

TITLE 3

MUNICIPAL COURT

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CHAPTER 1

CITY COURT

SECTION

- 3-101. Schedule of costs.
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3-101. Schedule of costs. The city judge is hereby authorized to impose upon persons convicted of violating the ordinances of the City of Maryville the following court costs:

(1) For violating any of the provisions to title 15 of the Maryville Municipal Code, "Motor Vehicles, Traffic and Parking," or any other ordinance or regulation of the City of Maryville regulating motor vehicles and traffic, the sum of forty-six dollars (\$46.00); provided, however, such court costs shall not be imposed upon persons answering parking citations unless the clerk of the city court has issued a summons in accordance with § 15-704(3) of the Maryville Municipal Code.

(2) For violating any other provision of the Maryville Municipal Code or any other ordinance, regulation or common law offense of the City of Maryville, the sum of fifty-six dollars (\$56.00).

(3) For certain violations, as provided for by the municipal judge, an administrative fee may be attached in lieu of fine and cost. The purpose of the "First Offender Program" being a diversion from adjudication for a period defined by the municipal judge, the "First Offenders Fee" being the sum of ten dollars (\$10.00).

(4) Contempt of court in municipal court shall be punishable by a fine in the amount of fifty dollars (\$50.00) or less to be determined in the discretion of the court. (1999 Code, § 3-101)

3-102. Alternative sentencing. The city judge is hereby authorized to impose upon persons convicted of violating the ordinances of the City of Maryville, and who have shown proof of indigency by way of affidavit, an alternative to cash payment of fines, penalties, and costs.

(1) Upon conviction, a person may make application to the court for alternative sentencing by way of community service projects or other means of relief as may be deemed appropriate by the city judge.

(2) Such persons shall provide pertinent information to the court by way of an affidavit of indigency upon oath or affirmation.

(3) Upon approval by the municipal court, referral is made to the chief of

police who schedules community service work to the extent that the individual's physical condition shall permit.

(4) The chief of police shall file with the court a report stating that the number of hours worked has satisfied the court's order based on an hourly rate equivalent to the prevailing minimum wage as prescribed by the Fair Labor Standards Act, being 29 U.S.C. §§ 201 *et seq.* (1999 Code, § 3-102, modified)

CHAPTER 2

COURT ADMINISTRATION

SECTION

3-201. Failure to appear.

3-202. Disturbance of any proceedings.

3-201. Failure to appear. Any person who fails to appear in city court to answer to a summons or citation for the violation of any ordinance or provision of this code shall be guilty of a civil offense punishable under the general penalty clause of this code. (1999 Code, § 3-201)

3-202. Disturbance of any proceedings. It shall be unlawful for any person to create any improper disturbance of any trial before the city court by making loud or unusual noises, by using profane or blasphemous language, or by any unduly distracting conduct whatsoever and such offense shall be punishable under the general penalty clause of this code. (1999 Code, § 3-202)