## SUBJECT:

PREPARED BY: Jamie Newman, Deputy Clerk DATE: February 9, 1998

REQUESTED BY: Ken Jacobus, City Attorney

FOR AGENDA OF: February 23, 1998

## SUMMARY:

The city attorney has contacted the clerk's office and requested that the council consider the proposed ordinance.

The ordinance amends WMC Chapter 2.32. Mr. Jacobus indicated that the reasons for the amendments are as follows:

WMC 2.32.010 is simply to clean up the language, which presently refers to both "city" and "municipal" attorney.

WMC 2.32.020 simply conforms the section to reality. The city attorney does not simply advise the council and other officers, but broadly assists the city in legal matters. Also, in minor collections and criminal prosecutions, the city can most economically be represented by a city employee or collection agent, rather than using the services of the city attorney, which I understand is actually taking place.

FISCAL IMPACT: \_X\_No \_\_Yes, amount requested: \$ Fund:

## **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Introduce the ordinance and schedule for public hearing on March 9, 1998, with public hearing on March 23, 1998.

Reviewed by: SARAH PALIN, Mayor

Attachments: Proposed ordinance