Introduced by \_\_\_\_\_\_
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Ordinance No. \_\_\_\_\_ Council Bill No. \_\_\_\_\_ B 75-23

## **AN ORDINANCE**

amending Chapter 15 of the City Code as it relates to sessions of the municipal court; and fixing the time when this ordinance shall become effective.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Chapter 15 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia, Missouri, is hereby amended as follows:

Material to be deleted in strikeout; material to be added underlined.

Sec. 15-5. Sessions.

The <u>days and hours of the</u> municipal court shall be <u>set by</u>-open every day except Saturday, Sunday and legal holidays; provided, however, that the municipal judge-shall have the authority to cancel municipal court for a date certain by giving proper notice to the court personnel, the city prosecutor, and heads of departments of the city, when the judge determines that the judicial business on such date will be slight and that rescheduling cases will create no hardship on any party. The municipal court shall provide a schedule of operations to the city council, city manager, city prosecutor, and chief of police to include the days the municipal court is closed for holidays or operational need. The municipal judge shall have the authority to extend court, set a special docket at a time different than general operations, and cancel municipal court by giving proper notice to interested parties. Public notice of the hours of operation and any such sessions shall be posted on the city's website.

SECTION 2. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

PASSED this \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Mayor and Presiding Officer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Counselor