

RESOLUTION NO. 10-_____

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BILLINGS,
MONTANA, CITY COUNCIL, CREATING AN AD-HOC
CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE TO INTERVIEW AND
MAKE A RECOMMENDATION ON AN INTERIM
MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE**

WHEREAS, Municipal Court Judge Mary Jane Knisely has been elected to the District Court effective January 3, 2011, leaving a vacancy in the Municipal Judge's position; and

WHEREAS, a majority of at least six members of the Mayor and City Council must appoint an interim Municipal Court Judge by January 3, 2011; and

WHEREAS, the Council is desirous of having advice from members of the legal community, the public and the staff in making such an appointment; and

WHEREAS, BMCC 2-224 provides for Council appointment by resolution of ad hoc Council advisory committees as needed.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BILLINGS,
MONTANA, CITY COUNCIL AS FOLLOWS:**

1. **Ad-Hoc Committee Creation:** There is hereby created a Council Ad Hoc Municipal Judicial Nominating Committee to recommend to the Council a nominee for the interim Municipal Court position;
2. **Membership:** The Committee shall consist of the following members, to be appointed by a majority of the Mayor and City Council:
 - a. Two representatives of the City Council;
 - b. Two attorneys;
 - c. Two members of the public with knowledge of legal matters;
 - d. A representative of the City Attorney's Office;
 - e. A representative of the Public Defender's Office;
3. **Purpose:** The Committee shall be responsible for the following:
 - a. Interviewing all individuals who are qualified for the interim Municipal Court Judge position and apply by December 10, 2010; and
 - b. Making a recommendation no later than December 17, 2010, of a Municipal Judge nominee to the City Council for the Council's approval.
4. **Duration:** The Ad Hoc Municipal Judicial Nominating Committee shall serve until it makes a recommendation to the City Council.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Billings,
Montana, this 22nd day of November, 2010.

THE CITY OF BILLINGS

BY: _____
Thomas W. Hanel, MAYOR

ATTEST:

BY: _____
Cari Martin, City Clerk