



**CITY OF NOVI CITY COUNCIL
MARCH 10, 2025**

SUBJECT: Approval of a resolution to increase the marriage ceremony fee from \$50 to \$100.

SUBMITTING DEPARTMENT: City Clerk

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Per state law, a mayor is authorized to solemnize a marriage in the county in which they serve. It further states, "If a mayor of a city solemnizes a marriage, the mayor shall charge and collect a fee to be determined by the council of that city, which shall be paid to the city treasurer and deposited in the general fund of the city at the end of the month." The City Council approved a resolution on June 3, 2024, that set the fee at \$50 for the Mayor to solemnize a marriage. Due to the frequency of requests and increased staff time dedicated to arranging ceremonies, it is recommended that the fee for a marriage ceremony be increased to \$100.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approval of a resolution to increase the marriage ceremony fee from \$50 to \$100.

CITY OF NOVI
COUNTY OF OAKLAND, MICHIGAN

RESOLUTION TO INCREASE MARRIAGE CEREMONY FEE

Minutes of a Meeting of the City Council of the City of Novi, County of Oakland, Michigan, held in the City Hall of said City on March 10, 2025 at 7 o'clock P.M. Prevailing Eastern Time.

PRESENT: Councilmembers _____

ABSENT: Councilmembers _____

The following preamble and Resolution were offered by Councilmember _____ and supported by Councilmember _____.

RECITALS:

WHEREAS, MCL 551.7(3) authorizes the mayor of a city to solemnize a marriage in the County in which they serve; and

WHEREAS, MCL 551.7(3) states, "If a mayor of a city solemnizes a marriage, the mayor shall charge and collect a fee to be determined by the council of that city, which shall be paid to the city treasurer and deposited in the general fund of the city at the end of the month"; and

WHEREAS, on June 3, 2024, the City of Novi set a fee of \$50,00 (Fifty Dollars) for the Mayor to perform a marriage; and

WHEREAS, due to the frequency of requests and increased staff time dedicated to arranging ceremonies, it is recommended that the fee for a marriage ceremony be increased to \$100; and

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the Mayor and the City Council of the City of Novi, do hereby designate a fee of \$100 to be charged for the performance of a marriage by the Mayor and remitted to the City Treasurer to be deposited in the General Fund.

AYES:

NAYS:

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

Cortney Hanson, City Clerk

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the City Council of the City of Novi, County of Oakland, and State of Michigan, at a regular meeting held this 10th day of March 2025, and that public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with Act No. 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, and that the minutes of said meeting have been kept and made available to the public as required by said Act.

Cortney Hanson, City Clerk
City of Novi