# MUNICIPAL COURT MEMORANDUM #3-2024

**DATE:** May 6, 2024

**TO:** Honorable Mayor Meredith Leighty and City Council Members

THROUGH: Heather Geyer, City Manager

FROM: Amanda Bailhache, Presiding Municipal Judge

**SUBJECT:** Municipal Court Triannual Update

### **PURPOSE**

To provide City Council with an update on the Municipal Court.

## **BACKGROUND**

# **Court Operations**

 Municipal Court continues to hold all court sessions in person. They occur five days a month. Participants can request to appear virtually on a case-by-case basis.

- To improve service to Spanish speakers, the Municipal Court now provides Spanish interpreters twice a month instead of once. Additionally, three interpreters are present rather than two.
- There has been a noticeable increase in filing tickets with the Municipal Court from the Northglenn Police Department in 2024. Compared to 2023, January filings were up 58%, February 56% and March 39%.
- The Northglenn Juvenile Community Service Program continues to be held two Sundays a month. Community Service Coordinators Sarah Skarie and Eddie Blackwell still run the program.
- Probation Officer Amanda Rice's caseload is continuing to grow with supervising juveniles and adults post-conviction and sentencing. Rice has also started doing pre-trial supervision and pre-sentence investigation reports.

# **BUDGET/TIME IMPLICATIONS**

There are no financial or time impacts to the City.

### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

This item is for informational purposes only.

#### STAFF REFERENCE

If Council Members have any questions, please contact Amanda Bailhache, Presiding Municipal Judge, at abailhache@northglenn.org or 303.450.8703.