

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR RESOLUTION NO. 070084, AS AMENDED

Directing the City Manager to work with the Court En Banc of the Sixteenth Judicial Circuit Court of Missouri Kansas City Municipal Division, the City Prosecutor's Office, neighborhood groups and other justice system partners to develop plans for the implementation and operation of a community court supporting intensive supervised probation services for all divisions of the Court.

WHEREAS, Community Court emphasizes strict monitoring, community service and access to intensive rehabilitative services addressing the underlying cause of many repeat offenders, problems such as homelessness, drug and alcohol dependencies, and under-employment /joblessness; and

WHEREAS, restorative justice emphasizes repairing the harm caused by criminal behavior and paying back to the individual and society for the wrong; and

WHEREAS, the need for intensive rehabilitative probation services, particularly in response to the growing drug and alcohol addiction problem in our City is well documented and is needed for an effective community court system; and

WHEREAS, the Judges of the Kansas City Municipal Court and the City Council recognize the need for a program of intensive supervised probation services, increased staff to provide such services and monitor probationers and a sufficient number of judges to further the mission of the Court as a 'Community Court'; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF KANSAS CITY:

Section 1. That the City Manager is hereby directed to establish, in cooperation with the Court En Banc of the Sixteenth Judicial Circuit Court of Missouri, Kansas City Municipal Division, the City Prosecutor's Office, neighborhood groups and other justice system partners as deemed appropriate, a plan for:

- developing a community court with intensive supervision of probationers most at risk and determining how supervised probation is supported by the city's current correctional institute;
- assessing the need for expanded correctional capacities in the form of a regional municipal jail;
- evaluating the need for the proper number of judges to adequately support the community court plan.

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Section 2. The City Manager is hereby directed to provide a report to the Neighborhood Development and Housing Committee within thirty (30) days of adoption of this resolution so that the Council may give appropriate consideration to the plan for the 2007-2008 Budget.

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