

**CITY OF LAS VEGAS, NEW MEXICO**  
**Ordinance No. 21-01**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND** the Code of the City of Las Vegas by amending the court fees collected by the Municipal Court in Section 20-13(A). This Ordinance is enacted pursuant to Sections 2.02 of the City of Las Vegas Municipal Charter, and is an exercise of the City's home rule powers.

**BE IT ENACTED** by the Governing Body of the City of Las Vegas as follows:

**Section 1.** The Code of the City of Las Vegas, Section 20-13(A) is hereby amended to change the "court fee" of twenty dollars (\$20.00) to forty dollars (\$40.00) to read as follows:

20-13(A) Court Fee. The Municipal Court shall collect forty dollars (\$40.00) as and for a court fee from any person or entity filing a complaint for violation of any City ordinance except that no such fee shall be collected from the City Attorney for the City of Las Vegas, a municipal code enforcement officer, a municipal Fire Department employee acting in their role as such an employee, a campus security officer acting in their role as such an officer, or a full-time salaried City of Las Vegas, county or state law enforcement officer, when the complaint is filed on behalf of a governmental entity. The Municipal Court may grant free process to any private party upon a showing of indigence. The Municipal Court may deny free process if it finds that the complaint, on its face, fails to sufficiently state a cause of action.

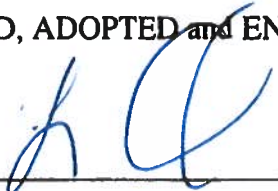
**Section 2.** For each \$40.00 court fee, \$20.00 shall specifically go to the City's general fund, \$15.00 shall specifically go to the City funds used for public safety purposes, and \$5.00 shall specifically go to the City funds marked for the Municipal Court.

**Section 3.** Full Force and Effect. Except as specifically amended above, Section 20-13 shall remain in full force and effect.

**Section 4.** Severability. The provisions of this ordinance are declared to be severable, and if any portion of this ordinance, for any reason, is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion of this ordinance.

**Section 5.** Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective upon the execution by the Mayor and the affirmative vote of the majority of the Governing Body.

PASSED, ADOPTED and ENACTED this 10<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2021.

  
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Mayor Louie A. Trujillo

ATTEST:

Reviewed and approved as to legal sufficiency only:

  
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Casandra Fresquez, City Clerk

  
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Scott Aaron, City Attorney