
CITY OF TEMPE
REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION**Council Meeting Date: 06/09/2016**
Agenda Item: 5B18

ACTION: Approve the two year appointment of Judge Kevin Kane as Presiding Judge of the Tempe Municipal Court, effective July 8, 2016, and authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement.

FISCAL IMPACT: Sufficient funds have been allocated in the General Fund budget for this appointment.

RECOMMENDATION: Appoint Judge Kevin Kane as Presiding Judge of the Tempe Municipal Court for a two (2) year term beginning July 18, 2016.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The Judicial Advisory Board is responsible for the recruitment and interview process for the position of Presiding Judge of the Tempe Municipal Court. The Council appointed Board members are:

Honorable Patricia Starr – Chairperson
Judge, Maricopa County Superior Court

Todd Allison, Esq.
State Bar of Arizona Member

Paul Friedman, Esq.
State Bar of Arizona Member

Don Calender
Public Member

Judy Aldrich
Public Member

MaryAnne Majestic, Presiding Judge
Ex Officio Member

The Judicial Advisory Board had oversight over the recruitment and interview process for the position of Presiding Judge. The Board screened candidate applications, conducted reference checks, encouraged public input and conducted interviews with those candidates who best met the qualifications of the position. The Judicial Advisory Board came to unanimous consensus in recommending to Mayor and Council that Judge Kevin Kane be considered by Council to be appointed as Presiding Judge of the Tempe Municipal Court.

ATTACHMENTS: Agreement

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