

**TOWN OF PALISADE, COLORADO
ORDINANCE NO. 2024-03**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF PALISADE, COLORADO,
AMENDING CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE VI OF THE PALISADE MUNICIPAL
CODE TO MAKE THE PALISADE MUNICIPAL COURT A “COURT OF
RECORD” PURSUANT TO C.R.S. 13-10-102(3).**

WHEREAS, the Town of Palisade (“Palisade” or the “Town”) is a Colorado municipality organized pursuant to Title 31 of the Colorado Revised Statutes and with the authority set forth therein; and

WHEREAS, the Town has adopted regulations related to its municipal court in Article VI of Chapter 2 of the Palisade Municipal Code (the “Code”); and

WHEREAS, Article 10 of Title 13 of the Colorado Revised Statutes pertains to municipal courts and Section 13-10-102(3) states:

“qualified municipal court of record” means a municipal court established by, and operating in conformity with, either local charter or ordinances containing provisions requiring the keeping of a verbatim record of the proceedings and evidence at trials by either electric devices or stenographic means, and requiring as a qualification for the office of judge of such court that he has been admitted to, and is currently licensed in, the practice of law in Colorado; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees upon the advice of the Town Municipal Judge desires that the Town Municipal Court be a “court of record” and wishes to amend the Code accordingly.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF PALISADE, COLORADO THAT:

Section 1. The foregoing recitals are incorporated herein as if set forth in full.

Section 2. Section 2-141 is hereby amended as follows, with underlined text added:

Sec. 2-141. - Appointment of Municipal Judge.

The Municipal Court of the Town shall be presided over by a Municipal Judge, appointed for a term of two (2) years by resolution of the Board of Trustees. Additional Judges as may be needed to transact the business of the Municipal Court may be appointed by the Board of Trustees for such terms as necessary. In order for a person to be qualified for the office of Municipal Judge, such person shall be admitted to and be currently licensed in the practice of law in the State.

Section 3. Section 2-144 is hereby enacted to read as follows:


Sec. 2-144. – Qualified court of record.

The Municipal Court shall keep a verbatim record of the proceedings and evidence at trials by either electronic devices or stenographic means. The Municipal Court thus shall be a qualified Municipal Court of record, pursuant to the provisions of Section 13-10-102(3), C.R.S.

Section 4. The existing Section 2-144 “Original Jurisdiction”, and all subsequent Sections in Article VI shall be renumbered to accommodate the above enacted Section.

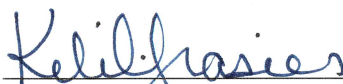
INTRODUCED, READ, PASSED, APPROVED AND ORDERED PUBLISHED BY TITLE, at the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Town of Palisade, Colorado held on July 9, 2024.

TOWN OF PALISADE, COLORADO

By: 

Greg Mikolai, Mayor

ATTEST:



Keli Frasier, Town Clerk

