3.80.250 Court enhancement fund.

A. There is created a court enhancement fund, which shall be used exclusively to enhance the technological, operational and security capabilities of the municipal court, including, but not limited to, the operation of the judicial collection program.

B. Pursuant to MCC 3.80.050 and A.R.S. § 22-404(E), the court enhancement fund may be funded by the assessment of the following fees:

1. *Security Fee.* A fee may be assessed to cover the costs of providing, staffing, servicing, and maintaining magnetic, electronic, or other security devices, and such other costs associated with or incidental to providing a court security system for the benefit of employees and the public. The security fee shall not exceed five percent of the base fine or civil sanction imposed by the court.

2. *Resource Protection Fee.* A resource protection fee may be assessed to cover administrative costs incurred as a result of the unnecessary expenditure of otherwise available resources on account of unreasonable delay, prolongation or duplication occasioned by litigants. The resource protection fee shall be in an amount of not more than actual costs involved, not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) per event, and may be assessed against litigants and/or their attorneys, but shall not be assessed against the state or any attorney appearing on behalf of the state. This fee shall not exceed actual costs involved and is intended to include, without limitation, the following:

a. In the case of a plea to the court on the day of a scheduled jury trial, the fees may include all jury related costs including but not limited to (i) fees paid to jurors who actually appeared for the jury trial, and (ii) mailing costs incurred by the court to summon the jurors for that trial;

b. In the case of a plea to the court on the calendar call day which falls within the week of the scheduled jury trial, the fees shall be limited to the actual cost of the court to summon the jurors for that case.

C. Court enhancement fees shall be deposited in a separate agency account for the court enhancement fund and shall only be used for the budgeted purposes as authorized by the presiding judge. [Ord. 16-09 § 1; Res. 16-27; Code 2004 § 5-62.]

The Maricopa City Code is current through Ordinance 23-05, passed January 17, 2023.

Disclaimer: The city clerk's office has the official version of the Maricopa City Code. Users should contact the city clerk's office for ordinances passed subsequent to the ordinance cited above.

City Website: www.maricopa-az.gov City Telephone: (520) 568-9098 Code Publishing Company