

An Ordinance pursuant to Minnesota Statutes § 410.12, subd. 7, amending Charter Section 6.03.1 of the Saint Paul City Charter to provide the Saint Paul City Council with the authority to enact an ordinance that imposes civil penalties for violations of city ordinances.

The Council of the City of Saint Paul does Ordain:

Section 1

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes § 410.12, subd. 7, on _____, 2018, the Saint Paul Charter Commission recommended to the City of Saint Paul that certain charter amendments, as more fully stated below, be made by ordinance. Public notice has been given, and a public hearing has been held according to law. The Council of Saint Paul, by unanimous vote, hereby amends Charter Section 6.03.1 as follows:

Section 2

Sec. 6.03.1. - Legislative ordinances.

Subdivision 1. Every act of the council which defines, licenses, regulates, suppresses, prevents or prohibits any act, business or person, grants or modifies any franchise, imposes a civil penalty or punishment or is in any way an exercise of legislative powers, shall be done by legislative ordinance. Except as otherwise provided in this Charter, such ordinances shall require an affirmative vote of at least four (4) members of the council.

Subdivision 2. The council shall have full power and authority to establish, enforce, alter, amend or repeal a procedure by ordinance to impose civil penalties for each violation of a city ordinance. This procedure must provide an opportunity to be heard by a neutral party.

Section 3

This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force ninety (90) days following its passage, approval and publication.