

CHAPTER 15 – MUNICIPAL COURT

Sec. 15-7. Municipal Court; Court Enhancement Fund.

(a) The Presiding Judge of the Municipal Court upon written notice to the Mayor, Council and Finance Director may institute a Court Enhancement Fund, which shall be designated the “Peoria Court Enhancement Fund” (hereinafter “PCEF”).

(b) PCEF revenues collected in accordance with this section shall be used by the Municipal Court to enhance court service levels in the areas of records management, case processing, technology and technology applications and security. The purpose of PCEF is to provide supplemental funding to enhance Municipal Court services. PCEF shall not replace existing levels of funding provided through the budget process of the City as approved by the Mayor and Council through the City’s annual budget.

(c) The PCEF assessment shall be imposed by the Court upon each charge or violation cited within the jurisdiction of the Municipal Court. The PCEF assessment shall not be subject to other statutory surcharges or preferences.

(d) The amount of the PCEF assessment applicable to each charge or violation shall not exceed the sum of twenty dollars (\$20.00). The specific assessment shall be published on an annual basis in an administrative order issued by the Presiding Judge of the Municipal Court and copies filed with the City Attorney, City Clerk and Finance Director.

(e) PCEF revenues may also include the base funds and any PCEF assessment upon the following items:

- (1) fees payable to the City as its portion of the defensive driving school;
- (2) bond or surety forfeitures;
- (3) default fees;
- (4) warrant fees;
- (5) fees for compliance with court orders,
- (6) diversion fees payable to the court.

(f) The Presiding Judge of the Municipal Court and the Finance Director shall provide an annual report to the Mayor and Council on the uses of and impacts of PCEF during the past fiscal year.

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