## **RESOLUTION 2023 - 221**

A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF A CHIEF JUDGE TO THE MUNICIPAL COURT FOR THE CITY OF POWDER SPRINGS; APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF A LEAD SOLICITOR TO THE MUNICIPAL COURT; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, Section 4.11 of the Powder Springs City Charter provides that its Municipal Court shall be presided over by a chief judge and such part-time, full-time, or stand-by judges as shall be provided by ordinance and sets forth the qualifications for such judges; and

WHEREAS, Section 6-9 of the Code of Ordinances, City of Powder Springs, Georgia authorizes the Mayor and Council of the City of Powder Springs to appoint a chief judge and one of more judges to preside over all or certain kinds of cases in the interest of the efficient operation of the court; and

WHEREAS, Section 6-9 of the Code of Ordinances, City of Powder Springs, Georgia authorizes the Mayor and Council of the City of Powder Springs to appoint one or more city solicitors to prosecute cases in Municipal Court, which includes court known as code enforcement or environmental court, and sets forth the qualifications of such solicitors; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council previously appointed H. Luke Mayes as Chief Judge and Randall Bentley as lead Solicitor, whose terms expire December 31, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the City of Powder Springs solicited and received a proposal for Chief Judge and a proposal for lead Solicitor for the term beginning January 1, 2024; and

WHEREAS following review of proposals and interviews of candidates, the review team recommended the appointment of Doug Kidd as Chief Judge and Adam Rozen as lead Solicitor for the Municipal Court for the City of Powder Springs; and

WHEREAS the City finds that Doug Kidd meets the qualifications to serve as Chief Judge and Adam Rozen meets the qualifications to serve as lead Solicitor and it desires to accept the recommendation to appoint said candidates.

**NOW THEREFORE,** be it hereby resolved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Powder Springs as follows:

Doug Kidd is hereby appointed as Chief Judge for the Municipal Court of the City of Powder Springs for a term beginning January 1, 2024, and the Mayor is authorized to execute an agreement with the Chief Judge, subject to review by the City Attorney.

Adam Rozen will be appointed as lead Solicitor for the Municipal Court of the City of Powder Springs for a term beginning January 1, 2024, and the Mayor is authorized to execute an agreement with the lead Solicitor, subject to review by the City Attorney.

The Resolution shall be effective upon adoption.

**SO RESOLVED** this 4<sup>th</sup> day of December 2023.

Albert Thurman, Mayor

Henry Lust, Council Member

Doris Dawkins, Council Member

Dwayne Green, Council Member

Patrick Bordelon, Council Member

Patricia Wisdom, Council Member

Attest:

Kelly Axt, City Clerk