

1 An Ordinance amending Saint Paul Legislative Code Chapter 18 to give authority to the  
2 Legislative Hearing Officer to hear appeals regarding water bills, fees and other charges  
3 imposed under the Water Code.

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5 THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAINT PAUL DOES ORDAIN:

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7 Section 1.

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9 That chapter 18 of Saint Paul Legislative Code is hereby amended as follows:

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11 **Chapter 18. – Legislative Hearing Officer**

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13 Sec. 18.01 – Legislative hearing officer.

14 In order to hear and decide appeals of orders, decisions or determinations  
15 made by the enforcement officers relative to the enforcement of health, housing,  
16 building or fire codes contained in the Saint Paul Legislative Code, and in order to  
17 hear appeals and make determinations relative to any violation, invoice, fee, or  
18 shutoff imposed under the water code, safe pedestrian crossing areas under  
19 section 156.05, and newsracks under chapter 131 of the Saint Paul Legislative  
20 Code, there shall be and is hereby created a legislative hearing officer. The  
21 legislative hearing officer shall be a city employee appointed by the president of  
22 the city council. The legislative hearing officer shall have the authority to hear  
23 appeals to orders, decisions or determinations of the enforcement officers or  
24 others and make recommendations to the city council or the Board of Water  
25 Commissioners. The hearing officer shall not have the power to grant waivers of  
26 the Minnesota State Building Code. All matters, orders, decisions,  
27 recommendations, and determinations of the hearing officer shall be forwarded to  
28 the city council or the Board of Water Commissioners in resolution form within  
29 ten (10) days of the hearing officer's actions. The city council or Board of Water  
30 Commissioners shall have the authority to approve, modify, reverse, revoke,  
31 wholly or partly, the hearing officer's orders, decisions, recommendations or  
32 determinations and shall make such order, decision or determination as ought to  
33 be made. All matters, orders, decisions and determinations of the hearing officer,  
34 being recommendations to the city council, are not subject to judicial review.

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36 Section 2.

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38 All other sections of Chapter 18 shall remain unchanged.

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40 Section 3.

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42 This ordinance shall take effect and be in force thirty (30) days following its passage,  
43 approval and publication.