

**City Council Proposed Budget Changes Form (AMENDMENTS)****Fiscal Year 2025 - Due Monday, August 12, 2024 (end of day)****Council member name:** **BOB CAMPBELL****Short Title:** DEFUND MUNICIPAL COURT PASS / SHELTER COURT PROGRAM / DEFUNDING OF PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR POSITION**Please describe the request and community benefit**

PASS ENABLES A SEPARATE AND UNEQUAL SYSTEM OF JUSTICE. WHILE ITS HARD TO ARGUE AGAINST MEASURES THAT HELP DEFENDANTS OF LIMITED MEANS NAVIGATE THE JUSTICE SYSTEM, MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGES TAKE THIS MUCH FURTHER - A SOCIAL EXPERIMENT THAT ELIMINATES ACCOUNTABILITY AND MONITORING OF DEFENDANTS WHO CONTINUALLY COMMIT CRIMES UPON MISSOULA CITIZENS- WITH IMPUNITY. PASS IS COMPLETELY VOLUNTARY - DEFENDANTS TAKE PART IN AS LITTLE OR AS MUCH OF THE PROGRAM AS THEY CHOOSE. AT THE SAME TIME MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGES ELIMINATED MISDEMEANOR PROBATION AND THE COMPLIANCE MONITORING THAT CAME WITH IT. ADDITIONALLY, JUDGES REPEATEDLY DISMISS CASES OF THOSE WITH DEFERRED SENTENCES WHO HAVE NOT COMPLETED THE CONDITIONS IMPOSED BY THE JUDGES THEMSELVES. RISING AMOUNT OF CASEWORK IN THE CITY ATTORNEY'S, AS WELL AS CHRONIC REPEAT OFFENDERS HAVING TO GO INTO THE TRANSFERRED TO THE JUSTICE SYSTEM IN THE COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE FOR EFFECTIVE INTERVENTION, DEMONSTRATE THIS PROGRAM'S ABSOLUTE FAILURE.

Please prioritize/rank this request in relation to the total number of requests you've submitted (ex. Rank 2 of 4)**3 OF 8****Does your request involve increasing staffing? (How many FTEs?)****Requested budget amount****(\$255,000) APPROX****Proposed funding (check one)**

	Increase taxes (only available for general fund requests AND must verify if there are available mills to levy)
	Increase Park District Assessments (must be Park eligible expenditure)
	Increase Road District Assessments (must be Road eligible expenditure)
	Reduce Fund Balance (to Approved Policy Level)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Y	Re-Appropriation/Reduce appropriation elsewhere

*If re-appropriation please note department budget from which to reduce appropriation***MUNI COURT**

Is this proposed for one time funding or ongoing? (Please check one)

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Y	One-time
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