated by the Mayor and appointed by the Council"; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 7.01.003(f) of the Bastrop City Code states "each alternate judge shall be appointed for a term of two (2) years; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Bastrop, Texas has determined that it is in the best interest of the City of Bastrop and for the orderly operation of the City of Bastrop Municipal Court to appoint Jacob Dannen, JD as Associate Municipal Judge.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BASTROP, TEXAS:**

**Section 1:** The City hereby appoints, under the authority of §5.02 of the City of Bastrop Home Rule Charter and Section 7.01.003 of the Bastrop City Code, Jacob Dannen, JD to the position of Associate Municipal Judge for a term of two (2) years.

**Section 2:** The City Manager is hereby authorized to execute a contract for Associate Municipal Judge services between the City of Bastrop, Texas and Jacob Dannen, JD, as well as all other necessary documents related to this contract.

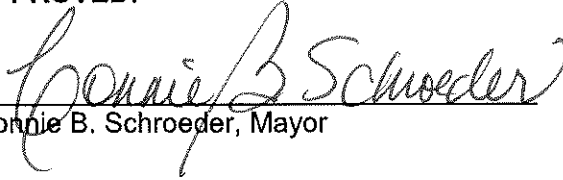
**Section 3:** All orders, ordinances, and resolutions, or parts thereof, which are in conflict or inconsistent with any provision of this Resolution are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict, and the provisions of this Resolution shall be and remain controlling as to the matters resolved herein.

**Section 4:** That this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage, and it is so resolved.



**DULY RESOLVED AND APPROVED** by the City Council of the City of Bastrop,  
Texas this 13<sup>th</sup> day of June 2023.

**APPROVED:**

  
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Connie B. Schroeder, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

  
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Ann Franklin, City Secretary

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

  
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Alan Bojorquez, City Attorney

STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF BASTROP

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AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF BASTROP  
AND  
JACOB W DANNEN

This agreement is effective the 20th day of June, 2023, between the City of Bastrop, acting through its duly elected City Council of the City of Bastrop and Jacob W Dannen (Associate Judge).

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, pursuant to the authority granted to the City Council through the City Charter and the laws of the State of Texas, the City Council of the City of Bastrop has appointed Jacob W Dannen as Associate Municipal Court Judge; and

WHEREAS, the parties desire to enter into a written agreement setting forth all terms, conditions, and obligations of the parties;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and promises, the parties agree as follows:

1. TERM

1.1 The term of this Agreement shall be for two (2) years to run the portion of such unexpired term as may remain at the time of the appointment, unless sooner terminated as provided by the terms of this Agreement.

2. SCOPE OF AGREEMENT

2.1 The purpose of this Agreement is to engage Associate Judge for the express purpose of serving the City of Bastrop, Texas, as the City's Associate Municipal Court Judge.

2.2 Associate Judge shall perform all functions of the Municipal Court Judge of the City of Bastrop, Texas, as set forth in the current or revised Charter of the City of Bastrop as required by the Code of Ordinances of the City of Bastrop, as amended, by applicable State law, as it now exists or may be amended in the future, and the Texas Code of Judicial Conduct.

2.3 The City of Bastrop's regular Municipal Court shall be held at Bastrop Municipal Court located at 104 Grady Tuck Lane, Bastrop, Texas 78602. However, the City of Bastrop reserves the right to designate days of the week, hours, and alternate locations where the Municipal Court may be held in the event that facility should not be available.

- 2.4 The City Council shall have the power to create and establish additional Municipal Courts, with the same or separate jurisdictions, and to appoint an additional Magistrate for each Court so established.
- 2.5 Associate Judge agrees to provide prompt, courteous, efficient, and professional services in the performance of her duties.
- 2.6 Associate Judge shall deal with the administrative services of Municipal Court solely through the Presiding Judge, Municipal Court Clerk or the City Manager.
- 2.7 In the event Associate Judge is unable to act for any reason, the Council may appoint an Alternate Municipal Court Judge to act in the Judge's place.
- 2.8 Associate Judge shall meet with the Presiding Judge, City Attorney, City Manager, Director of Planning and Community Development, City Prosecutor, and the Chief of Police, or such officials' respective designees, on request, to discuss procedures within the Municipal Court.

### **3. SALARY & BENEFITS**

- 3.1 Associate Judge shall be deemed an independent contractor of the City.
- 3.2 The City agrees to pay Associate Judge the following flat rates: one hundred and fifty dollars (\$150) per event (i.e., jail magistrate trips), four hundred dollars (\$400) for each half day Associate Judge conducts court and fifty dollars (\$50) per overnight warrant Associate Judge processes on behalf of the City. The City agrees to pay Associate Judge within 15 business days of receiving an invoice for services received.
- 3.3 Associate Judge shall pay all applicable local, state, federal taxes, including income tax, withholding tax, social security tax, and pension contributions, if any.
- 3.4 The City agrees to pay Associate Judge a daily rate of \$400 and her travel and expenses to attend the Texas Municipal Courts Education Center ("TMCEC") judges training, up to a maximum of three (3) days annually. Associate Judge is required to attend the TMCEC judges training each year during the term of this contract.

### **4. TERMINATION**

- 4.1 Associate Judge may be removed from office for the reasons stated and by the procedures provided for the removal of judges in Section 1-a, Article V, Texas Constitution, or as provided by the Texas Government Code.
- 4.2 Associate Judge may terminate this Agreement at any time, with or without notice.
- 4.3 Associate Judge shall waive all claims for compensation if not claimed within thirty (30) days for the date of the termination of this Agreement.


**5. GENERAL PROVISIONS**

- 5.1 If any provision of this Agreement shall, for any reason, be held to violate any applicable law, the invalidity of such a specific provision of this Agreement shall not be deemed to invalidate any other provisions of this Agreement, which shall remain in full force and effect unless removal of the invalid provisions destroy the legitimate purposes of this Agreement, in which event the parties shall deem this Agreement canceled.
- 5.2 The paragraph headings used in this Agreement are descriptive only and shall have no legal force or effect.
- 5.3 This Agreement represents the entire agreement by and between the parties, except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, and it may not be changed except by written amendment duly executed by all parties.
- 5.4 This Agreement shall be subject to and governed by the laws of the State of Texas. Any and all obligations or payments are due and payable in the City of Bastrop, Bastrop County, Texas.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the City Council of the City of Bastrop, by and through the Mayor, has caused this Agreement to be executed and that upon execution thereof, it shall be deemed the act and deed of the City of Bastrop.

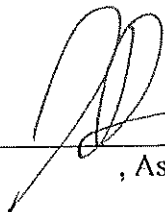
**CITY OF BASTROP, TEXAS**

BY:

 (Dec 28, 2023 14:03 CST)

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Sylvia Carrillo, City Manager

BY:



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, Associate Municipal Court Judge

ATTEST:

*Ann Franklin*

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Ann Franklin, City Secretary