

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-112

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PEORIA, MARICOPA COUNTY, ARIZONA ESTABLISHING TERMS AND APPOINTING ONE OR MORE ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING OFFICERS PURSUANT TO A.R.S. § 9-500.12 AND VARIOUS CITY CODES TO HEAR, RECOMMEND AND DECIDE MATTERS ARISING UNDER THE CITY'S PERSONNEL, TAX, LICENSING, AND LAND USE CODES.

WHEREAS, pursuant to A.R.S. § 9-500.12, and the City's personnel, tax, licensing, and land use codes, the City must have one or more administrative hearing officers;

WHEREAS, City Code Section 2-20 specifies that the Mayor and Council by Resolution may designate one or more administrative hearing officers for such purposes; and

WHEREAS, as a quasi-judicial officer such persons shall be appointed for a defined term.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Peoria, Maricopa County, Arizona as follows:

SECTION 1. That the following Administrative Hearing Officers are appointed for a term beginning on January 1, 2024 and ending on December 31, 2025.

SECTION 2. That the City of Peoria City Council hereby appoints the following Administrative Hearing Officers to hear matters arising under A.R.S. § 9-500.12 (land use dedications, exactions, and excessive reduction in property values) and the City's Utility Codes.

- A. Harold J. Merkow
- B. Doug Jorden

SECTION 3. That the City of Peoria City Council hereby appoints the following Administrative Hearing Officer to hear matters arising under the City's Tax and Licensing Codes and Procurement Code.

- A. Harold J. Merkow

SECTION 4. That the City of Peoria City Council hereby appoints the following Administrative Hearing Officers to hear matters arising under the City's Personnel Code.

- A. Harold J. Merkow
- B. Stephanie R. Leach

SECTION 5. That the City of Peoria City Council hereby appoints the following Administrative Hearing Officers to hear matters arising under the City's Land Use, Zoning, and related codes.

- A. Harold J. Merkow
- B. Doug Jorden

SECTION 6. That the City Council directs the City Manager in cooperation with the City Attorney to prepare and enter into a contract with the appointed Administrative Hearing Officers for the period January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2025.

SECTION 7. That the Hearing Officers appointed pursuant to this resolution shall conduct all hearings pursuant to A.R.S. § 9-500.12, City's Tax and Licensing Codes, Personnel, and Utilities Codes during regular business hours of the City on regular business days of the City. All hearings should be conducted at the Peoria Municipal Complex. Hearings only may be held during non-regular business hours and at other locations upon the express written agreement of both the City and the party requesting the hearing.

SECTION 8. That such Hearing Officers may be dismissed or terminated for good cause in the same manner as Municipal Court Judges.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Peoria, Arizona, this 12 day of December, 2023.

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Jason Beck, Mayor

Date Signed

ATTEST:

Agnes Goodwine , City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Emily Jurmu, City Attorney