

CHAPTER II

PENALTIES; CONSTRUCTION.

SECTION 2.00 (Violations). Subdivision 1. The common council may prescribe as punishment for violation of any city ordinance a penalty not to exceed the penalty for a misdemeanor under state law.

Subd. 2. Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of this charter for which no punishment is provided herein, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be punished as provided by state law.

SECTION 2.01. (Construction of provisions). Subdivision 1. No law of this state contravening the provisions of this charter shall be considered as repealing, amending or modifying the same, unless such purpose be expressly set forth in such law. Any such appeal, amendment, or modification of any provision of this charter shall not affect any other such provision.

Subd. 2. (Severability). Every provision of this charter shall be severable from every other provision. If any such provision shall be invalid or unenforceable or the application of such provision be invalid or unenforceable as to certain persons or circumstances, the validity or enforceability of any other provision shall not be affected.

Subd. 3. In construing this charter, words and phrases in the masculine gender include the feminine and shall not indicate any bias as to sex.

Subd. 4. Unless clearly in conflict with definitions or other provisions of this charter or otherwise clearly inapplicable, the definitions and rules of construction contained in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 645 and other Minnesota statutes or case law shall apply to this charter. (Enacted by ordinance, effective August 24, 1996).

SECTION 2.02. Revision. Subdivision I. This code is printed in loose-leaf form. The city attorney shall periodically prepare and print supplements to this code to keep it up to date by the insertion of revised or additional pages. The supplements shall incorporate the amendments or additions to the code adopted pursuant to law.

Subd. 2. The city attorney, in preparing charter supplements, shall not alter the sense, meaning, or effect of any amendment hereto, but may:

- (1) Renumber sections or subdivisions and parts of sections or subdivisions, rearrange sections or subdivisions, and combine or divide sections or subdivisions into other sections or other subdivisions, or both;
- (2) Change the wording of headnotes to agree with contents therein;

(3) Change reference numbers to agree with renumbered chapters, sections or subdivisions;

(4) Substitute the proper section, chapter, or subdivision numbers for the term "this charter," "the preceding section," and the like;

(5) Substitute figures for written words and vice versa;

(6) Correct misspelled words;

(7) Correct manifest grammatical and clerical errors, including punctuation; and

(8) Change gender and capitalization for the purpose of uniformity.

Subd. 3. The City Attorney shall make a record of all revisions made in accordance with this section.

(Enacted by Ordinance #3110, July 22, 1997)