

STATE OF WISCONSIN MILWAUKEE COUNTY VILLAGE OF SHOREWOOD

ORDINANCE NO. 3011A

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SUBSECTION D, "BOND; OATH," OF SECTION 2, "MUNICIPAL JUDGE," OF CHAPTER 31, "COURT, MUNICIPAL," OF THE SHOREWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE, TO ELIMINATE THE BOND REQUIREMENT

WHEREAS, in 2017, the Wisconsin legislature amended Chapter 755 of the Wisconsin Statutes, which sets the bond requirements for municipal judges, and alternatively allowed municipalities to "obtain a dishonesty insurance policy or other appropriate insurance policy that covers the judge, in an amount fixed by the governing body, in lieu of the bond requirement," which was set at \$1,000; and

WHEREAS, because the last municipal judge election occurred in 2016, Shorewood's municipal judge was bonded through the remainder of that term, which expired in April of 2020, and this is the first opportunity to consider the insuring alternative to bonding; and

WHEREAS, the Village has determined that the insurance alternative to bonding will be more cost effective in the long term, and also provide adequate protection as intended by the bonding rule, Shorewood feels that it is an appropriate time to effect the change allowed by the legislature in Chapter 755 as noted above; and

NOW THEREFORE, at a regular meeting of the Village Board of the Village of Shorewood, Milwaukee County, Wisconsin, held on the 20th day of April, 2020, by a favorable vote of the members being present and therefore, said Board does ordain as follows:

SECTION 1

Subsection D, "Bond; oath," of Section 2, "Municipal Judge," of Chapter 31, "Court Municipal," of the General Ordinances of the Village of Shorewood, is hereby amended to read as follows:

- D. Oath; insurance in lieu of bond. The Municipal Judge shall execute and file with the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Milwaukee County the oath prescribed by § 757.02(1), Wis. Stats. Pursuant to § 755.03, Wis. Stats, in lieu of a bond the Village shall obtain and maintain a dishonesty insurance policy or other appropriate insurance policy that covers the municipal judge, in the amount of _____.

SECTION 2

That all Ordinances or parts of Ordinances conflicting with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby to such extent repealed.

SECTION 3

That this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and posting.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Village Board of the Village of Shorewood, Milwaukee County, Wisconsin, this 20th day of April, 2020.



Allison Rozek, Village President

Countersigned:



Sara Bruckman, CMC/WCMC, Village Clerk