



## Legislation Text

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Amending Chapter 43 of the Saint Paul Legislative Code to increase the City's annual vacant building registration fee from one thousand one hundred dollars (\$1,100) to one thousand four hundred forty dollars (\$1,440).

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

### Section 1

Chapter 43.03 of the Saint Paul Legislative Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 43.03. - Vacant building registration.

(a) The owner shall register with the enforcement officer no later than thirty (30) days after any building in the city becomes a vacant building, as defined in section 43.02(7).

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(k) Vacant building fees:

(1) The owner of a vacant building shall pay an annual registration fee of ~~one thousand one hundred dollars (\$1,100.00)~~ one thousand four hundred and forty dollars (\$1,440.00) each year the building remains a vacant building. The registration fee is intended to at least partially recoup, and shall be reasonably related to the administrative costs for registering and processing the vacant building owner registration form and for the costs of the city in monitoring the vacant building site.

(2) The first annual fee shall be paid no later than thirty (30) days after the building becomes vacant. If the fee is not paid within thirty (30) days of being due, the owner shall be subject to prosecution as prescribed in section 43.05

(3) The fee shall be paid in full prior to the issuance of any building permits, with the exception of a demolition permit.

(4) All delinquent fees shall be paid by the owner prior to any transfer of an ownership interest in any vacant building. If the fees are not paid prior to any transfer, the new owner shall pay the annual fee no later than thirty (30) days after the transfer of ownership and subsequent annual fees shall be due on the original anniversary date.

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### Section 2

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