

City of Franklin, Tennessee FY 2017 Operating Budget Request

Court

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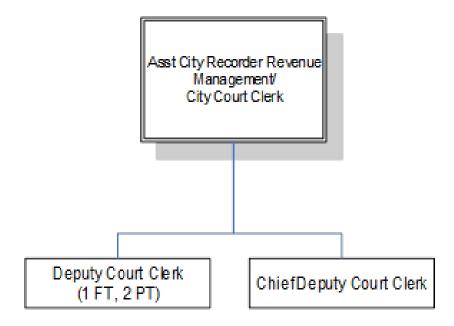


Purpose of Department

Our mission is to effectively and accurately process city ordinance violations allowing the Court to handle cases in the most efficient manner possible; to create and sustain customer oriented quality service; and, promote public confidence in our Court system.



Organization Chart





Base Budget Request: Personnel

In recent years, the Court has been staffed by a mix of full and part time employees providing the full time effect of 3 clerks for the 5 day Court week. During 2015, with the reduction of hours by one of our part timers, we were able to cross train a member of the Revenue Management team to utilize as "on call" support for the Court. This gave us the flexibility to bring our staffing level up to 4 Court clerks on an as needed, "hour by hour" basis. We have found this flexibility to vastly improve our service level options during the Tuesday and Thursday Court sessions. For 2017, we will continue this effective mix of full time, part time and on call staffing with no aggregate increase in hours.



Base Budget Request: Operations

There are no significant changes projected for Court operations allowing a modest \$3,580 increase in operating expenditures for the FY 2017 Budget Year.



Summary

2016 was a year of settling in to new surroundings and offices after the relocation of the court offices, the courtroom venue and, for the first time in 27 years, a new City Court Judge in 2015. Judge Deana Hood continue to serve the City as she is in her second year as Franklin City Court Judge.

We look forward to further opportunities to serve the City in 2017.