## **Code Section**

## Chapter 18. – Legislative Hearing Officer

Sec. 18.01 – Legislative hearing officer.

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

## Reasons for change

Codify the authority of the Legislative Hearing Officer to hear appeals and make recommendations to the Board on water related issues.