

MEMORANDUM

To:Mayor and City CouncilFrom:Trina Gallien, Municipal Clerk of CourtDate:December 13, 2010Subject:Request for Increase in Compensation for Dunwoody Municipal Court

BACKGROUND

In December 2008, City Council appointed Tony DelCampo and Rick Powell as Judges for the Dunwoody Municipal Court and Tim Wolfe as Judge Pro-Tem; Sherry Boston was appointed as an additional Judge Pro-Tem in September 2009. The compensation for the Judges was set at three hundred dollars (\$300) per session of the Dunwoody Municipal Court. Staff is of the opinion that the Judges have demonstrated commitment and exceptional service to the Dunwoody Municipal Court since it began operations in April 2009. Staff submitted a request for an increase in the rate of compensation for the Judges to three hundred fifty dollars (\$350) per Municipal Court Session in the FY 2011 budget. This increase would be effective January 1, 2011.

FUNDING

Funding for the increase in the compensation is included in the FY 2011 budget.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff respectfully requests that Council approve the request for an increase in compensation for the Dunwoody Municipal Court Judges by adoption of the attached Resolution.

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A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A COMPENSATION INCREASE FOR DUNWOODY MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGES

- **WHEREAS,** the Charter of the City of Dunwoody ("City") grants the city power to establish a Municipal Court for the purpose of adjudicating violations of the Charter, Ordinances, and other violations as provided by law; and
- **WHEREAS,** pursuant to its power under the Charter, the Mayor and Council of the City appointed Judges Antonio Del Campo, Rick Powell, Tim Wolfe and Sherry Boston to serve as Dunwoody Municipal Court Judges; and
- **WHEREAS**, the City Council has previously set the compensation for each judge at three hundred dollars per Session of the Municipal Court; and
- **WHEREAS,** the City Council wishes to authorize an increase in the compensation of the Dunwoody Municipal Court Judges from the current amount to three hundred and fifty dollars (\$350) per Session of Municipal Court.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Dunwoody, Georgia that the City Council hereby authorizes a compensation increase for Dunwoody Municipal Court Judges Antonio Del Campo, Rick Powell, Tim Wolfe and Sherry Boston to be three hundred and fifty dollars (\$350) per Session of the Municipal Court.

SO RESOLVED AND EFFECTIVE this, the 13th day of December, 2010.

Approved:

Ken Wright, Mayor

Attest:

Sharon Lowery, City Clerk

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