

AN ORDINANCE ADDING PART 2, CHAPTER 1, ARTICLE 6 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WHEELER, TEXAS, ENTITLED "MUNICIPAL COURT"; SECTION 1-22 CREATING THE MUNICIPAL COURT; SECTION 1-23 DEFINING THE JURISDICTION OF SAID COURT; SECTION 1-24 PROVIDING FOR THE APPOINTMENT AND QUALIFICATION OF A JUDGE OF THE MUNICIPAL COURT; SECTION 1-25 PROVIDING FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF THE CITY SECRETARY AS THE EX-OFFICIO CLERK OF THE MUNICIPAL COURT, AND SECTION 1-26 PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION.

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that the Ordinance set forth below would be in the vest interest of the citizens of the City of Wheeler; NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WHEELER THAT THE FOLLOWING ARTICLE BE ADDED TO PART 2, CHAPTER 1, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CITY OF WHEELER:

Art. 6. Municipal Court

"Sec. 1-22. Municipal Court Established.

There is hereby created and established in the City of Wheeler a Court to be known as the "Municipal Court".

Sec. 1-23. Jurisdiction of Municipal Court.

The Municipal Court shall have jurisdiction within the territorial limits of the City of Wheeler in all criminal cases arising under the Ordinances of said City, and shall have concurrent jurisdiction with any Justice of the Peace in any Precinct in which said City is situated in all criminal cases arising under the Criminal Laws of this State in which punishment is by fine only, and where the maximum of such fine may not exceed TWO HUNDRED AND NO/100THS DOLLARS (\$200.00), and arising within the territorial limits of the City of Wheeler.

Sec. 1-24. Appointment and Qualification of Municipal Court Judge.

Such Court shall be presided over by a Judge to be known as the "Judge of the Municipal Court". The Judge of the Municipal Court shall be a resident of Wheeler County, Texas, and shall be appointed by the office of Municipal Judge by vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the members of the City Council. Said Judge when first appointed shall hold his or her term of office corresponding to the unexpired term of the Mayor, and every two (2) years thereafter a Municipal Court Judge shall be appointed for a term of two (2) years. The Municipal Court Judge shall hold office for the term appointed and until a successor has been appointed and qualified.

Sec. 1-25. Clerk of Municipal Court.

The Secretary of the City of Wheeler shall be Ex-Officio Clerk of the Municipal Court, and may appoint a Deputy with the same powers as the Secretary.. Such Clerk shall hold office during his or her term as City Secretary. The Clerk shall keep minutes of the proceedings of said Court, issue all process, and generally perform all the duties of the Clerk of a Court as prescribed by law for a County Clerk in so far as the same may be applicable.

Sec. 1-26. Publication..

The City Secretary is hereby authorized to cause publication of the descriptive caption of this Ordinance as an alternative method provided by law."

AND IT IS SO ORDERED  
Passed by the Council on first reading this 15 day of November, 1982.  
Passed by the Council on second reading this 13 day of December, 1982.

ATTEST:

Louis C. Stas  
Mayor

Mildred Ramsey  
City Secretary